

“Salone del Mobile 2019: The 12 Most Eye-Catching Things in Milan”

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Sasha Bikoff and Andy Dixon's installation at the Versace Palazzo.

It's spring in Milan, and that means it's the time of the year when thousands of creatives descend upon the city for Salone del Mobile, aka the world's largest design show. Milan's empty warehouses, ornate palazzos, and new exhibition spaces welcome the worlds of art, fashion, architecture, and design for a myriad of presentations, installations, and exhibitions. Countless fashion houses, including Loewe, Dior, and Versace, showed off their latest endeavors in the design category, while Milan's most esteemed design studios, like Kartell, B&B Italia, and Cassina, presented their newest projects. This 2019 edition of Salone del Mobile saw a number of events that brought together the intersection of technology, science, and design, as presented by the likes of Bulgari, Lexus, COS, and more. Nature was another prevailing theme, with designers looking at things like water and flowers for inspiration. The week also brings together legendary names and emerging talent from institutions such as the Design Academy Eindhoven. Rife with blockbuster collaborations as well as experimentation, Salone del Mobile is a window into what's next in furniture and design. Here, a few of the week's brightest stars spotted around town.

Versace Home

Versace Home went back to its roots, setting up the label's 2019 Salone del Mobile presentation inside the Versace Palazzo, calling on two creatives, the Canadian artist Andy Dixon and the American interior designer Sasha Bikoff, to help bring the new collections to life. Bikoff created a candy-colored tropical fantasy furnished in Versace Home, while Dixon made enormous shirt sculptures decorated with his own version of Versace's flamboyant prints. Upstairs, Versace Home exhibited its latest collections of furniture and tabletops, as well as a new lifestyle line complete with Versace skateboards, dumbbells, and kettle bells. Who says working out can't be luxurious?

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