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About bisonhome

Serving up fine Australian design.

Bisonhome designs celebrate simple beauty. We value products which have soul and functionality at their core.

Bison was founded in 1997 by Creative Director Brian Tunks.

Brian attended school in Scandinavia and subsequently trained in ancient history and archaeology at the Australian National University. Combined with a love of Asian ceramics this fusion of traditions resulted in the pared-back aesthetic with simple lines and pure colours that characterizes bison design classics.

Brian's post-graduate training included

regular archaeological digs in the Middle East excavating a Hellenistic site on the Euphrates River. Speaking of ancient inspiration, our bison logo draws its origin back to the elegant simplicity of Bronze Age cave paintings in Altamira in Spain.

Fast forward some 26 years and bison has evolved from a purely ceramic company to bisonhome, a lifestyle range with ceramics and glass at its heart. Over the years, bisonhome products have become Australian design classics and are a staple item in many homes around the world. To produce them, our artisans draw on knowledge and inspiration which can be traced back over the millennia; they use the finest materials; and they produce pieces in a huge range of colours and textures.

Bisonhome proudly collaborates and produces with glass and ceramics studios in Thailand, Indonesia and India. All pieces in our collections are designed by Brian in Canberra. We know you will enjoy our beautifully crafted range.



Our aim is to create beautiful, yet functional, pieces for everyday life. Drawing on the same principles as the artisans who created the Bronze Age cave paintings in Altamira, our bisonhome logo evolved to mirror those deceptively simple forms.



bison ceramics

Hand crafted and glazed pieces guaranteed to make any event even tastier.

Our Classic range doesn't seek to reinvent the wheel... simply to reinterpret it.

Each piece is designed, along with our rich colour palette, based on a personal experience or reflection. Our milk bottles stem from handle-less jugs at my grandmother's home. The mixing sets from baking and the battle over who got the spoon versus the bowl. Cucina platters originate from outdoor summer dining in Sweden with an endless supply of seafood. Our fågel pitchers are based on geese and their spouts reflect the indolent way they hold their heads as they walk.

Each memory resonates with us and in the same manner we try to convey it to others. Who says good design can't nourish the soul?

CARE FOR BISON CERAMICS

All bison ceramics are made from high quality stoneware. Our products are food-safe and can be used in the microwave and dishwasher. Although stoneware is tough, all ceramics are breakable and will eventually show signs of wear and tear. You can greatly extend the life and beauty of your bison by taking some simple precautions.

Exposing ceramics to rapid extreme temperature changes can reduce their life. If you warm your bison ceramics in the oven, be careful that a sudden cold shock doesn't cause them to crack. Avoid plunging an extremely hot item into cold conditions or visa versa. Avoid putting a very hot dish directly onto a cold bench-top. Gradual warming and cooling is best.

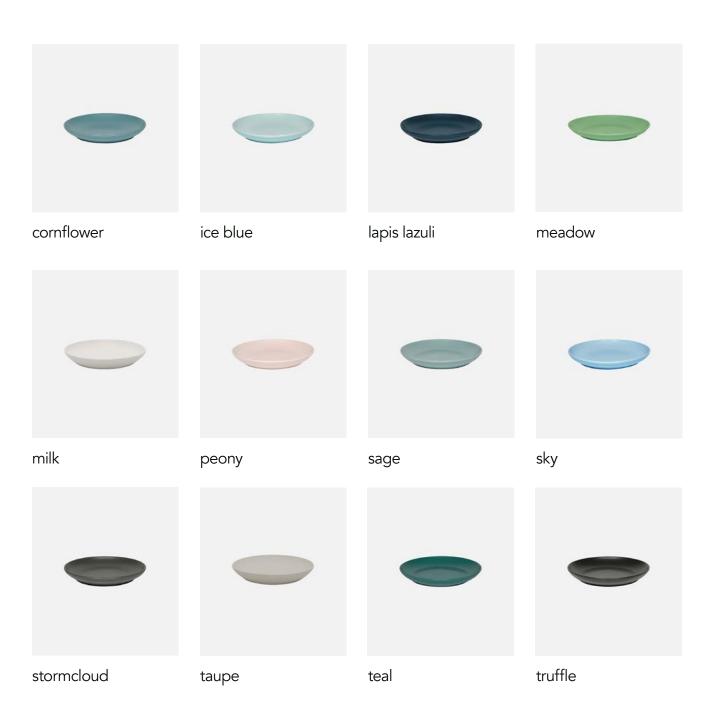
Repeated contact with hard edges might cause marking or chipping. We suggest you avoid striking the edges of ceramic items and try not to let them vibrate against each other in the dishwasher.

All bison glazes are lead-free and food-safe, but cracks can provide a haven for bacteria and using crazed or unglazed ceramics for food is not recommended. Bison glazes are highly stain resistant. Stubborn marks can usually be removed with ceramic cook-top cleaner.

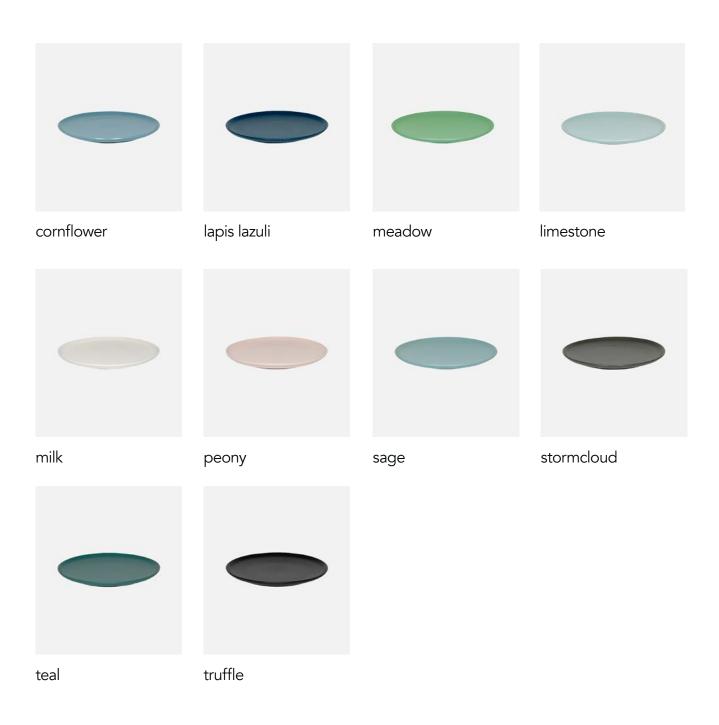
When placing objects on furniture you should take care to avoid scratching. We lightly sand the foot ring after firing by using fine sandpaper if necessary.

Platters & Plates

Dinnerware Side Plate 3 × 19.5 cm

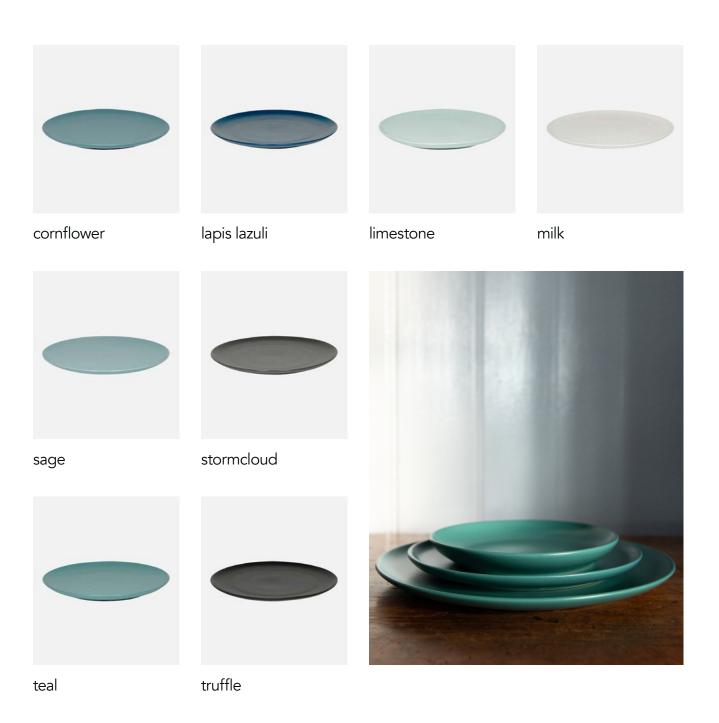


Dinnerware Entree Plate 2 × 24.5 cm



Platters & Plates

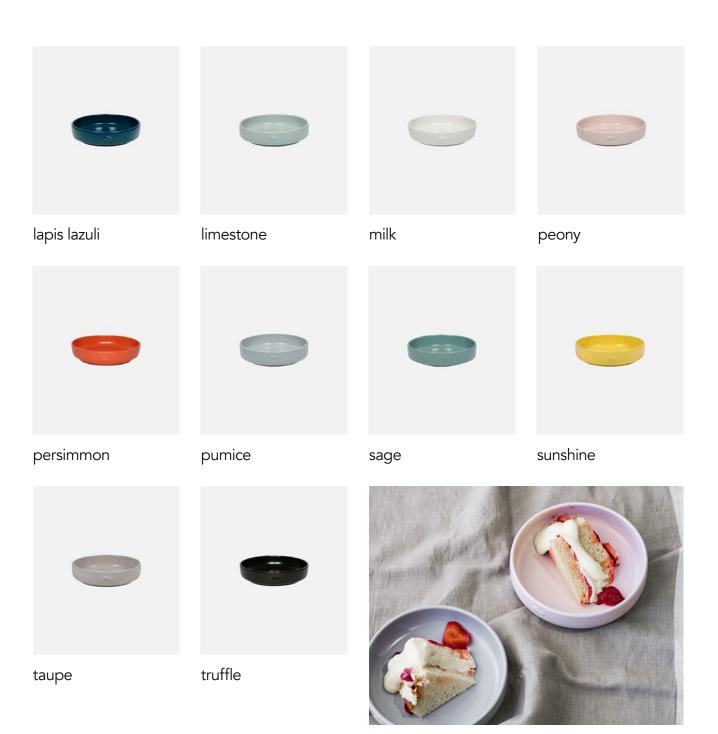
Dinnerware Main Plate 2.5 × 31 cm



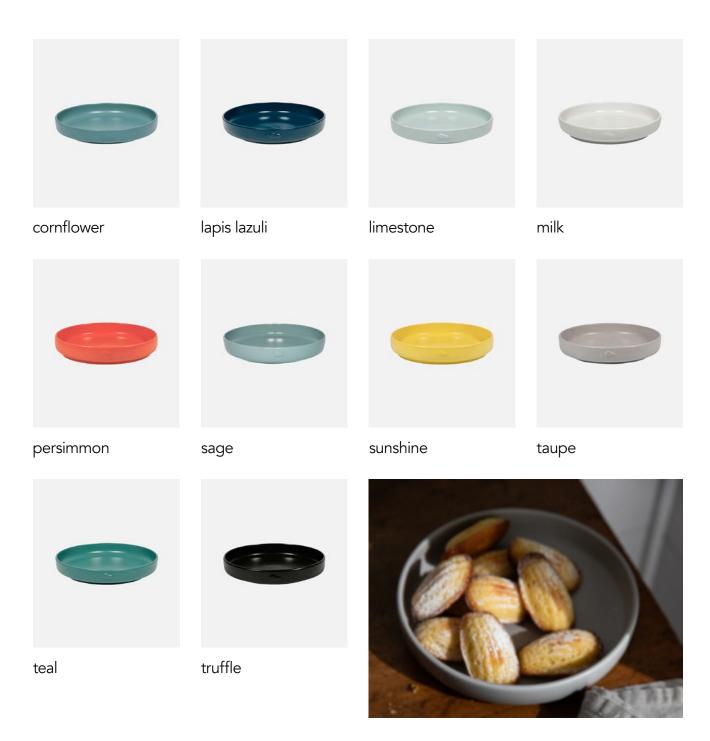


Platters & Plates

Cucina Collection Small 4 × 17 cm



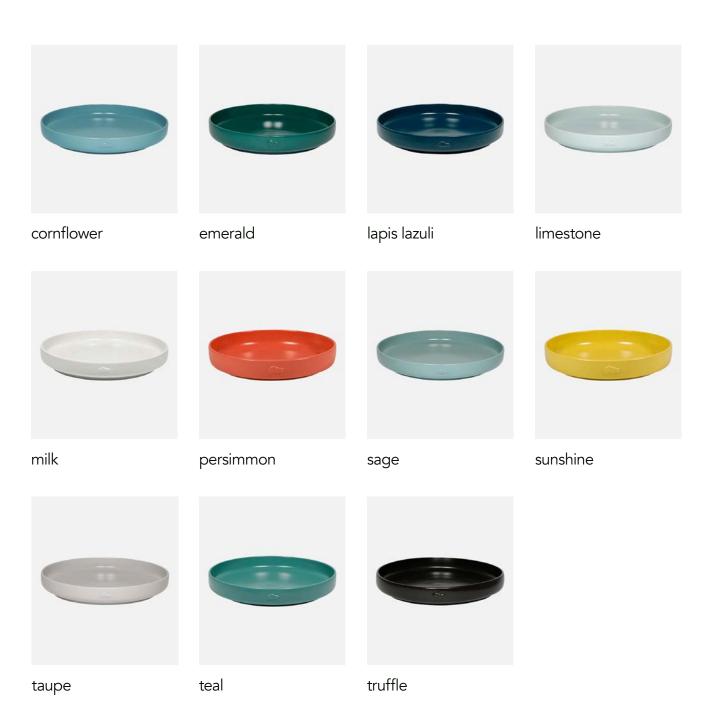
Cucina Collection Serve 4 × 24 cm



Platters & Plates

Cucina Collection

Platter 5 × 31 cm



Cucina Small - sage Cucina Serve - sunshine Cucina Platter - lapis lazuli

Bowls

Condiment Bowl

 3×9.5 cm

cornflower	emerald	ice blue	lapis lazuli	limestone
meadow	melon	midnight	milk	mushroom
peony	persimmon	pumice	sage	sky
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stormcloud	sunshine	taupe	teal	truffle







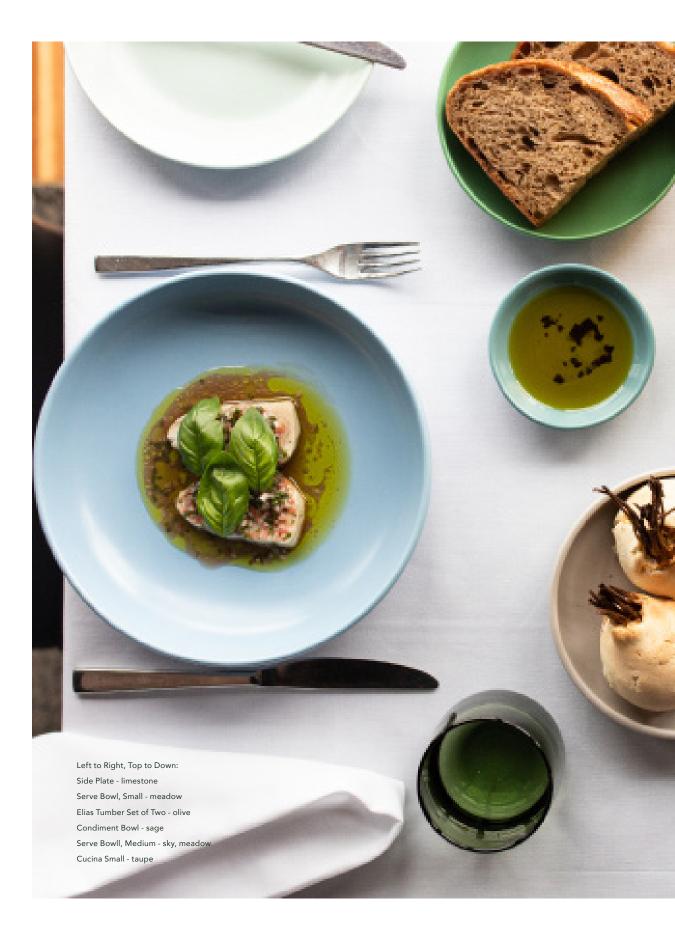
Bowls

Edo Bowl Small 6.5 × 14 cm

cornflower	emerald	ice blue	lapis lazuli	limestone
meadow	melon	midnight	milk	peony
persimmon	sage	sky	stormcloud	sunshine
taupe	teal	truffle		

Edo Bowl Medium 8 × 17 cm

cornflower	emerald	ice blue	lapis lazuli	limestone
meadow	melon	midnight	milk	peony
persimmon	sage	sky	stormcloud	sunshine
taupe	teal	truffle		

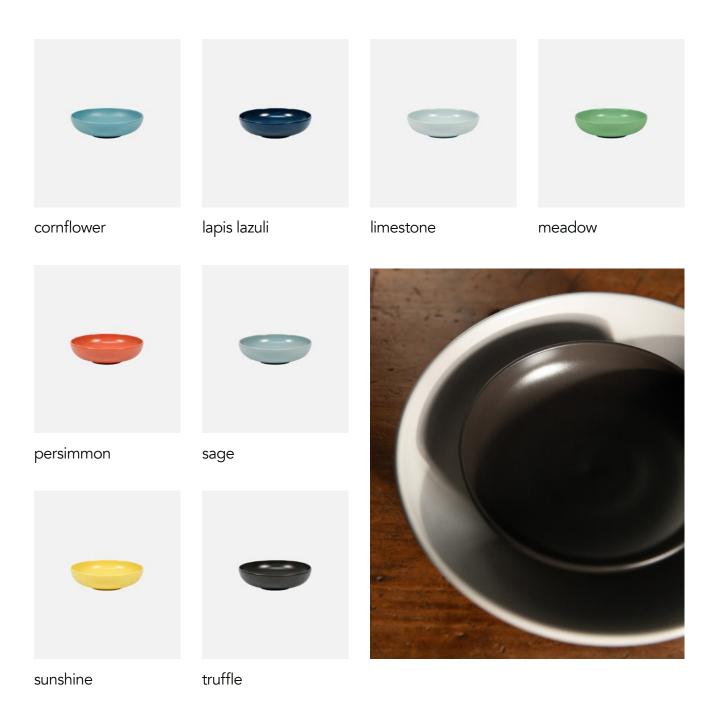




Bowls

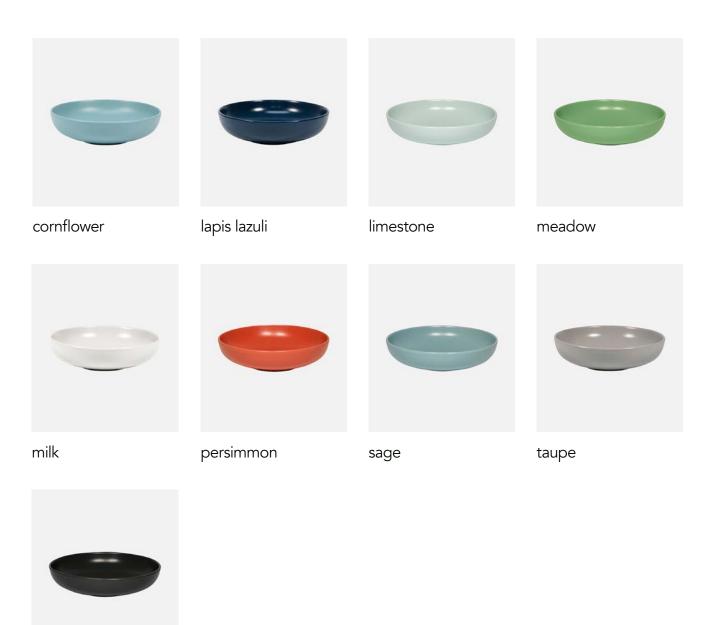
Serve Bowl

Small 4 × 15.5 cm



Serve Bowl Medium 6 × 23 cm

RRP **\$62**



truffle

Bowls

Oval Bowl

Large 4.5 × 31 × 19 cm

RRP **\$119**









persimmon



sage



taupe



limestone

teal

truffle

Oval Bowl Extra Large 4.5 × 41 × 26 cm

RRP **\$140**



lapis lazuli

limestone

persimmon

sage

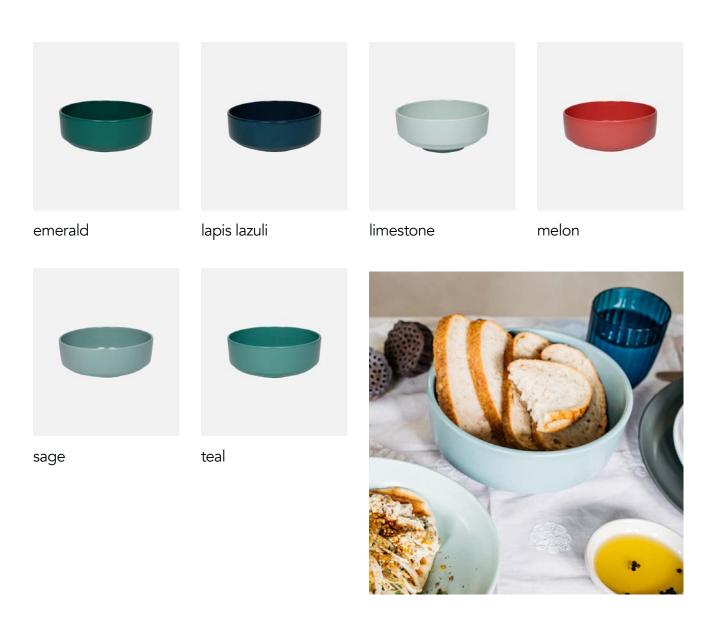
sunshine

Oval Bowl, Large - teal Oval Bowl, Extra large - persimmon

Bowls

Lonsdale Bowl

Medium $20.5 \times 8 \text{ cm}$



Lonsdale Bowl

Large $29.5 \times 8 \text{ cm}$

RRP **\$155**





lapis lazuli

milk



persimmon

sage





sunshine



teal



truffle

Cups & Mugs

Tea Bowl

8.5 × 8.5 cm, 250 ml

cornflower	emerald	ice blue	lapis lazuli	limestone
meadow	melon	midnight	milk	peony
persimmon	sage	sky	stormcloud	sunshine
taupe	teal	truffle		

Coffee Mug

9.5 × 13 cm, 350 ml

RRP **\$29**

cornflower	lapis lazuli	limestone	meadow	melon
midnight	milk	peony	persimmon	sage
sky	stormcloud	sunshine	taupe	teal



truffle



Fagel Pitcher Small clur & mooder



Vessels & Vases

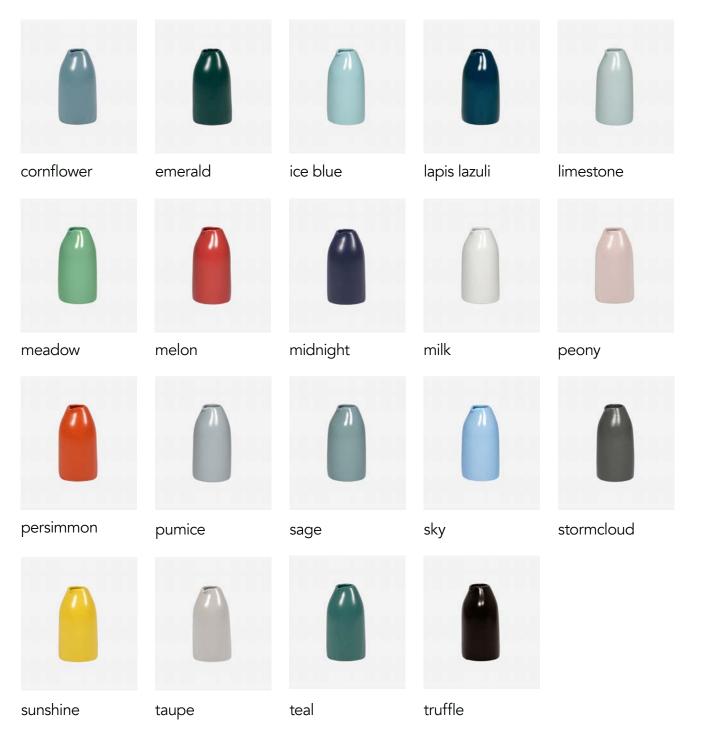
Vessels & Vases

Milk Bottle

Small 11 × 5.5 cm, 150 ml

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cornflower	emerald	ice blue	lapis lazuli	limestone
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meadow	melon	midnight	milk	mushroom
peony	persimmon	pumice	sage	sky
stormcloud	sunshine	taupe	teal	truffle

Milk Bottle Medium 14 × 7 cm, 250 ml

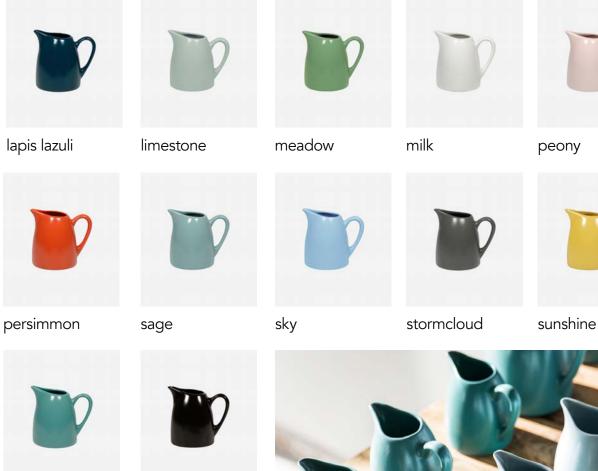


Vessels & Vases

Fågel Pitcher

Small 11.5 × 12 cm, 350 ml

RRP **\$55**



truffle

teal



Fågel Pitcher

Large 16 × 17 cm, 1000 ml

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cornflower	emerald	ice blue	lapis lazuli	limestone
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meadow	milk	mushroom	persimmon	sage
D				
sky	stormcloud	sunshine	teal	truffle

Vessels & Vases

Duo Vase

LONG 13 \times 21 cm, mouth 4.5 cm

RRP **\$105**



lapis lazuli & emerald

limestone & taupe



meadow & cornflower





persimmon & peony

teal & midnight

$Medium \ 18 \times 17 \ \text{cm, mouth} \ 7 \ \text{cm}$





lapis lazuli & emerald



limestone & taupe



meadow & cornflower



persimmon & peony



teal & midnight



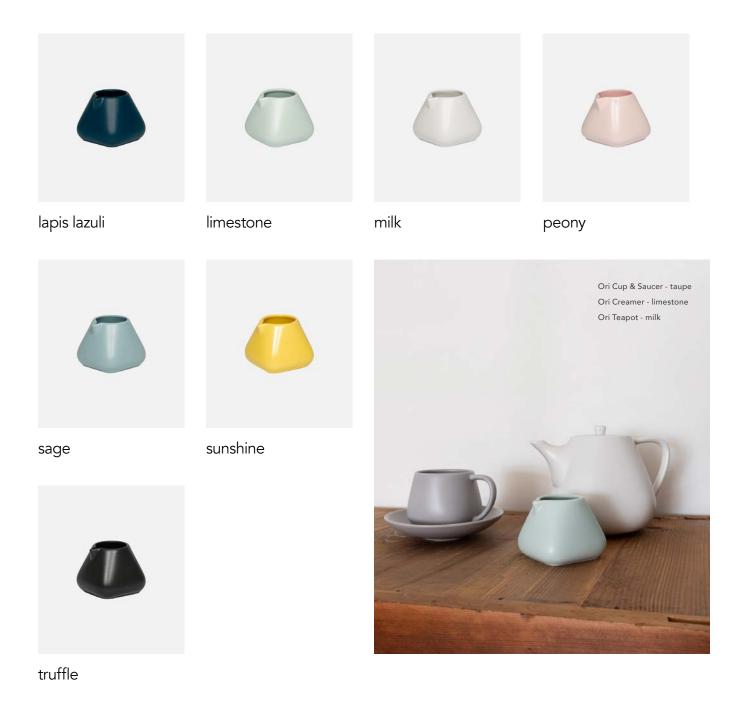
Serve Bowl, Small - limestone, sage, lapis lazuli Ori Teapot - sage Ori Cup & Saucer - jade Milk Bottle, Small - lapis lazuli Side Plate - limestone Ori Creamer - milk Cucina Serve - taupe Ori Cup & Saucer - sunshine Main Plate - truffle



Ori Collection

Ori Creamer

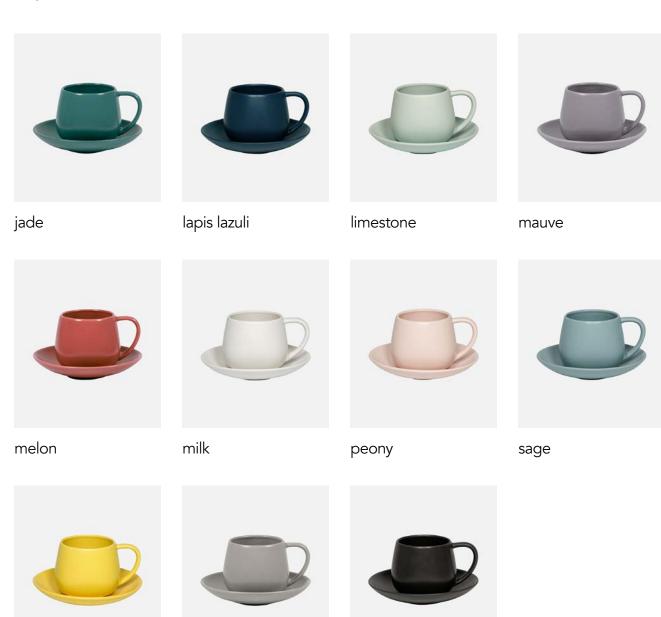
 6×7.5 cm, 125 ml



Ori Cup & Saucer

Cup 7.5 \times 11 cm, 220 ml / Saucer 2.5 \times 13.5 cm

RRP **\$49**



sunshine

taupe

truffle

Ori Collection

Ori Teapot

Small $12 \times 8 \times 12$ cm, 750 ml

RRP **\$99**







limestone





peony



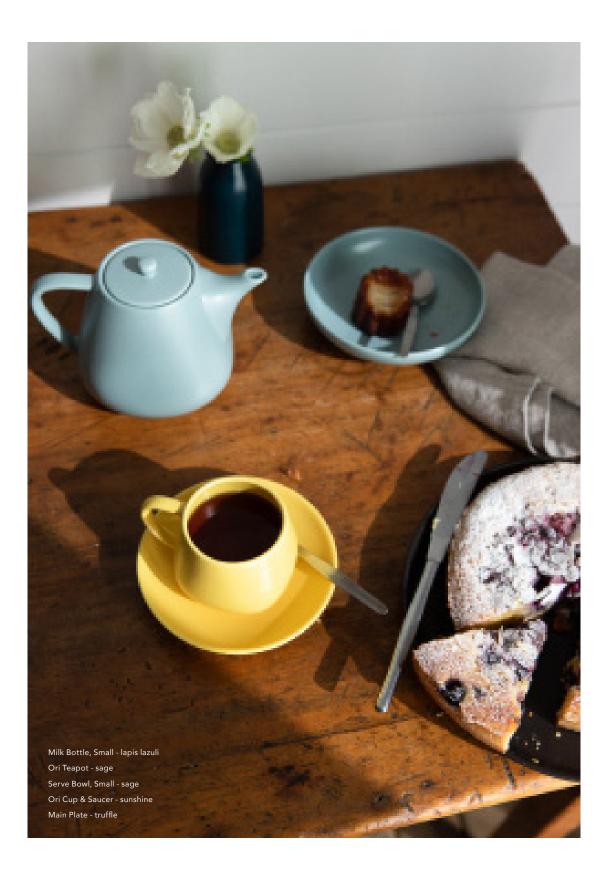
sage

sunshine



truffle

milk



Serve Bowl Small - meadow, sky Elias Tumbler Set of Two - olive Birgit Carafe - honey



Our bison glass collection comprises individually blown pieces in a range of translucent colours.

The entire collection uses glass blown in our glass-studio in Thailand. Because it is hand-crafted, each piece is unique... with slight variations such as bubbles, ripples and colour. The variations in our pieces connect us to the craftspeople behind each finished vessel - a personal gift from the artisans.

Some pieces are named after family members or friends (Myrtle, my grand-

mother and Åsa, my sister). Thus, the pieces incorporate memories that make life richer. The richness of colour and translucency make the forms both sculptural and everyday. We know you'll love our bison glass, just as we do!

CARE FOR BISON GLASS

Glass is a medium which has fascinated designers for millennia. It possesses enormous fluidity in colour and texture, and offers the creator brilliant translucency to play with. A hint of sunshine can transform a colour and invoke a mood. These wonderful qualities inspired me to imagine our first glass pieces for bison.

You will get years of enjoyment from your bison pieces if you take some simple steps to extend their life.

We suggest you carefully hand-wash your glass. Warm soapy water and a cool rinse should give them a beautiful shiny finish. To prevent thermal shock we recommend taking a hot piece from the sink and placing on a rack rather than an icy metal surface.



Åsa Carafe $11 \times 8 \times 5$ cm, 250 ml RRP **\$40**





aegean



gold



bluebell

honey



blueberry



blush



forest















RRP **\$57**





aegean



blood orange



bluebell







blush



smoke



forest

gold

honey

49

olive



Elias Tumbler

Set of Two 8 × 9.5 cm, 350 ml RRP **\$50**





aegean



bluebell

honey



blueberry



blush



forest



gold





olive







Birgit & Elias Set

Set of Two RRP **\$80**





aegean







bluebell



blueberry



blush





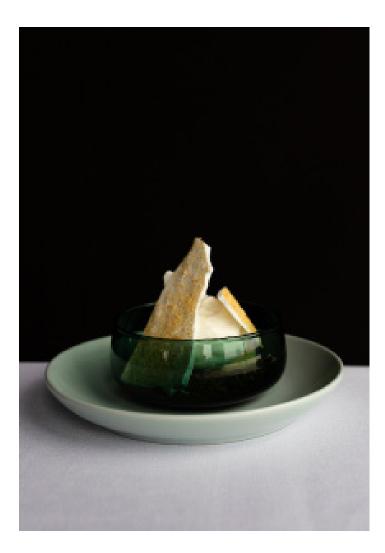
blood orange

gold





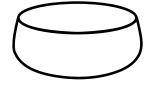




Kellie Bowl

 11×5 cm

RRP **\$35**





aegean



blood orange bl



bluebell



blueberry



blush











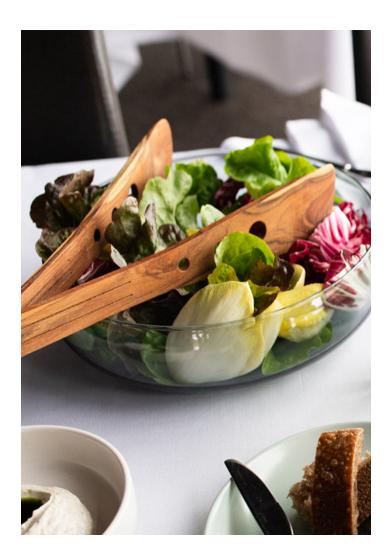


forest

gold

honey

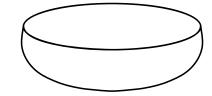
olive



Myrtle Bowl

 $27.5 \times 8 \text{ cm}$

RRP \$125





aegean



bluebell



blueberry

blush



forest







gold

honey

olive

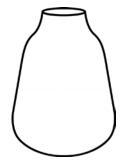




Maisie Vase

 19×14 cm (mouth 5.5 cm)

RRP **\$78**





aegean

blueberry





honey

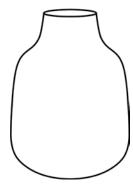
forest



Claude Vase

 24×19 cm (mouth 7 cm)

RRP **\$98**











aegean

blueberry

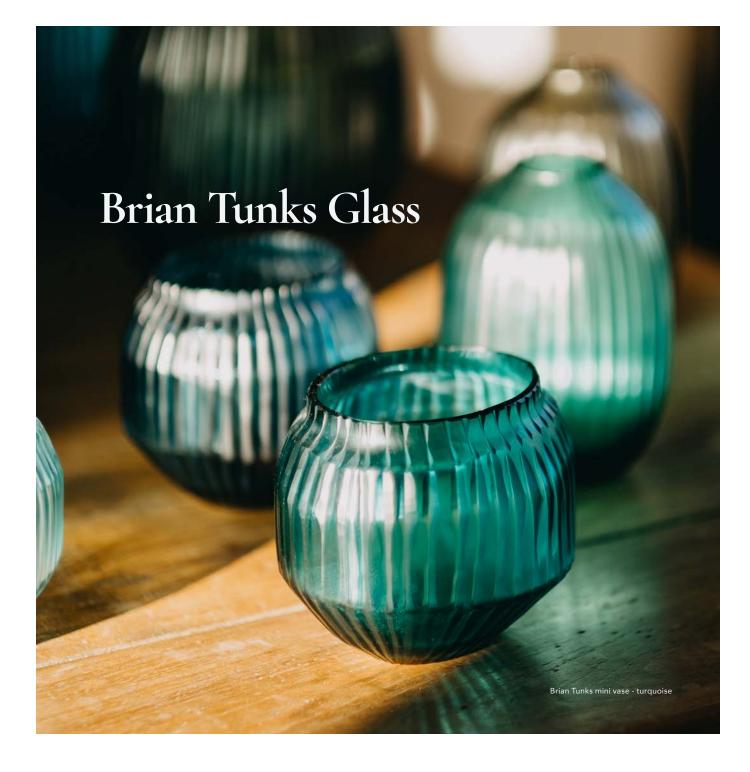
forest

honey



BT Cut Glass Vase, Medium - marine BT Cut Glass Beaker - copper BT Cut Glass Vase, Small - copper BT Cut Glass Vase, Large - leaf Conical Vase, Small - gold





BRIAN TUNKS glass designs celebrate colour, translucency, form and utility. As a material, glass allows us to create objects of incredible beauty that seamlessly transition between high design and everyday use.





All our glass vessels are blown and hand-crafted.

We celebrate the unique nature of our individually made pieces, and the artisans who create such beautiful objects. A natural feature of our faceted glass is the raw textured surface.

The smooth exterior is hand-cut which gives it a time worn finish.

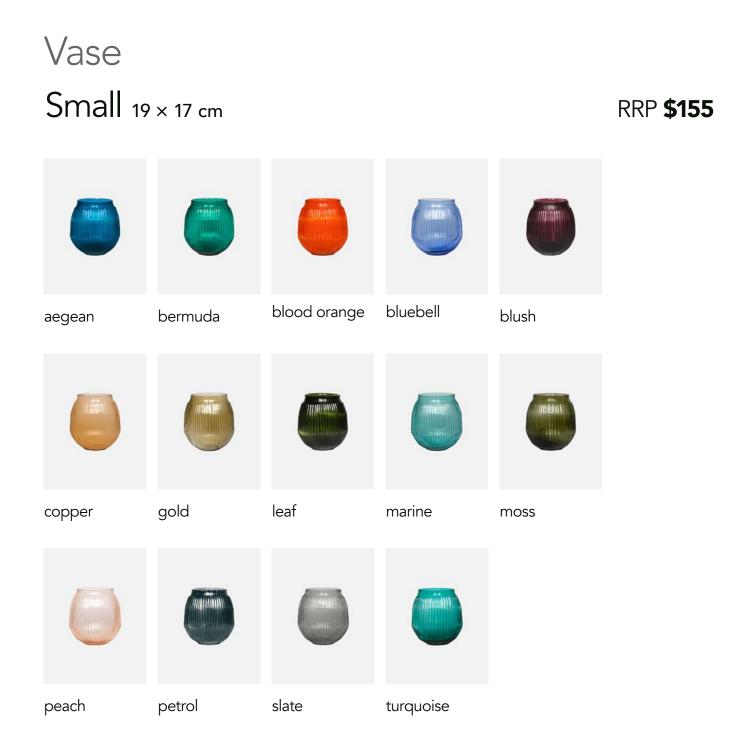
Colour is transformative.

It evokes memories from childhood, lazy summer holidays, and allows us to express our individuality.

BRIAN TUNKS GLASS CARE

To ensure longevity we recommend gentle hand washing in warm water with detergent. If you wish to enhance the colours, try making a simple glass polish using equal amounts of petroleum jelly and coconut oil (fractionated/MCT) ... moisturiser for the glass! Use a soft cloth to apply a tiny amount to the exterior and then gently buff. The colour will be lustrous and richer, almost like gemstones!

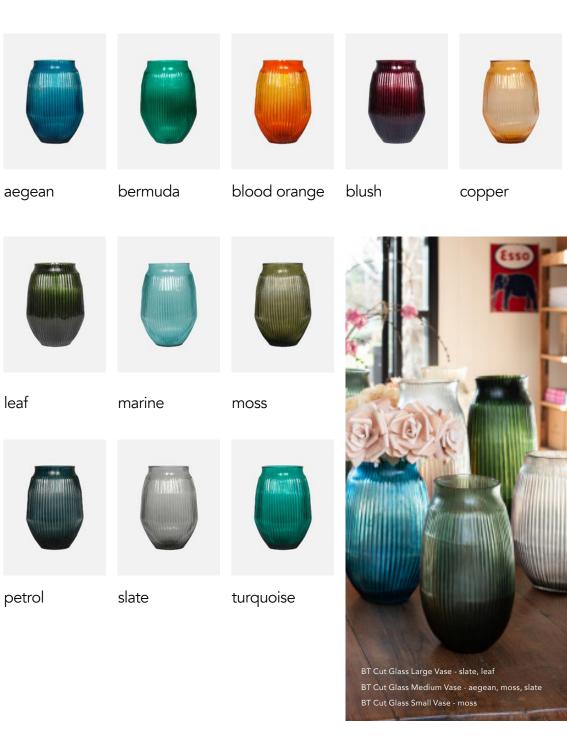
Brian Tunks Cut Glass



Vase Medium 28 × 20 cm

RRP **\$235**

gold



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Brian Tunks Cut Glass

Vase

Large 43 × 21 cm















aegean

blood orange

copper

gold



marine



moss



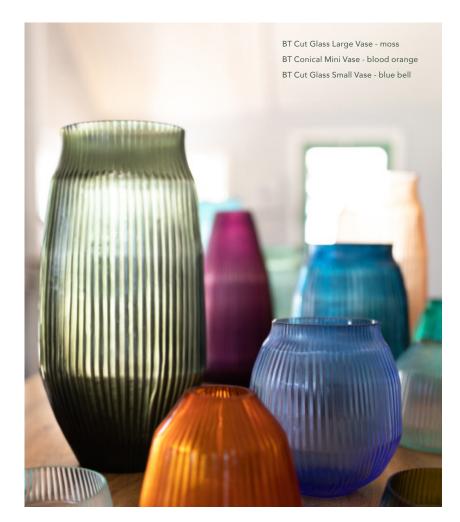
petrol



slate



turquoise



Beaker

9 × 7 cm



bermuda

blush



copper

bluebell





frost



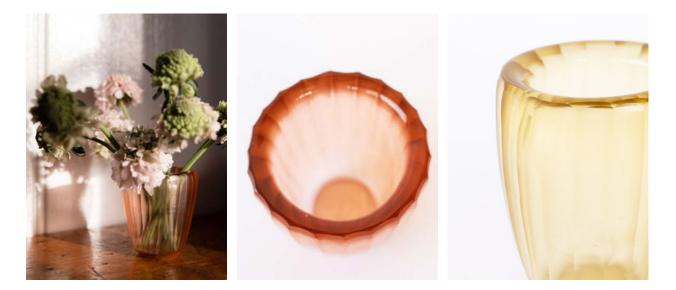
marine

moss



peach

petrol



Brian Tunks Cut Glass Mini Collection

Mini Vase

11 × 13 cm













aegean

blood orange

copper

leaf

marine





Pod Vase

14.5 × 10.5 cm (mouth 2.7 cm)

RRP **\$89**



bermuda



blood orange leaf



bermuda

RRP **\$89**



Bud Vase



 20.5×7.5 cm (mouth 3 cm)





copper



moss



peach



slate





moss

blood orange



petrol



turquoise





slate

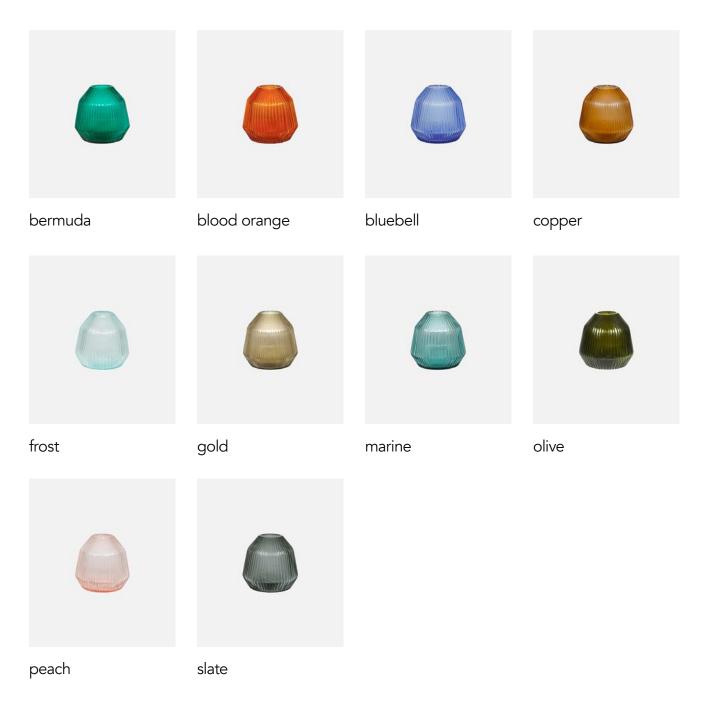
gold



Brian Tunks Cut Glass Conical Collection

Conical Vase

Mini 15×11.5 cm (mouth 6 cm)



Conical Vase

Small 21×22 cm (mouth 4 cm)

RRP **\$230**









blood orange

copper

gold

leaf



marine



Lamps

Brian Tunks Cut Glass Lamp



Lamp: 30×15 cm (with shade) Shade: 20×21.5 cm (natural linen)

RRP **\$289**







aegean

blood orange

copper

leaf



slate



Brian Tunks Cut Glass Lamp

Small

Lamp: 46×22 cm (with shade) Shade: 26×31 cm (natural linen)

RRP **\$429**



LargeLamp: 66 × 18 cm (with shade)RRP \$510Shade: 31 × 36 cm (natural linen)

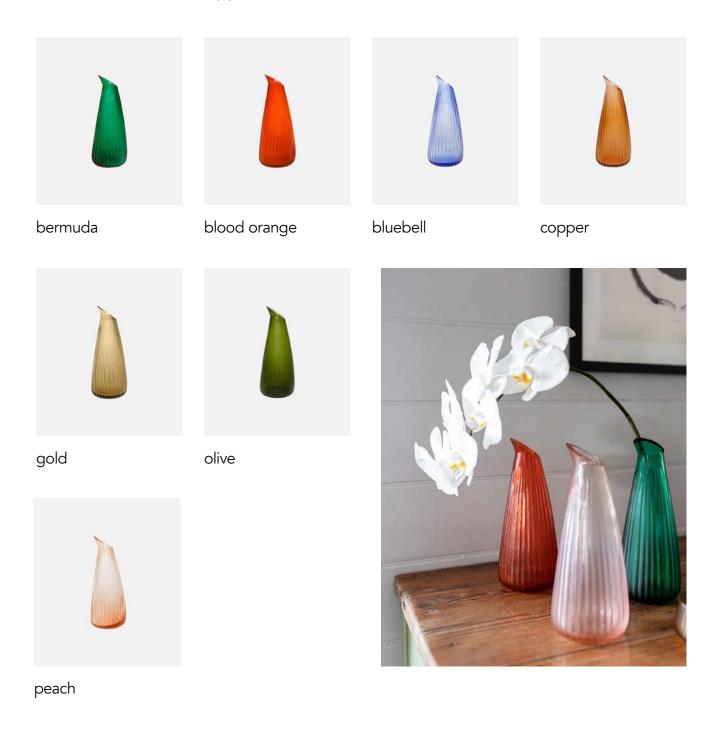


Brian Tunks Cut Glass Iguassu Collection

RRP **\$155**

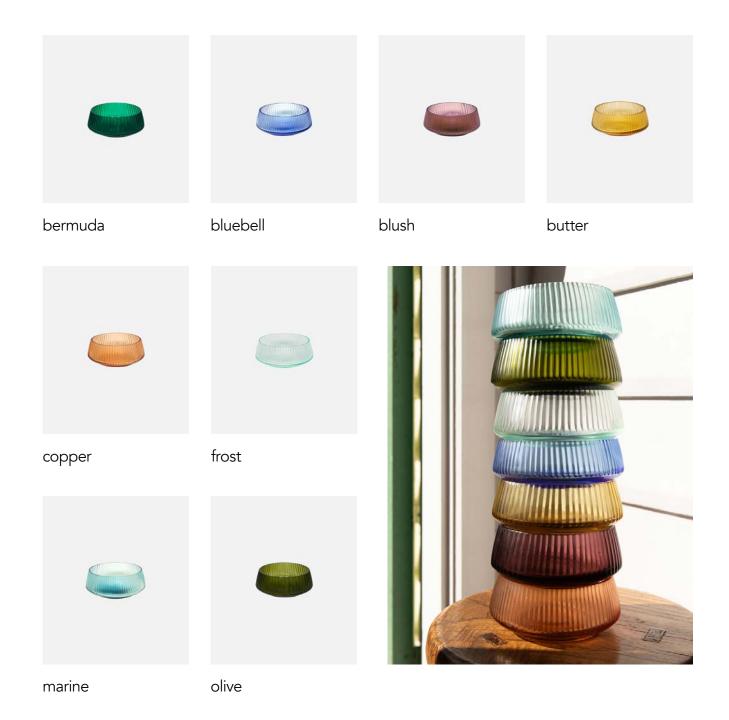
Heron Vessel

 25×9.5 cm, 850 ml approx.



Mini Iguassu Bowl

12.5×5 cm, approx.



Brian Tunks Cut Glass Iguassu Collection

Iguassu Tumbler Set of Four

 10.5×8.5 cm, 300 ml, each approx.



Mix A aegean, bermuda, blood orange, blush



Mix B bluebell, frost, marine, slate



Mix C butter, gold, olive, peach



Iguassu Tumbler Set of Two

 10.5×8.5 cm, 300 ml, each approx.

RRP **\$60**



aegean



bermuda



blood orange



bluebell



blush



butter

olive



frost



peach



gold



slate



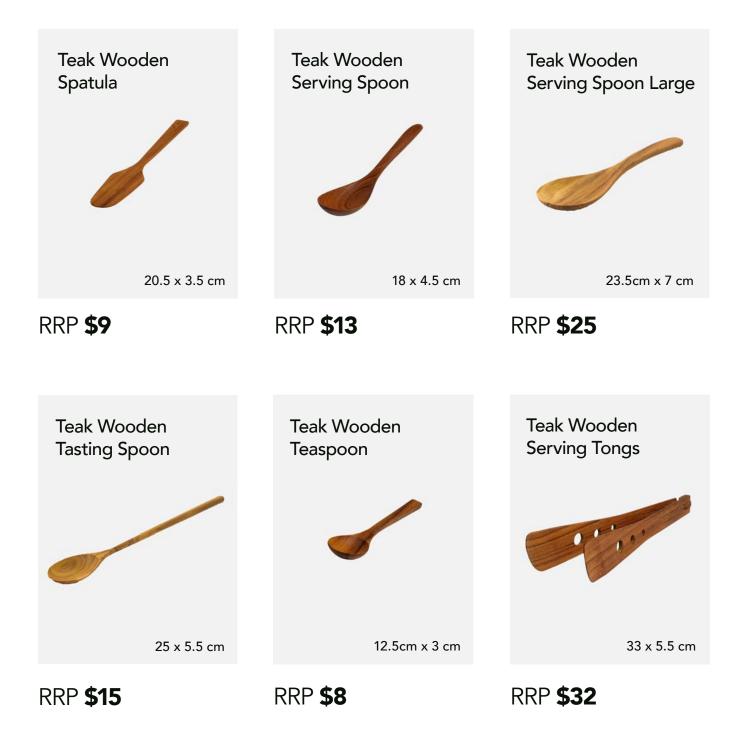
marine



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Accessories

Teak



Hand Loomed Waffle Cotten / Linen









emerald

limestone

mulberry

sage



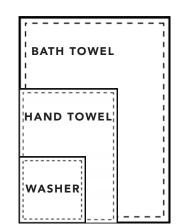
stormcloud



taupe



turquoise



 Washer 33 × 33 cm
 RRP \$18

 Hand Towel 50 × 70 cm
 RRP \$32

 Bath Towel 80 × 155 cm
 RRP \$65





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