

RUPERT SCOTT ... the new name in contemporary glass art

"For me the greatest excitement is the thought of the unmade - from the conception of an idea, the mystery of the creative journey to what becomes."
Steve Robinson, Designer and co-founder of Rupert Scott.

Following on from the creation of Rupert Scott's inspiring collection of glass tile designs, the up and coming glass design company is now developing a range of funky and arty glass accessory designs that will become collectable works of art. So, if you fell in love with the wonderfully dramatic designs and colours in the glass tiles but won't be re-tiling in the foreseeable future, then choose from the beautiful bowls, platters, panels, coasters and soap dishes.

The Shell Form bowls are abstract pieces of art in their own right, and as with every piece from Rupert Scott, no two are the same but each is signed and numbered on the underneath with discrete etching into the glass. The Shell Form bowls measure approximately 45cm diameter by 20cm high, and would make a stunning feature piece placed on a contemporary glass or Perspex table lit from underneath.

The circular or square Platters are available in a variety of sizes, from 20x20cm up to 40x40cm square dishes, or round platters typically measuring 35cm diameter, and are perfect for using every day for stylishly serving food or can be just simply displayed on a contemporary or retro sideboard.

Coasters, which feature small clear rubber feet on the underside to protect the furniture surface, measure 10x10cm and are approximately 8mm thick, while the striking panels of glass (10x30cm) set within a specially made block of sycamore wood, look great freestanding on a window sill allowing natural sunlight to shine through.

And why not have functional art in your bathroom too! The gorgeous soap dishes are miniature versions of the abstract Shell Form bowls and would look divine in any bathroom space.

The designs can be made to match any of the tile patterns, such as the Lush stripe or Cobalt spiral, or commissioned to create one-off bespoke designs for individual projects.

Creating potential design classics of the future, Rupert Scott is at the cutting edge of glass design, and every gorgeous piece is handmade and finished to the highest standard. All designs are very textured, created using the kiln-forming technique fusing multiple layers of glass and vibrant colours, creating and trapping tiny air bubbles that help to give the finished designs their 'zingy' appeal. Each is polished by hand to reveal a beautiful finish, as well as allowing the light to pass through, illuminating all the colours and luminescent bubbles.

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Editor's note:

Inspired in the beginning by the radical and vibrant work of renowned US glass artist, Dale Chihuly, each design from Rupert Scott's collection is bred out of a passion for glass but no piece is ever the same. With the natural play of light and its serene, sensuous quality, the use of glass in interiors can dramatically transform a space, especially as many of the designs have tactile, undulating surfaces.

Awards: Winner of Best New Innovation in the 2003 Tile Association awards, and finalist in Best Contemporary Wallcovering category of the 2003 Design & Decoration awards.

Rupert Scott's glass art designs are available from a number of contemporary galleries and lifestyle shops around the UK. For details please visit www.rupertscott.com/where.html.

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