## **HENGE**

Established in 2007, Henge takes as its starting point what it calls 'the expressive force of natural materials' – burnished brass, grey and coffee-coloured marbles and exotic timbers are all part of its palette. The company's art director, Massimo Castagna, creates furniture that is intended to age beautifully. New designs for 2018 focus on surprising finishes: the 'Ace' table is part of a new dining range and features a top made of briar-root mosaic, while the 'Starlight' chandelier (above) is crafted from antiqued cast bronze. See the collection at Global Luxury London. henge07.com; globalluxurylondon.com

## KNOLL

One of the most important names in 20th-century design, Knoll celebrates its 80th anniversary this year. Founded by Hans Knoll and subsequently helmed by his wife Florence, it has commissioned work by iconic designers including Harry Bertoia, Isamu Noguchi and Eero Saarinen. The latter created the 'Tulip' tables in 1957, which have now been reissued in Rosso Rubino marble (coloured marbles are a key trend for 2018). This spring, a new version of the 'Tulip' seat (left) with upholstery will be launched. knoll-int.com

# LEMA

Not surprisingly, as it was the first Italian company to develop freestanding and made-to-measure wardrobes, Lema excels at storage. The brand was founded in 1970 by the Meroni family, who still run it today. Their latest innovations include 'Air Cleaning', an air-conditioning system for wardrobes that keeps clothes in tip-top condition. The star of the new collection is 'Faroe' (above), a seat/container by Gordon Guillaumier that reflects the vogue for hybrid furniture. *lemamobili.it* 

#### LIVING DIVANI

Exceptional furniture for the living room, bedroom and outdoors is the hallmark of Living Divani, which is famous for modular sofas such as Piero Lissoni's 'Extrasoft', a series of big, padded cubes. Lissoni is the brand's art director and brings an interesting mix of new talents on board – among them Japanese-Taiwanese duo Tamaki Design Studio, creators of the new 'Tombo' clothes rail (right). *livingdivani.it* 

#### **MAXALTO**

With a focus on fine craftsmanship – the name Maxalto is derived from 'massa alto', meaning 'the highest' in Venetian dialect – this sister brand to B&B Italia was founded in 1975 with wooden furniture designs by husband-and-wife architects Afra and Tobia Scarpa. Antonio Citterio is now chief designer – his 'Otium' sofa (right) is an instant classic. bebitalia.com



#### LONGHI

Longhi specialises in luxurious designs for the living room, many featuring precious materials – the 'Cohen' corner sofa, for instance, has built-in niches and shelves in backlit onyx or marble that create a moody glamour by night. Its designs have an on-trend 1960s/70s feel, with lots of polished brass, marble and exotic wood. As well as a reissue of Joe Colombo's 1963 'Elda' armchair, there's also the 'Aluminium Chic' collection of sliding doors, such as the 'Land' design by Alessandro La Spada (left) in smoked glass, brass and boiserie. longhi.it ▶



