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PORTORO Interior Brings in Regal Korean Elegance with the New Pivoine Collection

As a way of bringing the world's best to local homes, the design firm has partnered with Korean ceramics artist Park Sun-Young for a series of delicately beautiful porcelain pieces



APRIL 2024 (Philippines) In the overlapping mythologies of the Far East, the delicate and multi-petaled peony has long been hailed as the King of Flowers. There is a good impetus for this: the gorgeous blooms are large yet exude a delicate elegance, their gentle fragrance is a harbinger of warmer weather for those chilled by the winter winds, and they come in numerous hues that delight the eye.

Indeed, the peony figured greatly in the aesthetic of Korea's Goryeo and Joseon Dynasties. During the former, it was a popular motif hand-painted onto ceramic artifacts of all kinds, particularly ceremonial vessels and dinnerware for the royal household. In the time of the latter, it became the motif of choice for screens used in temples and palaces: a symbol of regal splendor and wealth.

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Even today, the image of the peony is used by artists throughout the region in practically everything from dining ceramics to apparel and accessories. Despite the passage of time, it is a blossom that continues to be seen as a symbol of wealth and beauty - something explored by South Korean ceramics expert Park Sun-Young in her work, prime pieces of which have made their way into the Philippines by way of PORTORO Interior's new **Pivoine Collection**.

The Art of Eastern Excellence

Its name is essentially the French word for peony, and the Pivoine Collection truly captures the beauty and form of the fabled flower in each of the items that comprises it.

The floral motif featured on these fine porcelain items bear the delicate touch and excellent artistry of Park Sun-Young, a ceramicist whose work has been recognized across the globe thanks to her fine craftsmanship, attention to detail, and great respect for the techniques and standards laid down by generations of Korean artisans. Park makes her home in the South Korean town of Icheon, and this is significant as the area is famed for generations of porcelain artisans and exceptional products.

The three items making up the collection - pedestal-style presentation dish in two sizes, appetizer plate, and bowl - are carefully crafted by hand from initial forming to Park's personal application of the design as well as the dappled accents rendered in 10-karat gold.

Each elegant piece offers a modern take on a traditional pattern steeped in Korea's rich cultural heritage - and every item is bound to bring a refreshing oriental nuance that will bring richness and a subtle splendor to your home dining experience.

The Pivoine Collection is exclusively available via the official PORTORO Interior website: www.portoro-interior.com

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About PORTORO Interior

Founded in 2017 by Nathalie Küpfer Henares, **PORTORO Interior** is a design consultancy that brings together the best of European design and global craftsmanship through its offices in Manila, Paris, and Milan. It offers an exclusive collection of decorative accents and takes care of custom orders for bespoke *objets d'arts* for its clients in the Philippines. Online, it also presents insights regarding global architecture, design, and lifestyle to inspire readers and potential clients.

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The Pivoine Collection by PORTORO Interior



Pivoine Presentation Dish

Hand-painted Korean porcelain with individually applied 10-karat gold accents; comes in two sizes.

The smaller variant is the perfect container for small appetizers or desserts. The larger type can be used to serve hot or cold dishes or to display fresh fruit.



Pivoine Appetizer Plate

Exquisite porcelain pieces with hand-applied gold accents for an elegant touch of oriental minimalism.

An excellent choice for offering small bites at the beginning of dinner or during *apéritif* hour.

May also be used as a catch-all for personal items.

Sold as set of two.



Pivoine Bowls

These delicate peony-patterned bowls bring a refined oriental nuance to your table.

Perfect for either rice or soup, these are also excellent for presenting small side dishes, salads, and cold desserts.

Sold as set of two.