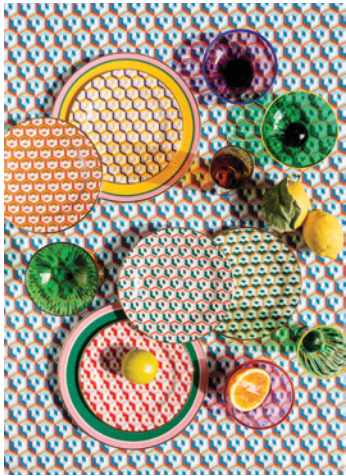


LAST WORD



MARIELA MEDINA

What are some must-have pieces from the new Mamma Milano homeware collection?

I absolutely love the new Sunrays mini plate; the design was inspired by a mosaic found in Palazzo Belgioioso. But you can't go wrong with our six-piece dessert plate set; [the plates] slip super easily into whatever plate situation you have at home. I'm also crazy about our Pillar candles that come in the ancient Egyptian-inspired prints from our fall ready-to-wear collection. I'll use them in my daily meditation practices.

What's your go-to entertaining hack?

A super easy trick I do to make that moment when everyone is arriving a little more special is to set up a bar with a mix of all my different LDJ Murano glassware—the Rainbow water glasses, the Smoky Rainbow coupes and tumblers, and our new Perfetto wine glasses all look amazing mixed together. It's like an art installation and fun for guests to pick their favorites, without too much formality. Just be sure you have the wine on ice and all the mixers ready for guests to make their own.



ALBERTO ZANETTI



How do you approach mixing color and print?

My No. 1 tip for dressing yourself and your table would be to not overthink it. Don't try to make everything look too "perfect." ... Use your heart and your stomach when you get dressed, not your head. When you mix prints there is a little method to the madness. Try to select a color theme that can be a fil rouge throughout the look or the table. I also find that geometrics mix really well with florals. [And] you want to mix your scales. I like to mix oversize prints with smaller ones, and to throw in some solid or color-blocked pieces just to give the eye a little breathing room. It's all about balance.

What would you tell your 20-year-old self today?

You have a higher self and the time to locate it is now.

Favorite piece of business advice you've been given?

If you're not profitable by year two you never will be.

REAL TALK WITH...

JJ Martin

The founder and creative director of La Double J dishes on her new homeware collection, Mamma Milano, immortalized in a book of the same name

BY KATHERINE LANDE



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