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Product category

Portable lamp

Production process

The shade is spun and the ceramic base is molded, and covered with a glaze that gives it the crackled pattern.

Environment

Indoor

Materials

Anodized aluminium or brass shade, ceramic with crackle glazed base

Colours

Blue green & Brass
Beige grey & Bronzed

Dimensions

W: 21cm/8.3in, D: 16cm/6.3in, H: 16cm/6.3in.

Design year

2022

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Craftsmanship takes centre stage in Raku, a portable lamp with a handmade ceramic base.

Named after the traditional Japanese pottery technique, Raku is a compact lamp with considerable presence. Drawing inspiration from the age-old art form, the lamp features a hand-sculpted ceramic base with a crackle glaze that varies slightly in each piece, serving as a reminder to enjoy the imperfections.

When designing Raku, Sebastian Herkner was guided by the selection of materials. As an advocate of craftsmanship and its value, Herkner choose two sleek metal variations for the lamp's rounded shade to complement the more poetic ceramic base. Along the shade's rim, subtle perforated detailing allows light to softly spread into its surroundings. A dimmable function can alter the intensity of the light depending on the mood.

"I wanted to design a small and portable lamp with precious materials and an inviting form," says Herkner of the inspiration behind Raku. "Its sophisticated shape and material composition will address the needs of interior architects when they're designing restaurants, but it will also create beautiful ambience in a private home"

Raku is available in two colour combinations that reflect the way it bridges Japanese and Danish Design. It comes in Blue Green & Brass or Beige Grey & Bronzed.

German designer Sebastian Herkner channels his appreciation of authentic materials and artisanal skills by transposing contemporary objects into cultural artefacts. After graduating from the University of Art and Design in Offenbach, Herkner embarked on an apprenticeship with Stella McCartney in London. This experience triggered a fascination with form, structure, texture, material and effects that is evident in all of his work, down to the smallest details.



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