

Santa & Cole at NYCxDesign 2016

Barcelona-based design brand celebrates 30 years and re-issues Vaghe Stelle, an iconic 1980s design by Spanish architect Antoni de Moragas y Spà



Vaghe Stelle by Antoni de Moragas

May 2016 – Santa & Cole, the Barcelona-based lighting and furniture brand, is pleased to be showing its new collections alongside its most iconic pieces for the International Contemporary Furniture Fair (ICFF) 2016 (May 14 – 17, 2016).

Founded in 1985 by Nina Masó, Gabriel Ordeig and Javier Nieto, Santa & Cole will celebrate its 30th anniversary this spring. For the last three decades, the company has developed an impressive catalogue of contemporary and historic lighting with a focus on Spanish designers as well as international talent. Santa & Cole works with emerging designers to bring their pieces into production and continuously develops its Design Classics collection, placing significant historical designs back into the market. The company works closely with a network of small industrial artisans throughout Barcelona to manufacture each piece in its design catalogue.

As part of the 30th anniversary, Santa & Cole will re-issue the Vaghe Stelle light by Antoni de Moragas y Spà, one of the leading figures in Spanish architecture. In 1982 de Moragas received a commission to convert an old textile warehouse in Barcelona into a



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restaurant, the Brasserie FLO, and designed Vaghe Stelle especially for the space. Santa & Cole is thrilled to re-introduce this important design which shares the same origins as the company in 1980s Barcelona.

Inspired both by Medieval architecture and the designs of Viennese Secessionists Joseph Maria Olbrich and Adolf Loos, Vaghe Stelle also has literary roots, taking its name from Giacomo Leopardi's poem *Le Ricordanze* which refers to the Vaghe stelle dell'Orsa (the vague stars of the Big Dipper).

Vaghe Stelle will be available starting September 2016.

Other new lighting on view has been updated with LED technology and colorways, including pieces by Ilmari Tapiovaara, Antoni Arola, Miguel Milá and Arne Jacobsen. Santa & Cole will also showcase its most iconic designs by Miguel Milá, and Antoni Arola.

Santa & Cole will exhibit at ICFF from May 14-17th, 2016 and can be found in Hall 1C / Booth 1222.

About Santa & Cole

Founded in 1985 by Nina Masó, Gabriel Ordeig and Javier Nieto, Santa & Cole is an international lighting and furniture brand with Barcelona roots. For the last three decades, Santa & Cole has developed an impressive catalogue of contemporary and historic lighting by Spanish and internationally recognized designers. The company's founders consider themselves to be editors and publishers, helping designers to realize their ideas, protect intellectual property and put them into production while also rediscovering existing designs and bringing them back to the market. Santa & Cole has worked with over eighty designers to date and their products are known for their timeless form, functionality and thoughtfully selected materials.

Custom Santa & Cole lighting can also be seen at hotels, restaurants and public spaces across Spain, throughout Europe and in the United States. In addition to lighting for commercial and residential interiors, the company has produced a number of design books and has made a significant contribution to urban planning with its innovative outdoor lighting. Santa & Cole is headquartered in Belloch, just 18 miles north of Barcelona, and distributes its collections globally.

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