

# PTZE PORCELAIN HANDTURNED $\mathit{by}$ ANJA MEEUSEN

HANDMADE IN BELGIUM





You may wonder what ptze means. It comes from the old Flemish dialect, 'potazie' or 'potagie' and STANDS FOR COMPOTE OR SOUP EITHER FROM FRUIT OR VEGETABLES. BUT IT ALSO MEANS MIXTURE, COMPOSITION. And that is what I am doing: composing ethos.

COMPOSING ETHO

am passionate about porcelain. For 20 years now. I followed drawing and ceramic classes since I was II. I had two years of practice at potteries in Belgium and France.

Since 1998 ptze is an independent business developing exclusive collections of table ware and decoration.

The objects/pieces I make are the result of dedicated craftmanship.

I only work with the best natural materials and use raw porcelain clay from Limoges (France) for my ceramic objects because of its transparency, tension and its most definite and uniquely pretentious edge.

Each object is turned or formed by hand to achieve the balance between the material and the finished product. As such it gets its my personal signature.

The artistic shape goes beyond functionality. But obviously they must be usable and handy, preferably for many years.

I invite you to enjoy this porcelain. It has been made for your pleasure; you deserve it. Enjoy the journey

Anja Meeusen



go for a hand turned approach. I hand turn all objects in my own studio in West Malle. As such I touch all porcelain and give it my personal signature.

This way of working needs a long production time, but it results in a unique and personal object. It is part of my passion and love for what I am doing.

Porcelain is a natural product so shrink due to baking can vary from pack to pack. Since everything is turned by hand without a mold, the dimensions can slightly vary.

Accepting that porcelain takes the lead

It is porcelain that decides how much you can do with it. It forces a constant dialogue between artist and material."

An intense production process:

- · First turn
- Drying very slowly under plastic so the material becomes like leather
- · Final turn, work on the bottom
- Drying during ten days in a separate room
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- · First sanding
- Baking in an electric oven (max 1030°C) in a third room (12 hours on, 12 hours off)
- Second sanding and cleaning with water (remove dust)
- · Glazing (own recipe)
- · Dipping (old technique)
- Baking in a second electric oven (max I280°C) in a third room (I2 hours on, I2 hours off)
- · Quality control
- Painting of the best pieces with gold and bake again (700°C).



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Classic 033 plate Classic 025 plate Classic 015 plate Classic 009 bowl



Classic 022 bowl Classic 029 bowl



Classic 029 pasta







Callas 008 bowl Callas 013 bowl

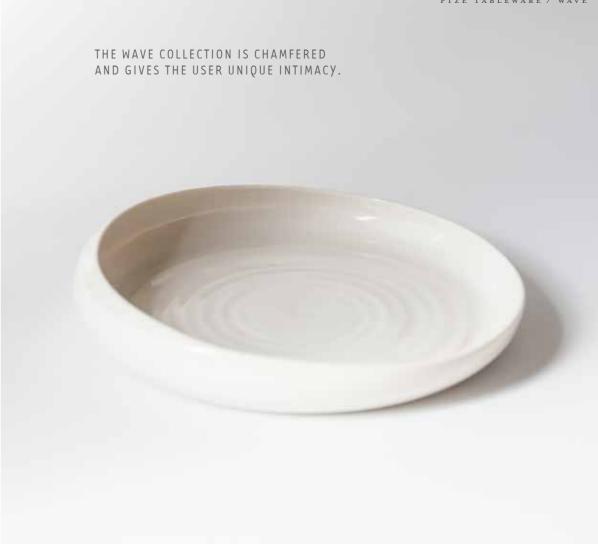
Callas 026 plate Callas 022 plate Callas 014 plate







Wave 022 plate Wave 012 bowl Wave 010 bowl





Vier 017h bowl Vier 014h bowl Vier 010h bowl

Vier 008h bowl Vier 011 bowl

Vier 028 bowl Classic 033 plate Vier 020 bowl Vier 027 plate Vier 015 bowl Vier 016 plate Claasic OII bowl



Selected by 'Talente' Munchen



Vier" means 4 - the four edges of a square. But in Dutch it also means "to celebrate" and that is what I want to say: being together, sharing, celebrating.



Vier 006h cup



Vier 006h cup /Vier 011 bowl



Vier OIIh cup



Vier 006h cup / 000 plate



Lotus 004h cup



Cocoon 007h cup / Classic 016 plate



Tempëte 006h cup



Kiss 007h cup / Classic 016 plate



## COCOON CREATES INTIMACY



Lotus 008 bowl Classic 033 plate

< Cocoon OII bowl Cocoon OO6 bowl



Tree 017 plate Tree 020 plate





### IN THE LOTUS COLLECTION YOU SEE THE BEAUTIFUL LEAF OF THE EXOTIC FLOWER







Oil and vinigar 005h

Leaf 010h jug



Sun 006h teapot / Sun 008 cup



Tempëte 008h jug



Trappist 015h jug



Moon OIIh teapot / Moon 007H cup

THE 'KISS' COLLECTION CONSISTS OF TWO PIECES: ONE WITH A DENT AND ONE WITH A BULGE. AS SUCH THEY ARE CONNECTED. THEY ARE PRESENTED ON AN ELEGANT PLATE. THIS DESIGN RECEIVED THE UNESCO DESIGN AWARD.





Kiss OII plate / Kiss OO8 plate set (4p.)



Kiss 007h cups set (2p.)



Kiss 007h cups set (2p.)



Kiss 0011 bowl set (4p.)





Oriental 007 / 015 bowl Oriental 010h bowl Classic 036 plate





## Text selected



Carouge 006 bowl / leafstalk 18k gold Ttree 017 plate



THE NEW LINO COLLECTION HAS ITS DECORATION IMPRINTED WHERE ONLY THE PLATE HAS BEEN GLAZED, NOT THE DRAWING.





Ornament 023 plate Cocoon 006 bowl / gold

Ornament tempëte 007h cup Ornament tempëte 030 tray



Cocoon 008h hang-down candle Cocoon 017h-021h vases







Cocoon 008 candle < Leaf 008 bowl / gold

PLEASE FIND HERE EXAMPLES OF GIFT BOXES. HOWEVER, YOU CAN COMPOSE YOUR
OWN GIFT BOX AND GIVE IT A PERSONAL TOUCH.



Cocoon 008 bowl



Oriental 015h bowl



Drop 022h vases



Ornament 023 plate / Cocoon 006 bowl gold



Leaf 014 bowl



Kiss 007h cups set (2p.)



Moon OIIh teapot / Classic 009 cup, 016 plate



Oriental square 010h bowl





Cloud 009 plate / 011 plate



Cloud 009h vase / 007h vase



Cloud 016h bowl / 006h bowl



Cloud OII plate / cushion 000

It is possible to engrave a name in the porcelain. That is then more transparent if a candle is burning inside and becomes a very nice birth set.



THE CONCEPT OF THIS BOULDER IS A SONG BY THE DUTCH SINGER BRAM VERMEULEN:
'IK HEB EEN STEEN VERPLAATST IN DE RIVIER VAN HET LEVEN.'
OR 'I MOVED A STONE IN THE RIVER OF LIFE.'
THE BOULDER CAN BE FILLED UNDERNEATH AND IS VERY DECORATIVE IN OPEN SPACE



Farwell stone 016 urn

AND THEN I SAY: MY HANDS, MAKE THE EARTH DANCE, SQUEAL ITS GLEAMING WAVE.
BUT PLEASE BE CAREFUL: BETWEEN THE FESTIVE JAR AND THE DEAD END OF THE URN IT IS
ONLY A LOW PRESSUREOF YOUR FINGERS!

TRANSLATED FROM PAT L'EAU ET LE FEU, DANIEL DE MONTMOLLIN













Model 006h candle Model 016 bowl Model 010 coaster Lotus 007h cup



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#### **EXPERIENCES**

- 2 years internship in France and Belgium
- 1998: became independent PTZE porselein company.
- 2000: selected for Vizo Department for Design (Design Vlaanderen)
- 2001: selected for Talente at Munich
- 2002: selected for Design 21 UNESCO
- 2014: Expo Paris Elephant Paname with magazine "Résidence et décoration"
- Exhibition with the Embassy of Craftsmanship and selected for Classica Kortrijk
- 2018: Publication of the book 'Ambassadeurs van de Belgische gastronomie' in collaboration with the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 2019-2021 selection for "Master-Learner trajectory" of the Ministry of Cultural Affairs Flanders
- 2019: selected for biënnale of Carouge (Switzerland), one of the largest ceramic fairs in Europe.

Atelier PTZE Porselein has cooperated with a.o.:
Hotel Julien Antwerpen, Restaurant Het Gebaar
Roger Vandamme, Star restaurant De Lindenhof,
De Cospaia Brussel Bruneau en Marcel Wolterinck,
Soenil Bahadoer (twee Michelinsterren), Society Linnen
Brussel, Restaurant Couvert-Couvert Leuven,
Restaurant De lijsterbes Berlare, Tommorowland,
Restaurant en hotel Sans Cravate Brugge, Axel Enthoven en Tania Mintjens 'Zymbioz', Pinkeye designstudio
'lotustiles', Paul van Egmond intérieur Roosendaal,

Ante Quercus Zundert, Belgocatering Aalst,
Designfonction München, A.PUUR.A Gent, Nyche lighting Schoten, Moka en Vanille Bed en breakfast, Abdij
van Westmalle, Progress Brussel, Fleur de Sel Turnhout,
Val Saint Lambert,

D&M depot, Homestore Antwerpen en Knokke, Home of Obsession and many others...

REWARDS - EXPO

### Gegrond (2016)

Porcelain and ceramic objects were presented in a simple and raw environment of a clay barn. Culinary bites and special drinks from Westmalle completed the experience of all senses. The exhibition was in collaboration with Terca Quirynen and AID Architects.

### In het oog (2017)

On 25 June 1967 a devastating tornado hit
Oostmalle. Only the church tower remained.
Fifty years later (September 2017) the church
tower and two companies that were founded under
the church tower, PTZE porcelain and Out-Standing,
organized "In het oog", an
exhibition for all senses.



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