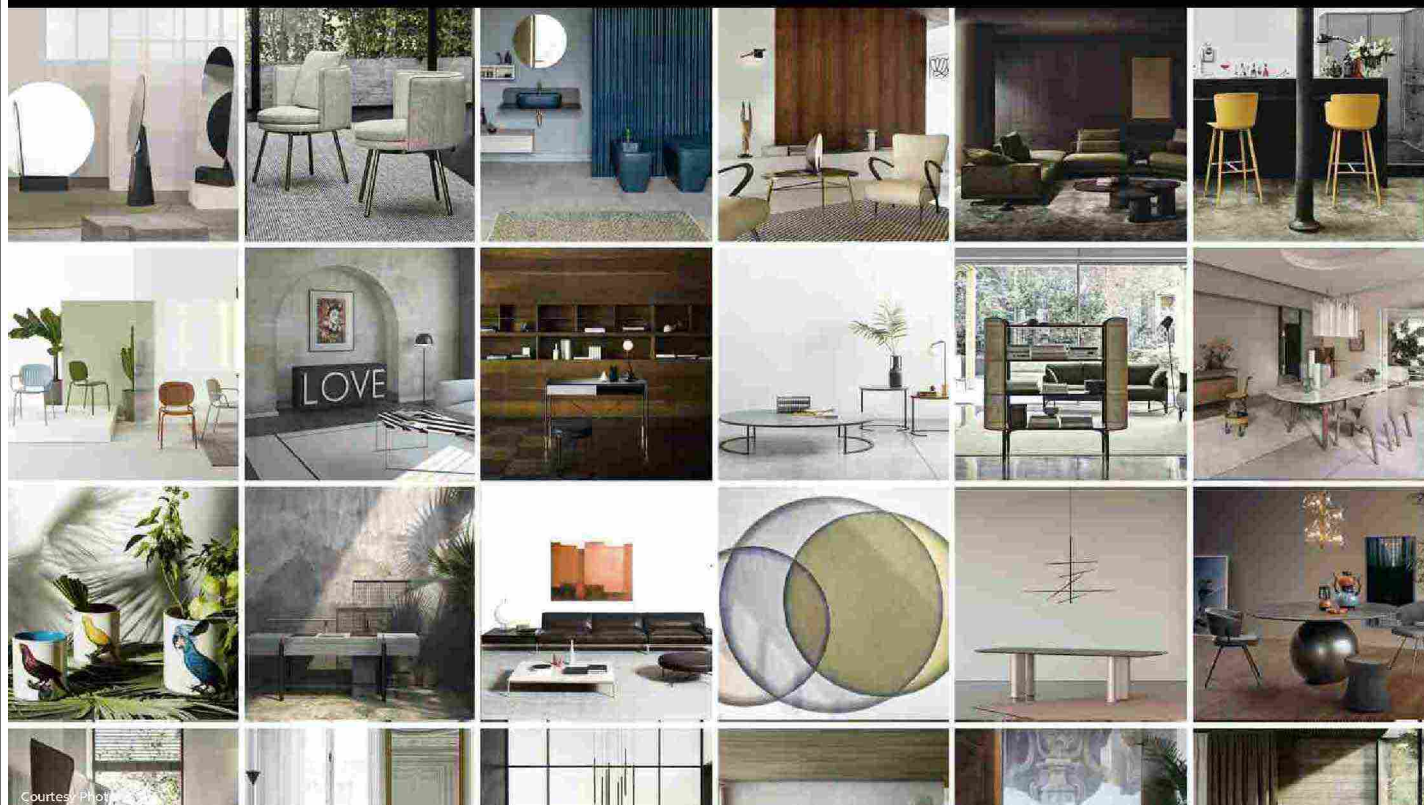


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163 NEW DESIGN FURNISHINGS WE SAW IN 2020

Tables, chairs, beds, sideboards, rugs, lights, kitchens...everything new from the past year



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2020 put our flexibility and capacity for adaptability to the test. Many of us worked from home, spent more time with family, and learned to meld public and private life. And when life changes radically, design can't help but follow suit.

In this sense, several **design trends of 2020** seemed decidedly clear. One among them: between collections conceived before the pandemic and others during, the invisible red thread linking **design objects and furnishings in 2020** is versatility, and the multitasking articulations that respond to a new flow of life.

It's as if we were asking new furnishings to accommodate themselves to our personal lives, following our free-flowing modernity and supporting our need to break down pre-established confines. Functions then, were hybridized: sofas integrate tables, desks disappear in sideboards, bar stools enter the kitchen, and armchairs in the living room move to the dining table. Everything is more personalized and modularity reigns supreme.

As far as forms are concerned, they return to reassure and console, rediscovering the roots of domestic life and comfort, often opening up to a graceful, sculptural,

and architectural decor.

With this in mind, we've gathered 24 pieces with all the **new design additions and trends of 2020**. We offer them to you in the hopes that, flipping through each one, they're able to give you a more clear picture of the year in design.

VASES, THE COLLECTIONS PRESENTED IN 2020



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Calligaris, Cappellini, and Fendi are just some of the brands that proposed **new vases in 2020**. The vase is an ancient and seemingly simple object, but its immediacy hides a complexity that requires great expertise from designers. They must both "contain" and bring an extract of nature inside. Other times, vases are used aesthetically without holding anything, offering the mere force of their design. In new catalogs, we find creative, scenic and artistic vases, and occasionally even a re-edition or two.

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NEW MIRRORS OF 2020



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The mirror is also an object with an ancient and immediate function, but the research of designers and companies never ends. In 2020, we discovered reflective surfaces that don't limit themselves to reproducing an image, but offer new decorative functions. Here then, mirrors that unite and divide other pieces. Mirrors that, hung on a wall or resting on the ground, modify our perception of light and space. Among the new mirrors of 2020, we find that with seven sides signed for Cantori by the young designer Luca Roccadadria ("Medea"), or Sky mirrors (pictured above), designed by **Monica Förster** for Zanat: artistic sculptures carved by hand in solid wood.

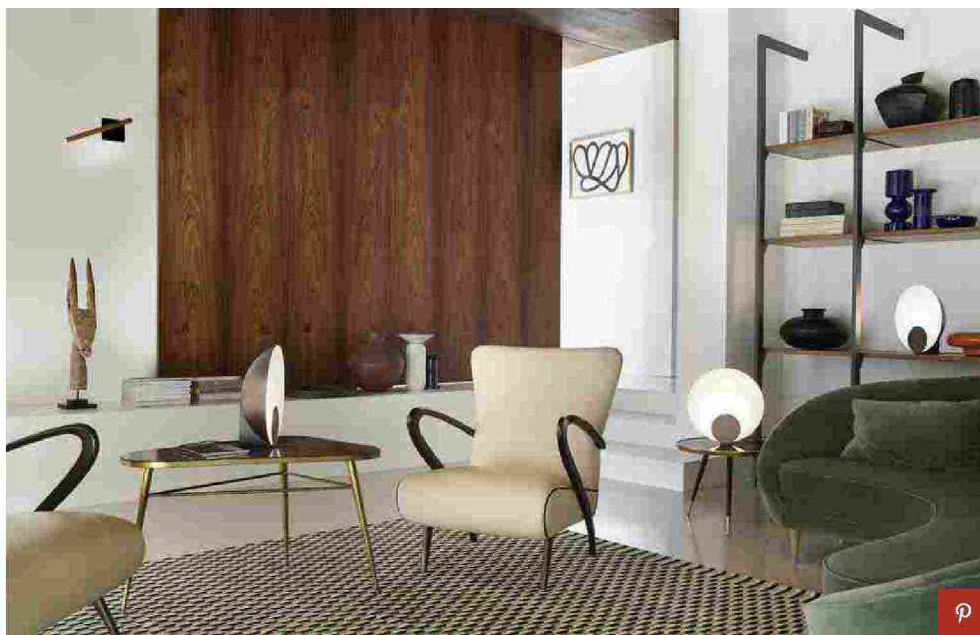
NEW SOFAS WITH INTEGRATED TABLES OF 2020



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The universe of sofas is evolving. So much so, that the word “sofa” risks being replaced by the term “system”. New upholstered pieces grow increasingly versatile, combining aesthetics with new functions and are, in most cases, modular and flanked by integrated tables or with other multitasking surfaces. Here then, appearing next to armrests or level with seats, are diverse extensions for support or storage (like the **Horizontal Sofa edition by DePadova**, pictured above). In 2020, we talked about these new sofas with tables that respond to an increasingly fluid and relaxed living or office space that perfectly adapts to smart working.

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Miro Zagnoli

FontanaArte, Qeboo, Artemide, and Martinelli Luce are just a few of the brands that have presented **new table lamps in 2020**. The new trend sees small lamps explore an increasingly creative and sculptural decor, so we looked at models that could also play their part when turned off. Like sofas, these lights discover new vocations in the wake of a more fluid lifestyle. For this, we examine cordless variants and nomadic models that can move from space to space, from residential interiors to outdoor bars and restaurants.

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NEW DINING CHAIRS OF 2020

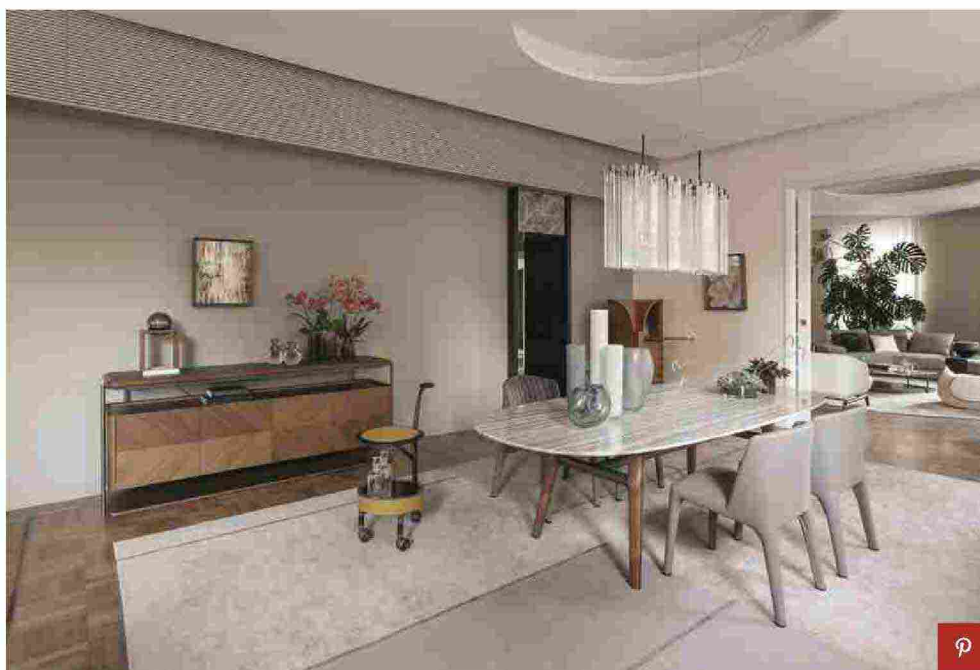


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We often say that the “zero movement” of the actor is to walk. The “zero” gesture of the designer, for us, is the chair. This year, among the many models, we talked about the **trends of 2020 armchairs in the dining room**. Fusing the softness of the bergère and the functionality of the wooden chair, these pieces flaunt a soft and welcoming backrest that tell of a relaxed comfort making its way into other areas of the home and office. Among those new this year, we saw additions from prestigious brands and designers like Patricia Urquiola for Moroso and Nendo Design for Minotti (pictured above).

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NEW BAR CARTS OF 2020

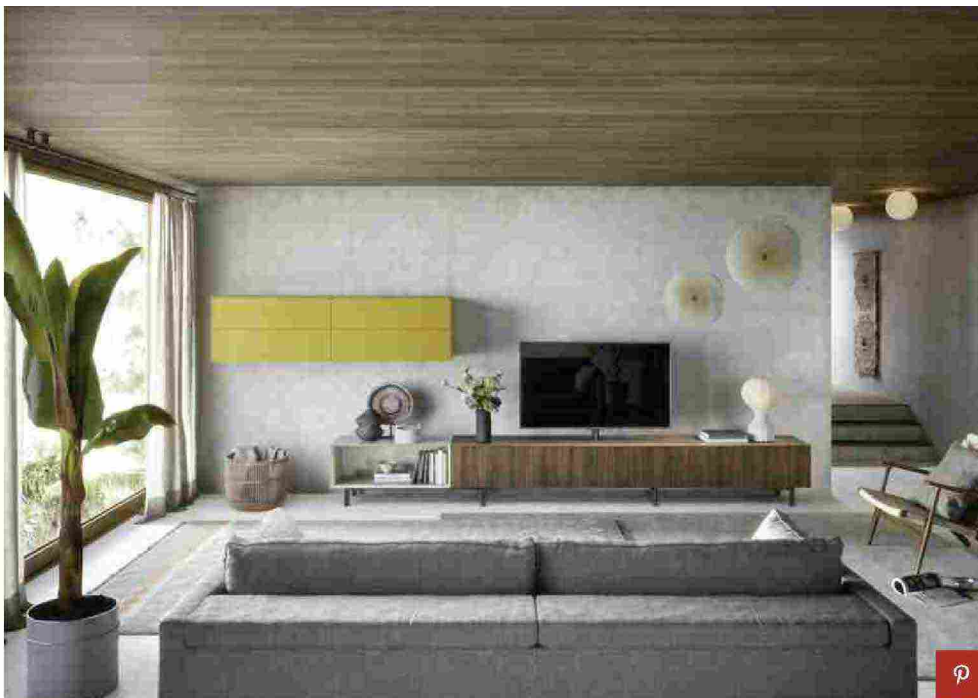


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It's true that we should sit comfortably at the dining table, but it's also true that we're spending much more time at home, and discovering new spaces to grab to a bite to eat, whether at breakfast, teatime, or pizza in front of the tv. It's with this that the **bar cart** has become a star in this domestic evolution: helpful and seemingly humble, in 2020 the trolley bar offered ingenious and interesting design solutions. Here then we find folding trays in wood and steel for all styles. And like many of the pieces we've covered so far, the cart on wheels is also multifunctional.

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NEW TV CONSOLES OF 2020

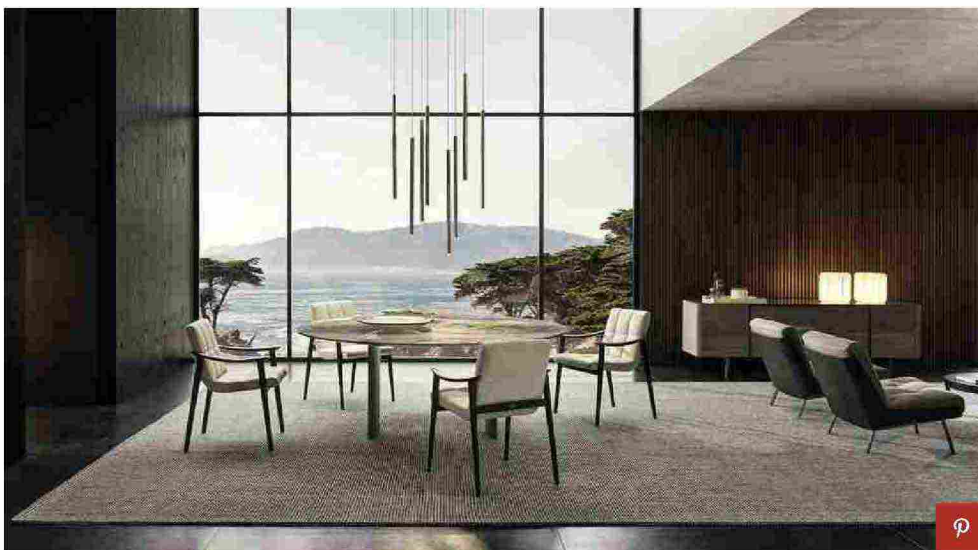


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A pizza in front of the tv, we said. But what does the tv rest on? We certainly don't want to limit ourselves to simple surfaces that fulfill only one function! It's important to invest in these kinds of furnishings for a multitasking environment, especially as they come center stage in modern and technological living areas. The **new tv stands for 2020** are as decorative as they are functional, capable of hiding cords and wires, adapting for height, but also storing objects inside drawers, cupboards and pockets. Wood is common, but we also see new explorations in opaque and brushed metals, marble, and ceramics.

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NEW ROUND DINING TABLES OF 2020



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King Arthur would be happy to find out that **round dining tables are back in**