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Hella Jongerius celebrates the sculptural quality of design in her latest products, artificial flowers and animal tables, which will be shown in Gallery kreo in Paris, April 2009.

Jongerius has become known for the way she explores the possibilities and boundaries of both handicraft and industrial techniques and subsequently stretches them beyond the already known. For instance, in many of her works she has succeeded in producing uniqueness within the industrial production process through an optimal exploitation of coincidences and even mistakes. Apart from this fascination for techniques, the narrative quality of products has always played a mayor role in her work. Stories seem to hide underneath the skin of products, due to the reinterpretation of historical decorative patterns, but also due to the imaginative use of the images of flowers and animals.

While exploring the technical and narrative possibilities of designs, Jongerius never crosses the 'natural' boundaries of the design field.

She has taken yet another experimental step within her career: the celebration of the sculptural quality of furniture and the 'missing link' of her vases, flowers. A flower has become design, a table has become frog, because they were intimately engaged with the material traces of the handcrafted production process.

Louise Schouwenberg, 2008.

• « artificial flowers »

A series of handmade flowers in glass, leather, paper and wood in ceramic vases that are also designed by Hella Jongerius

• « animal tables »

- « Frog » solid walnut lacquered table
- « Snail »
 small, leather-covered coffee table with a porcelain vase
 made by the Manufacture de Bernardaud in Limoges
- « Turtle » small, multi-coloured coffee table with a resin fruit bowl

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- 1 «Turtle» coffee table
- 2 «Frog» table
- 3 « artificial vases »

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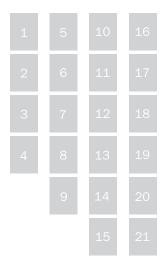
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- 1 #1 Pink Vase
- 2 #2 Pink Vase
- 3 #3 Pink Vase
- 4 #4 Pink Vase
- 5 #1 Black Vase
- 6 #2 Black Vase
- 7 #3 Black Vase
- 8 #4 Black Vase
- 9 #5 Black Vase
- 10 #1 White Vase
- 11 #2 White Vase
- 12 #3 White Vase 13 - #4 White Vase
- 14 #5 White Vase
- 14 #5 White Vase 15 - #6 White Vase
- 16 #1 Green Vase
- 17 #2 Green Vase
- 18 #3 Green Vase
- 19 #4 Green Vase
- 20 #5 Green Vase
- 21 #6 Green Vase











































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- 1 Model Turtle coffee table
- 2 Model Snail coffee table



