



RCR CRISTELLARIA

This Italian crystal brand is extending its tableware offer with items for serving and tasting dishes – four new lines of plates and bowls – a flat, soup, dessert and consommé featuring styles from refined and elegant to simple and minimalist. Medici (pictured) is a classic line with traditional decor for stylish, refined table settings; Galassia is Scandinavia-inspired featuring millions of bubbles swirling around; Sunbeam features feathery linear cuts for timeless elegance; and D'o, a line from celebrity chef Davide Oldani, delivers minimal design. In addition, RCR's patented crystal Luxion will now be used for all plates and tableware, including these four new lines. Unlike other materials, Luxion is safe and 100 per cent recyclable; and plates in Luxion stay bright and clear after dishwasher use, with a transparency that makes food look tastier. They also keep food at its serving temperature and withstand sudden temperature changes; plus they don't scratch or stain.

www.rcrcrystal.com

NAMBÉ

Until recently Nambé created beautiful crystal designs courtesy of a partnership with Waterford Rogaska. Now, however, the company has transitioned the designing and manufacturing of Nambé Crystal and Glassware category back to Nambé and will launch its initial collection at the upcoming New York Tabletop Show in April. "Casual glassware is a category that is poised for growth and Nambé will be introducing a comprehensive glassware collection spanning bowls, serveware and giftware items this April," says Lou Scala, chief marketing officer. "Additionally, we'll be introducing a new barware series to complement the giftware collection later in the year." Currently, Nambé offers select barware pieces including decanters, hiballs and dofs as well as some giftware pieces such as the heart bowl and butterfly bowl. Most recently, Nambé has introduced glassware – a decanter and tumblers – as part of its Skye Dinnerware Collection (pictured), designed by European product designer Robin Levien.

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VIDIVI

Italian glassware manufacturer Vetriere Riunite Spa delivers a variety of glass pieces via its Vidivi brand and for this year has launched a variety of new collections and pieces both for retail and hospitality. Thanks to its delicate grooving, the Accademia collection, which includes tumblers and bowls, is a modern interpretation of the traditional grinding effect. The new Barena collection (pictured), with its spotlight on the HoReCa sector, delivers a sinuous and irregular almost scalloped design, the thick rim defining its bowls and trays, making it perfect for an impressive buffet. The new Dolomiti collection features a cracked glass effect inspired by a frozen lake. The 4-in-1 Rialto cake plate is an innovative and multi-tasking product with two completely different uses: the reversible plate presents on one side a 32cm cake plate but if you turn it upside down, you can use it as a 5-part dish. It boasts helpful handles, making the plate easier to use. Presented in a gift box, it also comes with a bowl and a spoon that matches so it can be used as a sauce boat. The factory also offers complete customisation for its glassware, including advanced decorative techniques to enhance the colour with iridescent and sparkling nuances; spray-on pantone colours; customised colour logos; and even use of pure gold and platinum varnishes that are food-safe.

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Everyday

Used in everything from drinkware to serveware to dinnerware, everyday glassware is designed for daily use. With increasing retail demand for casual glassware, multi-functional pieces featuring simple yet innovative designs are tabletop prolific.



KINTO

Japanese design brand Kinto unveiled its new collection Hibi ('hee bee') at Ambiente 2016. The word Hibi in Japanese has multiple meanings rooted in everyday life. As its name indicates, it is an effortlessly refined and versatile series of glass tumblers that can be used and enjoyed everyday. The thickness of the glass and the stable form are ideal for frequent use. The slightly narrowing base naturally fits your fingers and is comfortable to grip. High-quality clear glass exudes clarity, while smokey-coloured variations evoke tranquility and the silhouette becomes accentuated by drinks poured inside. They can be stacked.

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