

# THE CREATIVE CULT

Look out for these 10 exciting international interior brands during the upcoming Dubai Design Week and Downtown Design

## ^ Neri & Hu, China

Neri & Hu's Shanghai studio is the birthplace of a trans-global success story; from ground breaking architectural projects in China to collaborating with some of the world's leading European design brands. Their Yanzi collection (shown here) for Artemide demonstrates their East-West appeal with a blend of tradition and innovation.

**RETAILS** Lighting and furniture  
**AT** [www.neriandhu.com](http://www.neriandhu.com)



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## < cc-tapis, France

This brand is the product of a modern creative process. It takes expertise where it lives globally, supports artisanal communities, breaks the boundaries of what is the norm and promotes strong values of authenticity, high quality, and the benefits of longevity in design.

**RETAILS** Handmade contemporary rugs  
**AT** [www.cc-tapis.com](http://www.cc-tapis.com)



## < Zaha Hadid Design, UK

The late, great Zaha lives on; immortalised not only by her legacy of unmistakable architecture, but by the many collectible lines that have been spawned by her creativity. Zaha Hadid Design encompasses everything from furniture and lighting to accessories and room fragrance, that all bear the hallmark of her organic, futuristic design.

**RETAILS** Decoratives, tableware, furniture and lighting  
**AT** [www.zaha-hadid-design.com](http://www.zaha-hadid-design.com)

## Sophie > Mallebranche, France

Materiality is the development of techniques that allow us to employ complex processes to sustainably produce aesthetically pure design. Sophie Mallebranche's engineered metal material for the home is made from fine wires individually coloured and woven together to create a vivid, durable and versatile fabric.

**RETAILS** Metal fabric  
**AT** [sophiemallebranche.com](http://sophiemallebranche.com)



Best described as everyday industrial design, this Barcelona-based brand combines historic and contemporary design to stimulate and enrich the end user. Everyday design objects from statement seating for the home to flexible lighting solutions for the office make their pieces utterly relevant and timeless.

**RETAILS** Lighting and furniture  
**AT** [www.santacole.com](http://www.santacole.com)

## ^ Santa Cole, Spain



## > Quoker, Netherlands

The brand's beautifully designed faucets filter water instantly from the kitchen tap and dispense them as hot water, cold water and even carbonated water without the toxins from plastic bottles and the resulting waste.



## > Bomma, Czech Republic

Modernising heritage to create beautifully relevant pieces that resonate with the contemporary home is a key trend embodied by Bomma. Their precise cutting technology, exceptionally clear crystal and oversized mouth-blown glass tinted in warm, welcoming shades works in both a classic and contemporary setting.

**RETAILS** Lighting and tableware  
**AT** [www.bomma.cz](http://www.bomma.cz)





✓ **Axor**, Germany

Sustainable innovation. As wellness becomes more of a priority in our lives, the bathroom has become a key space in the home. Luxury brand Axor collaborates with some of the world's most iconic designers from Antonio Citterio to Philippe Starck to create beautiful hardware that champions smart technology with sleek and sensual design.

**RETAILS** Bath products  
**AT** [www.hansgrohe-int.com](http://www.hansgrohe-int.com)



^ **Black Tie**, Italy

Luxury and personality—they don't always go hand in hand when it comes to furniture design. This is where Black Tie comes into its own. Their pieces are colourful without being gaudy, elegant without being staid, and with their refined attention to detail and high quality materials, an excellent long term investment for the home.

**RETAILS** Furniture and home textiles  
**AT** [www.blacktiesofas.it](http://www.blacktiesofas.it)



< **Alias**, Italy

Al fresco finesse. If ever there was an excuse to avoid rattan, then Alias is it. The increasing sophistication of outdoor furniture is testament to the fact that your alfresco living should be as stylish as your interior. The lightness of their furniture, the subtle sympathetic shades and material innovation mean that they deliver that Italian hallmark of style with absolute ease.

**RETAILS** A wide furniture range  
**AT** [www.alias.design](http://www.alias.design)

*Dubai Design Week is from November 13 to 18  
Downtown Design is from November 14 to 17*