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Outdoor relaxation in full living colour

Contemporary Italian designer Paola Lenti wows Milan with exterior Aqua Collection

Showcasing at the Beyond Colour exhibition in Milan earlier this year, Paola Lenti presented more stunning colour combinations and textures in her signature Aqua Collection of furniture for exterior spaces, spas and poolside settings.

Adding to the 240 technical yarns of striking two-tone colour combinations of Rope Corda, and 320 tri-colour Brio upholstery fabrics, the latest combinations offer rich designs for exciting alfresco environments – with the entire collection developed to be UV-stable, hypo-allergenic and resistant to cosmetic products and seawater.

Creating fabrics that mirror nature, Lenti's starting point has always been the material itself, focusing first on the fabric in order to design shapes and forms that reflect the nature of the material. This results in weaving or stitching cords to produce structures without frames, such as the Otto chairs and Agadir lanterns or wrapping bead and foam fill to create soft comfortable lounge seats and ottomans.

A manufacturer and a designer, Lenti has taken outdoor textiles beyond standard exterior fabrics, crafting thick-ply, all-weather yarns for weaving as well as creating soft textiles for upholstery. She provides the textile designs and develops all dyes and colours from scratch, making them an international reference point for textile innovation in the design world.

New Paola Lenti landscape structures, which

offer elegant options for the creation or enclosure of outdoor spaces, are also now being offered by exterior furniture specialists Modern Garden, in addition to the 'indoor style for outdoor use' collection of sofas, sunbeds, platforms, poufs, armchairs, chairs and tables, as well as a range of rugs and accessories.

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