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J. HILL'S STANDARD HAND-CUT CRYSTAL BY MARTINO GAMPER AND SCHOLTEN & BAIJINGS

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It's hard to find cut glassware or fine cut crystal with modern motifs, but <u>J. HILL's Standard</u>, a new mouth-blown hand-cut crystal maker from Ireland has entered the scene... They've set out to revive the near-dead Irish hand-cut crystal industry with debut collections by Martino Gamper and Scholten & Baijings. Working with master craftsmen, this new collection of crystal is a marriage of traditional craft and modern design.



The Elements series by Scholten & Baijings is an interesting departure from their usual colorful designs because in this case, they're working only with pattern. Each glass in the Elements series has a different design so that the customer can create their own collection of glasses—choose a matching set or a change it up with a variety of different patterns. The glass sizes aren't prescriptive, therefore you can use them for just about any beverage. To round out the collection, they've also included a decanter.





Stefan Scholten describes it as "A rich assemblage of graphic markings and opaque tones is what defines this collection of lead crystal glassware. Cuts and textures of varying depth and intensity are employed across glasses to create a landscape of layered pattern that is fresh and seductive."



The other debut collection is called Cuttings by Martino Gamper, which is slightly more consistent in its design, featuring three distinctive cuts across the entire family of glassware.



Gamper says: "My approach to the technique for this collection is about revealing the potential of the cutting process. The glasses feature deep and expressive cuts far beyond the usual superficial and decorative surface."



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