

NEW PRODUCTS FROM BRITAIN

GLOW OF SUCCESS FOR STATE-OF-THE-ART CHANDELIERS

Talented British designers are behind a new, modern look for chandelier lighting – using a special mix of unglazed fine porcelain – attracting the attention of architects and interior designers worldwide.

Created from tiers of handcrafted, suspended tiles of paper-like translucence, the chandeliers designed by Diffuse cast a functional, but soft and flattering light not achievable in glass, fabric, or plastics. They are heat-resistant, long-lasting and easy to clean.

The formula for the porcelain – which gives the light a special quality – was developed by Lucy and Jason Boatswain who set up Diffuse following demand for their distinctive lighting. The couple met while studying at the prestigious St Martin’s college of art and design in London and their designs now appear in hotels, spas, retail outlets, and private residences in Japan, the USA and around the world. Lucy was voted Young Designer of 2004/05 at the Homes & Gardens Classic Design Awards in London.

For smaller interiors

In addition to bespoke lighting, designed and made according to requirements, Diffuse supplies a stock range of lightweight chandeliers offering classic design with a modern touch for smaller interiors.

Drum, for example, is a circular two-tier model comprising 58 suspended porcelain tiles, each measuring 20cm x 6cm. It is lit by three bulbs and comes with an internal diffuser, luminaries, and suspension kit. Matching wall-lights cast a warm light through the tiles, with a clear light across the wall above and below the fitting. Both blend with traditional or contemporary style and, when used together, create an ambience suitable for any room interior setting.

TomTom is a taller, slender version suitable for hanging low over a corner table, high in an entrance hall, or in a row above a sideboard or bar. Units can be modified to suit individual needs.

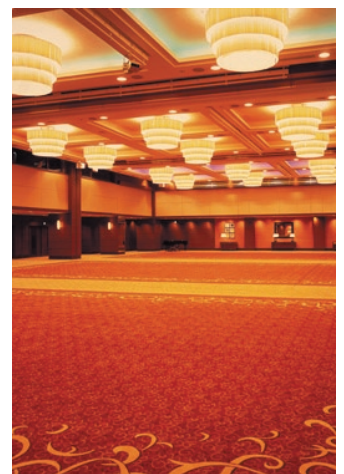
In a major project, Diffuse produced 18 porcelain chandeliers measuring 2m in diameter for the foyer and ballroom of a hotel in Kobe, Japan. The soft light of the porcelain contrasts with a tiny sparkle of light glimpsed between the 200 tiles of each chandelier. At an award-winning restaurant in England, the simple, clean style of Diffuse table lights and pendants has been used to create an inviting atmosphere in the evening – and adding an understated elegance during the day.

All Diffuse lights are suitable for use with low-energy bulbs. The full range of lighting and a selection of contract projects can be seen at: www.diffuse.co.uk or contact the Design Studio at: light@diffuse.co.uk

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