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FLORALHEAVEN

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)

It is the vibrancy of wildlife in the summer sunshine that had Rachel reaching her paintbrush to capture all that is fleeting in nature, in swift and confident strokes Floral Heaven is a heavenly mix of bright blue meconopsis. rich bold dahlias and soft pastel coloured pulmonaria 'Cotton Cool' and foxgloves. A heavenly blend of moments in nature captured through clay to last a lifetime



A blazing sun beats down across summer fields and a sleepy wood and allows you to spend a moment lingering under a bouquet of amethyst-coloured hosta, sweet pea and jasmine. Follow this landscape into the amber-red thickets of autumn where spires of tubular, cheerful Michaelmas daisies, pale fuchsias tinged with magenta-pink and Chinese dogwood delight. Winter invites you to take in the bare, frost-covered branches, and snow-clad meadow, and the rich, burgundy-red colours of hellebore, the ruffled blooms of wild cyclamen as they twist and turn like tiny butterfly wings amid brandy-tinged fairy primroses and monkswood. As spring emerges you are greeted with flocks of birds flying home as the wood begins to transform into shades of green and warm, clementine-coloured crocuses, pale daffodils with golden centres, delicate, brilliant-white snowdrops and lily of the valley sing an ode to spring. Make no mistake, Four Seasons is the holy grail of





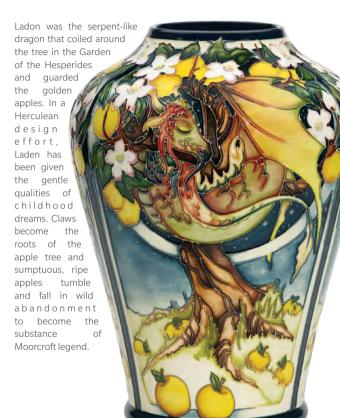
TWENTY WINTERS____



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LADON _

Designer: Vicky Lovatt



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SNOWDROPSENSATION

Designers: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons), Vicky Lovatt and Nicola Slanev



Green Tear

CL1 | Open Edition

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Soulful Cheer

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RENISHAW HALL

Designer: Nicola Slaney

Bluebells transform our woodland in springtime. A carpet of intense blue under the opening tree canopy is one of our greatest woodland spectacles. Nicola's design celebrates the wonder of rhythmical flowerheads, producing rows of bluebells on a vase that is not dissimilar to a bell shape itself – a new shape also by Nicola's hand.



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MONTHS OF THE YEAR

Designers: Emma Bossons FRSA, Vicky Lovatt & Nicola Slaney



 $\textbf{(1)} \ \, \text{January (EB), } \ \, \textbf{(2)} \ \, \text{February (EB), } \ \, \textbf{(3)} \ \, \text{March (NS), } \ \, \textbf{(4)} \ \, \text{April (NS), } \ \, \textbf{(5)} \ \, \text{May (EB), }$

(6) June (NS), (7) July (NS), (8) August (VL), (9) September (VL), (10) October (VL),

(11) November (EB), (12) December (VL).

GRASMERE BLUEBELLS

Designer: Nicola Slaney

It is thought that around half of the world's population of bluebells are to be found in the UK. Captured in this design is one of the two small lakes of Grasmere and Rydal Water, separated by a woodland through which the River Rothay babbles merrily. These woods are carpeted with bluebells in spring, and in *Grasmere Bluebells* they bow their heads gracefully under a canopy of clouded, greenish-blue trees.



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ANEMONE WILDSWAN

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)

This plant has a very long intermittent flowering season from May to November and suits the edge of woodland with some light shade. Its pretty colouring was endorsed by it receiving the plant of the year award in 2011 at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show. In the garden it thrives in well-drained soil and is well suited within flower borders and beds or as an under planting of roses or shrubs.



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ALMOND FLOWER

Designer: Alicia Amison

Much like bees to a flower, the eye is drawn to soft-pink and white almond blossom at the epicentre of this vase flanked on every side with almond nuts themselves. Life-giving greens cushion the flower head and provide the design with a fresh, new buoyancy.



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FIRE LILY ____

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)

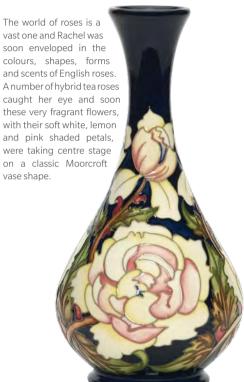
A classic structured floral design which showcases a Moorcroft painters' skill, as each tiny dot on the centre of the lily is freehand painted using the finest of brushes. While the yellow and orange buds remain tightly closed, the dramatic Fire Lily is already boldly flowering and showing off its exotic colouring on an elegantly shape vase.

CLOUD DANCER

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)



Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)



Golden spring flowering tulips slowly start to unfurl their petals on this bright, fresh design. They seek the sunlight as they emerge from entanglement of leaves, reaching upwards towards the warmth and sunlight.



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80/9 | Limited Edition 30

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CALIFORNIA DREAMING

Designer: Nicola Slaney

After a holiday to California, Nicola put pen to paper and began a series of designs, taking her back to hazy, sun-filled days, fresh ocean breezes and that electric atmosphere of San Francisco.



California Poppy IU7 | Numbered Edition

Napa Valley 72/9 | Limited Edition 25 WHITBY

Designer: Kerry Goodwin



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CRANSTON'S QUEEN

Designer: Nicola Slanev

Margaret Macdonald Mackintosh was widely known for her stencil and gesso pictures, a type of high-relief linear design giving an affect not dissimilar to Moorcroft's tubelining. for the tearooms that her husband, Charles Rennie Mackintosh, designed for Catherine Cranston in Glasgow. Nicola cleverly depicts one of the four panels from 1909 of the playing cards flanked by court pages, which was set into the walls of the card room in Cranston's house. Elongated Queens circle the vase in flowing gowns of mustard yellow and ruby reds with ebony and ivory intersections for dramatic effect, making this Moorcroft design a trump card for any collection



GLASGOW SCHOOL OF ART

Designer:

Emma Bossons FRSA



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MACKINTOSH COLLECTION _



Kingsborough Gardens

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WINDY HILL_

Designer: Kerry Goodwin

Windy Hill, a picture-perfect home in Kilmacolm, Scotland, is one of only two private homes built by Charles Rennie Mackintosh. Mackintosh was commissioned to build Windy Hill in 1900, when he was just 32 and embarking on what promised to be a brilliant career as an architect. Furnished by him and his wife, Margaret Macdonald, the home features incredible fireplaces, panelling, stained glass, light fixtures and decorative schemes. Kerry's design honours this intrinsic part of Scottish heritage as she places Windy Hill amongst Art Nouveau swirls in surrounding meadows. footbaths and skies.



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BELLAHOUSTON

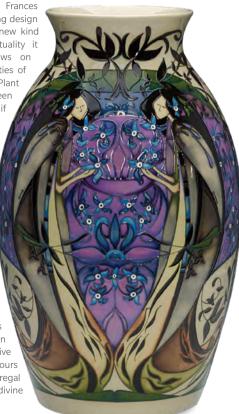
Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA



SPRING

Designer: Nicola Slaney

Inspired MacDonald's Spring design of 1897 and the new kind of symbolic spirituality it held, Nicola draws on the ethereal qualities of the female form. Plant roots and soft green leaves rise up as if under a spell to curve around the angles of the vase. The ladies appear to glide as if tree wisps from a supernatural realm and delicate spring flowers float like surreal blue butterflies gliding in an out of the long, dark silhouetted hair of the ladies. Purple is used in this design of indulgence to give the figures colours associated with regal titles and the divine feminine form.



THE MAY QUEEN _

Designer: Nicola Slaney

The May Queen was originally a panel ladies' the luncheon room inside situated Miss Cranston's Street Ingram tearooms in Glasgow. The original panel created was by Margaret Macdonald Mackintosh. original panel was made to sit alongside its twin - called The Wassail. For 2019 a soft ivory clay is used, as the linework leads you on through stylised ladies and patterns, into a place which is restful, beautiful and totally inspiring.



RENNIEROSE





LOCHINVER

ACHMELVICH BAY ____

Designer: Vicky Lovatt

The road to Lochinver passes by the 16th century ruin of Ardvreck Castle which sits on the shores of Loch Assynt. 'It's just so beautiful; the light is fantastic and has a great "mood" about it', Vicky shared, 'I always make a point of stopping to photograph the area whenever I'm up there. Loch Assynt is a place with lots of happy memories for me.' Far from the madding crowd, and just three miles North West of Lochinver lies the glistening, pristine-white crescent-shaped sandy beach of Achmelvich Bay. With its whistling wild grasses, Hawke bit dandelions and a turquoise ocean.









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Back of Vase

GLENFINNAN VIADUCT.

Designer: Vicky Lovatt

Towering above Loch Sheil, the great Jacobite steam train curves around the epic proportions of this prestige vase. A Jacobite statue of Bonnie Prince Charles stands next to the crystal-clear waters and clouded trees of silver birch and Caledonian pines, which soar into the skyline. Framed with bluebells, golden birds foot trefoil and foliage, the whistling steam train clatters over the Glenfinnan Viaduct, made famous through the Harry Potter films.



SWEETNESS

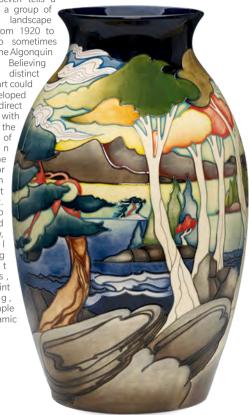
Designer: Nicloa Slaney



GROUPOFSEVEN

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

Group of Seven tells a tale about a group of Canadian landscape painters from 1920 to 1933. also sometimes known as the Algonquin School. that a distinct Canadian art could be developed through direct contact with the nature, Group Seven initiated the first major Canadián national art movement. The group pursued new. original style using bright colours, tactile paint handling, and simple yet dynamic forms.



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PREPARING TO SCRAMBLE ____

Designer: Paul Hilditch



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The Spitfire is probably the most famous and most respected aircraft of all time. It was the brainchild of Reginald Joseph Mitchell CBE FRAeS, (Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire and Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society) one of our most celebrated aeronautical engineers. Mitchell was born in Stoke-on-Trent and by 1919, he had become Chief Designer at Supermarine Aviation in Southampton. Although he died at the age of 42 his basic design was so sound that the Spitfire was continually improved throughout World War II.

DERWENT RESERVOIR _

Designer: Vicky Lovatt



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THE GATES OF HEAVEN

Designer: Nicola Slaney

The melodic words of a school master. Grenadier Guard and poet. T.P. Cameron Wilson, spoke to Nicola in a deep and profound way. Nicola's interpretation offers a tranquil English countryside, with a poppy, whose petals begin to shed and disappear into infinity, forever floating upwards in the sky.



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THE RETURN ____

Designer: Paul Hilditch



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The much admired and respected Lancaster, (also called Avro Lancaster,) was the most successful British heavy bomber of World War II. It first emerged from the heart of A.V. Roe & Company, Ltd., to a 1936 Royal Air Force order specification calling for a bomber powered by two 24-cylinder Rolls-Royce Vulture engines. The resultant aircraft, the Manchester, had engines which proved to be a failure, and Avro proposed a redesigned with four Rolls-Royce Merlin engines, and the result was the famous Lancaster. Paul's epic design sees the incredible planes had a victorious swoop as they return safely to their RAF base.

FOREVER ENGLAND



IN FLANDERS FIELD

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)

Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae (1872-1918) an officer in the Canadian Army, wrote a poem called 'In Flanders Field' which reflected the sweet voice of creativity amidst the destructive forces of war. Rachel Bishop, touched by his words, decided to design a prestige vase which would restore a natural world almost destroyed by man and war by using a heavenly tune as her own personal tribute to all those of a brave and creative heart whose lives were stolen from them before their time Delicate butterflies flutter effortlessly in fields of golden corn, while rich, blazingred poppies rise triumphantly from the earth at the base of a fine. prestige vase.



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THE PLIGHT OF THE BUMBLEBEE

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)



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The Pollinators

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MOSER

Designer: Vicky Lovatt

Vicky was inspired by the work of Kolomon Moser, an Austrian artist and one of the foremost artists of the Vienna Secession movement. Vicky used the monochrome palette and stylization of Moser but applied them to her favourite flower, the bird of paradise.

PARSLEY ___

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

"This design was based on some photographs I took of grasses silhouetted against a white sky. I loved the simple outlines they created and thought it would make a great idea. I'm always very interested in how shapes can create the image of something without drawing lots of detail - I love lino prints and graphic art so this was my ceramic version" Emma Bossons.

TIMELESS ____

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

Harebells and dandelions grow wild in Britain's hedgerows during the hazy summer months. These hedgerows create the borderline between farmers' fields and the open road. Emma has settled on an unusual monochrome colourway as this design is all about fine tubing lines creating the drama.







PUZZLEWOOD TRIO

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA



GRAMINA

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

Gramina is loosely based on a meadow with grasses and leaves at the base and stylised flowers at the top. Flashes of silver guiding and aquatic blues have been added to create an eye catching design.



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TENGU



FLAMINGOS

Designer: Nicola Slaney

A modern shape created by Nicola herself, with parallel straight sides, hosts an elegant parade of greater flamingos. Slender legs pierce the blank space to hold up the plump, pink water birds, with gentle bowing necks. Flamingos captures the zesty interior movement for all things tropical.



161/11 | Open Edition

WOODLAND___

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

A brand-new bell-shaped vase, haloed with a square neck is the canvas for a woodland design from Emma. The tree branches and birds have been simplified into crescents for shades of ebony and plum to sit within. For that luxurious touch, Emma has completed her design with opulent gold lustred squares.

HOUNDSTOOTH

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

A tessellation of abstract houndstooth checks are wrapped around this vase. Gradually the patterns metamorphose from simple forms into the silhouettes of dogs themselves. Charcoal, black and Celosia orange flood the interlocking shapes to reinvent one of the twentieth century's most iconic patterns.

BEJEWELLED

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

Emma aimed to create a new twist on a classic fruit, the pomegranate, which was first used by William Moorcroft in his early designs. Stepping away from realistic colours and forms, she enjoyed letting her mind's eye create graphic forms.







PEOPLE WATCHING

Designer: Paul Hilditch



in fashionable Fulham attire, whilst

This London bar shows the sleepy side of the hustle and bustle of city life. Whilst waitresses carry trays and chat to customers, visitors pour over papers, catch up with their friends or simply watch the characters that ebb and flow into café life. From his mind's eye, Paul Hilditch, unfolds a multitude of characters with the upmost detail, some are clothed

> others simply stare across the road at the boutiques and flurry of activity, purposefully stepping

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Back of vase

THE RHS CHELSEA PLANT OF THE YEAR COLLECTION

Inspiring everyone to grow

Fireworks PLO3 | Numbered Edition

Designers: Emma Bossons FRSA and Nicola Slaney

The RHS Chelsea Plant Of The Year Award was launched in 2010 to promote the continuing work of breeders and nurseries in producing improved and exciting new plants. The Moorcroft design team considered all of the 20 shortlisted plants, including the finalists and winner of the RHS Chelsea Plant Of The Year 2019 Award. Sedum takesimense ATLANTIS ('Nonsitnal'), and wove elements of some of these ground-breaking plants into a collection to showcase their beauty.

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Firebird

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Kokonoe



SNOW SONG

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)



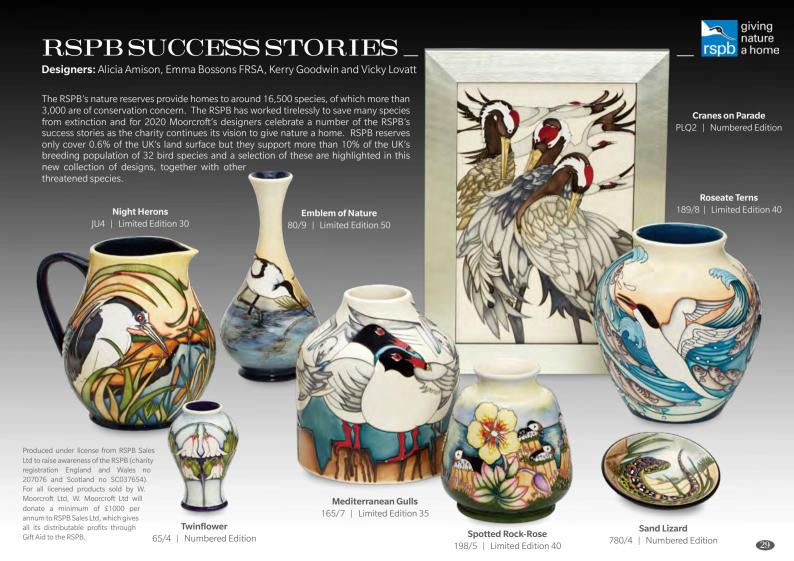
APOLLO 11

flight path took the spacecraft into Earth's orbit

only 11 minutes after launch.

Designer: Vicky Lovatt





SKOMER ISLAND

Designer: Helen Dale



Helen's puffins have a comical appearance that is heightened by their red and black eye-markings and bright orange legs. With half of the UK population at only a few sites, it is a Red List species, according to the RSPB. Helen's design is a cacophony of movement, underwater chaos, bubbles and colour as puffins scramble and dive to catch tasty morsels. The birds are frequent visitors to Skomer Island, less than a mile off the beautiful Pembrokeshire



GREAT CRESTED GREBE

Designer: Kerry Goodwin



Great-Crested Grebe Panel

Mallard Duck Panel 372/16 | Numbered Edition

Moorhen Panel

TREE SPARROWS

Designer: Kerry Goodwin

Every now and again, a great design will emerge from Moorcroft – one which, by its very nature, will cause heads to turn and collectors to open their doors and bring it into their homes. These designs do not have to cost a fortune to be wrapped in that prized cloak of greatness. Indeed, their simplicity can bring them from nowhere to play with our emotions and remain with us for ever thereafter. There can hardly be a less likely subject for greatness than a group of seven tree sparrows. They are seen posturing happily on the simplest of Moorcroft plagues.



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THE GATHERING_

Designer: Helen Dale

Disappear into the world of the Canada goose, their elongated bodies rise up in graceful formation with vast outstretched wings over a wetland home. Complete with newly hatched goslings, nestled together against their warmth, this wetland



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KING OF THE FISHERS & SWING BY

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)



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FROM DUSK TO DAWN_

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

Fascinated by the rhythmical flicker of Pied Wagtails, Emma created a simple study of these sprightly black and white birds. When not standing and frantically wagging its tail up and down, the Pied Wagtail can be seen dashing in search of food. It can be heard singing during its flight, and at dusk they will gather to form large roosts in city centres. 'I found some really lovely images of Pied Wagtails either nesting or perching in groups in city trees. From there, I was inspired to draw them huddling together in their family groups' Emma explained.



PLQ2 | Numbered Edition

ANNA LILY_



SEA CAMPION

Designer: Alicia Amison

Through the window of an old iron gate's lattice work, sea campions erupt in a wave of white heads, fluttering daintily like hundreds of petticoats in the salty air. The richly detailed garden gate embodies the principles of the Arts and Crafts movement with its understated design and hand forged sweeping and asymmetric curves.



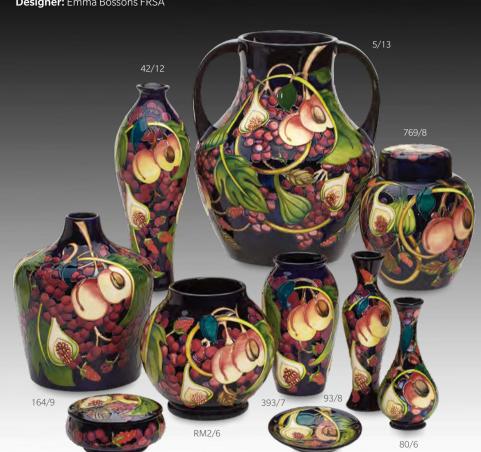
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BRAMBLE REVISITED

Designer: Alicia Amison



QUEENS CHOICE Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA



COLOURS OF NATURE ____

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

Rhododendrons bloom in spring and when they do, they signal a tipping point in the year when nature's colours ratchet up a notch. Emma captures the opulence of coral and peach petals which herald the dawn of a new floral year and tucked in among the rhododendrons are rows of delicate bluebells.



HISTORY IN THE MAKING

Designers: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons), Emma Bossons FRSA, Kerry Goodwin, Vicky Lovatt, Nicola Slaney and Rob Tabbenor

Moorcroft's factory was an interesting blend of functionalism combined with the studio philosophy of William Morris and the Arts and Crafts movement. It was the first truly modern factory building in the Potteries and the first to provide one floor production. A



Kaleidoscope of Colour PLO 3 | Numbered Edition

HIDDENHEART & TALWIN_



TOWN OF FLOWERS

Designer: Kerry Goodwin

Due to the popularity of the 2009 House of Flowers plaque, Kerry Goodwin was invited to create a prestige version of her ground breaking design. While the flowers on the vase remain the same. Kerry has added three additional landscape scenes between the flowers, each with a stylised garden gate. Each scene is different, some buildings have staircases, others have turrets or spires and all are in the Arts and Crafts style with tulips that burst into enchanting violet and burgundy hues as they soar up to the heavens





FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT.



Penny Black 520/5 | Numbered Edition **Heddewigii** 125/4 | Numbered Edition

WILLIAM DE MORGAN COLLECTION.

Designer: Nicola Slaney



Carnation
Mirror | Open Edition



CornflowerMirror | Open Edition



Forgot-me-not
Mirror | Open Edition

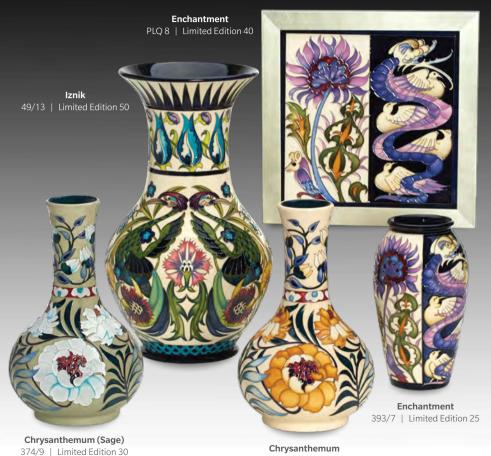


Tulip Mirror | Open Edition

To celebrate the 180th anniversary of the birth of English potter, tile designer and novelist, William De Morgan, Moorcroft have created some remarkable tributes to this pioneer of Victorian design. Morgan's ceramic designs of strange beasts propelled of the London Mathematical Society, De Morgan inherited He is to be applauded for

WILLIAM DE MORGAN COLLECTION

Designers: Emma Bossons FRSA and Nicola Slaney



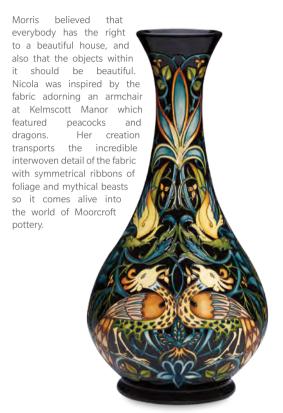
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PLQ6 | Open Editions

PEACOCKS& DRAGONS

Designer: Nicola Slaney



ARTS& CRAFTS

Senior Designer: Rachel Bishop BA (Hons)

Arts & Crafts encapsulates everything that Rachel excels in: garnet-red poppies, butterscotch carnations and a wealth of green and blue foliage. Rachel continues to delight enthusiasts with the spirit of Morris forever in her heart.



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ACANTHUS REBORN

Designer: Emma Bossons FRSA

Acanthus wallpaper was printed for Morris's company by the London firm leffrey & Co., who specialised in high quality wallpapers. Morris believed that a large pattern worked well in a small room and was more restful to look at than a small one. It required thirty wood blocks to print the full repeat, and used fifteen subtly different colours - more than any previous design by Morris.



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WHO GOES THERE

Designer: Anji Davenport

Anji's fields are covered in snow: a winter sun spreads streaks of cold blue, amber and yellow across a distant village and rolling white hills. The designer's black cat cares nothing for the foxes, the chill of the sky or the white snow. A wooden post and rail garden fence protects her sanctuary and her retreat. A fox is prowling past with more of its family slinking quietly across the snow in the distance. To the black cat, the fox is a mere object of curiosity, not fear.



WOODSIDE FARM

Designer: Anji Davenport

In 2000 Anji's Woodside Farm was launched with great hope. Anji captured the very spirit of winter. Woodside Farm has now grown, more farm buildings have heen erected and a vicarage supports the church. This time the foxes have a new friend. and a barn owl oversees the quiet rumblings of a Massey Ferguson tractor. Sheep and auietly ao COWS about their business under a setting sun. In the morning, the glistening white snow may no longer hark to this romantic rural idvll. For now, all can bask in the wonderful colours and imagery on this prestige vase.



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