

SPICE THINGS UP

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Any host or hostess will tell you that entertaining should have its own Olympic category. From planning and designing to executing and hosting, it's a full-on production. Whether it's new or an oldie-but-a-goodie, here are some unexpected pieces that will amp up your tablescene. It's never too late to spice things up, especially during the holiday season!





RAISING *THE BAR*

You'll really up the ante with the Addison Weeks x Eddie Ross barware collection. Best known for his book *Modern Mix*, Ross is a major player in the field of styling and has expanded his know-how with his collaboration with Charlotte's own Addison Weeks. Together, they've curated a unique collection of barware inspired by Ross' love for antique and vintage finds from across the country. Combining their powers, each piece embodies classical designs with modern day touches. Available through Addison Weeks, www.addisonweeks.com



JUST DESSERTS

An enchanting floral pattern painted delicately across Limoges porcelain, the Raynaud Trésor Fleuri collection is equally elegant as it is whimsical. Each piece, including dessert plates shown here, features a seamless pattern that emulates a woven basket for added dimension beneath hand-painted magnolias, water apple, asarum, and rhododendron and is perfect for any occasion. Available through Elizabeth Bruns, \$205 each, www.elizabethbruns.com





SHAKE *IT UP*

Coastal designs are not prescribed only for coastal settings, especially when they are as elegant as the Sea Urchin Salt and Pepper Shakers by AERIN. The handcrafted ceramic set is given a lavish update with its brass detailing that exudes a casual yet opulent vibe. Available through Elizabeth Bruns, \$125, www.elizabethbruns.com



DISCOVERY *PLĂČĔ*

From vintage clothing and jewelry to a full lifestyle label, Italian brand La Double I has it all. Creative director J.J. Martin has used her journalistic eye to scope every nook of Milan to find inspiration from ready-to-wear to tabletop, including the Libellula dinner plate set. Made in collaboration with Italian porcelain greats, Ancap, the vintage dragonfly print was designed in 1905 and sourced from the historic pattern book Le bon motif, which was found in Lake Como's Mantero archive. Mix and match with other patterns to create an even more eye-catching table display. Available through La Double J, \$155 for set of two, www.ladoublej.com



KISS & TELL

An intriguing conversation piece, the Kelly Wearstler Kiss wine stopper is the perfect gift for any wine enthusiast. Made in natural solid bronze and sculpted in Los Angeles, this piece is inspired by Wearstler's love for figural forms. Both practical, appealing, and a classic addition for a holiday table setting. Available through Kelly Wearstler, \$195, www.kellywearstler.com



Inspired by the materials she would play with as a child in her parents' studio, Kifu Agousti employs whimsical elements of contrast for her KIFU PARIS collection. Crafted by skilled artisans, the ice bucket is constructed using shagreen, mother-of-pearl, and inlayed brass that will patina over time, which is a part of the inherent beauty of this unique piece. Available through Neiman Marcus, \$525, www.neimanmarcus.com



ARTERIORS MOTIVE

Although simple in design, the Arteriors Amortentia decanter from the Windsor Smith collection is anything but ordinary. Featuring dusty rose colored glass, a brushed nickel brim, and chestnut leather stopper, this glass form is wildly intriguing and will add interest to your already well-stocked bar. Pair with the Felix and Elixir to create the ultimate trifecta. Available through A.Hoke Ltd., to the trade, www.ahokeltd.com