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A cabinet supported by copper



Architect Joana Santos Barbosa set up INSIDHERLAND (www.insidherland.com), a company dedicated to design, production and sale of exclusive furniture. Drawn with the personal signature of the creator, the pieces of elegant and surprising design result from the embrace between the perfection of high technology and the expertise of valuable traditional craft techniques.

The Special Tree is a tree in which two lovers write the promise of an everlasting love; a small tree on the bank of a lake that stands out as the centre of a geometric composition. Five 'treetops' on polished copper 'trunks', form an imposing grove with the splendour of autumn colours in a mysterious creation where a high gloss finish allows us to imagine its reflection on the water's surface.

As in the autumnal palette, each one of the 'trees' of this creation has its own

appearance and character, setting up a dialogue with the others in a smooth transition that celebrates the harmony of the season. The craftsmanship on the roots and leaves of the tree emphasises the rich tonal variations and creates ripples that remind us of the wind swirling among branches, causing dry leaves to fall, spiralling down onto the water.

The base of the Special Tree is polished copper, giving the appearance of a piece of earth near the lake. It is engraved with five types of fallen leaves, one for each of the 'trees', a device that is repeated in recording the designer's name in the 'trunk'. Inside the cabinet, the warm tones of sunlight piercing the trees are captured in the high gloss, satinwood finish, punctuated by glass shelves. Small, wavy, copper 'branches' appear to be levitating while supporting the shelves.

More information on the uses of copper in the home can be found at:
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