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Award-winning designer Karin Verzariu has launched her own range of furniture and accessories, making available admired bespoke designs created over the years for her private clients.

Under the name of Black & Key, the collection offers more than 20 pieces in three luxury veneers and is hand-crafted and detailed to the highest standards in England.

Karin Verzariu, managing director of Key Interiors and a member of BIDA, says: “All the pieces are very sophisticated and can be customised in size and veneer to suit all schemes and interiors, and are a perfect choice for boutique hotels, yachts, executive offices, and any room in the home. We pay immense attention to the finest of detail. ”

Unique details in the range include hand-made door-pulls in polished nickel, some blending nickel inlaid in ebonised timber and true mother of pearl.

The furniture is based on individual designs produced by Karin for private clients, several inspired by her admiration for the Art Deco period and Emil Ruhlmann’s work in particular.

“I was fortunate to have some clients who gave me time and support to bring together the best designs and the best craftsmanship on offer. They acted rather like patrons of the arts, and now we can pass on the benefits to other designers and to individuals,” says Karin.

The Black & Key collection comes in a choice of three exclusive timber veneers – macassar ebony, noir, and sable – and offers pieces for sitting rooms, dining rooms, studies, bedrooms, executive offices, and studies.

It also includes hand-blown glass table lamps and silk lampshades and mattress and divan sets for beds, along with specially selected Black & Key fabrics.

Karin says: “Our Marilyn ottoman, for example, is upholstered to choice in soft wool, crisp linen or wonderful mohair silk, or it can be done to clients’ own specification. The whole range is aimed to be flexible and to bring together the highest of craft skills and the most luxurious of designs.”

The collection can be seen on www.blackandkey.co.uk or during Focus 09

PRIVATE VIEW

BIDA Meeting Room

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