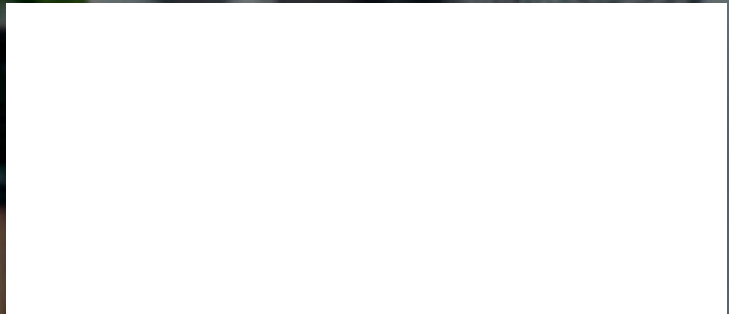


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Art Reimagined!

Now is the time to embark on a new era of home design.



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THE KITCHEN AND BATH get infused with these exciting new product launches celebrating artistic styling. Now is the time to raise the bar in home design with fixtures and fittings that excel in function with a unique flair. From Italian chef-inspired kitchen faucets to hardware refined with gorgeous crystals, it's all about reimagining the space with a keen eye toward art.

While luxury fixtures used to be an exception, they feel essential as we continue to work and entertain from home. The kitchen is the center stage of the house, so investing in a theatrical kitchen faucet makes sense. That leads to the trend of double sinks — one to cook and a second to prep — and multi-tasking entertaining centers that have become the epicenter of socialization.

The right fixtures can influence the entire direction of the design, channeling a look that is refined without fuss and makes a bold statement. Carefully chosen artistic elements ground design by creating a classic look with an imaginative spirit. Fixtures and fittings focusing on form and function add instant visual

interest and invite the eye to linger and appreciate intriguing styles.

Kitchen Inspiration

Embodying the best of Italian artistry, Gessi's new 316 Kitchen faucets give even the smallest details meticulous attention and care. Every faucet is a sculptural masterpiece, celebrating the glories of elegant lines and bold curves. The 316 Kitchen Collection is comprised of *Mechanica* models clad in woven metal textures and *Flessa* models with a smooth, sleek base. Both models offer all the functionality any chef could dream of.

Swiveling spouts and pull-out sprayers provide an exceptional range of movement and feature a push button to easily switch between a forceful jet spray and a softer aerated flow. The collection is crafted from stainless steel and available in a variety of beautiful finishes, including chrome, matte black and brushed variations of nickel, steel, copper, brass and warm bronze. And the hoses are available in standard black, grey, white or orange to add a pop of color.

Gem-Inspired Detailing

The new Serie 230 collection from Isenberg is a true gem of brilliant design. Each faucet is enhanced with beautiful emerald-cut detailing on the handles and at the base of the spout; adding a hint of glamour infuses a sense of elegance and luxury into the bathroom. The multi-dimensional

surface easily catches the light for a bit of sparkle while also providing a pleasing and substantive tactile experience.

The Serie 230 faucet has a gracefully arched spout that flows like the water it conveys and pairs perfectly with sleek lever handles. Each piece is finished according to the brand's exacting standards in a choice of chrome, matte black or satin brass.

Double the Possibilities

Ruvati leads the way in Workstation Sinks with the addition of new styles and sizes to its popular Dual-Tier Workstation Series of kitchen sinks. A farmhouse look, under-mount installations and a double-bowl design provide a greater range of style and size options. Centered around an integrated two-track system that allows accessories to easily slide into place as needed, a low divider neatly defines the two basins while still accommodating the largest of pots and pans.

These workstation sinks can fit into any kitchen, from a compact 33 inches to its newest 57 inches. Built-in tracks allow the included accessories to be whisked into place. A solid hardwood cutting board spans the sink to serve as additional counter space and then flips over to do double-duty as a serving tray. A stainless-steel, folding drying rack makes a handy place for clean dishes to drip dry over the 10-inch-deep basin with a sloped bottom and offset drain.



Gessi's 316 Kitchen Collection faucets



Isenberg's gem-inspired Serie 230 faucet

High Standards

The familiar axiom to “never settle for less” certainly holds true when it comes to selecting fine hardware for the home. As a respected brand built on exceptional quality and craftsmanship, Grandeur Hardware offers an exquisite line of traditional and vintage-inspired interior sets, entry sets and deadbolts. They come standard with premium features that many competitors consider optional.

Its concealed screw mechanism (CSM) is a perfect example. CSM is now a standard feature for the brand’s compatible hardware lines, which is impressive when compared to others in the industry. As an added benefit, all CSM sets with levers also include a 28-degree latch, which requires less motion to unlatch. This small-yet-significant detail makes Grandeur Hardware lever sets a smart choice



Carre door hardware from Grandeur



Nero PVD kitchen sink from HamatUSA



Ruvati's Dual-Tier Workstation kitchen sink

for multigenerational households, where they will be used by people of varying ages and abilities.

Color and Functionality

HamatUSA pairs two of today’s hottest kitchen trends into one amazing look with its new Nero PVD Collection of kitchen sinks in black stainless steel. A dramatic yet versatile choice, black stainless steel goes well with nearly every color of cabinet and countertop.

The manufacturer fully equips its workstation sinks with a built-in sliding platform system and a selection of interchangeable accessories, including a beautiful hardwood cutting board and a multipurpose roll-up mat, wire bottom grid and basket strainer in coordinating black PVD. Constructed from PVD-plated T-304 stainless steel, each sink is handmade and features 10 mm radius corners, scored bottoms and a luxurious satin finish.

At nearly 32 inches long, it is generously sized to accommodate the demands of both dinner parties and daily living. With its compact 15-inch

by 15-inch basin, the Nero Prep/Bar workstation bar sink packs impressive practicality for any kitchen or entertainment area. An intermediate-sized, complimentary sink at 24.5 inches completes the collection. All models include spacious 9-inch-deep basins and are made for under-mount installations.

Now is the time to embark on a new era of home design. The exceptional fixtures and fittings highlighted here define the look of today’s on-trend homes, with interiors celebrating art and focus on “forever pieces” in the most important rooms. The goal, as always, is a harmonious blend of function and finesse. These sustainable and fashion-forward products are sure to add a spark of inspiration for upcoming design projects. ♪

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- Gessi
www.gessi.com
- Ruvati
www.ruvati.com
- Isenberg Bath Corp.
www.isenbergfaucets.com
- Grandeur Hardware
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- HamatUSA
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