

## PERFECTLY PRETTY PASTELS

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**BELOW:** Norfolk-based jewellery designer Monica Vinader

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As Monica explains, she and Florence share a common love of the Bahamian coast, with the collaboration inspired by the healing power of nature.

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Born in San Sebastian, Spain, Monica studied fine arts in London and was introduced to jewellery design at her first job.

Her pieces have been worn by everyone from the Duchess of Cambridge to Kylie Minogue, Emma Watson and England manager Gareth Southgate, who is a fan of the brand's friendship bracelets.

The ceramics collection is made up of groups of nesting dishes in three pastel shades: Bahama Blue, Island Yellow and Sunset Pink, finished with a hand-painted gold rim to catch the light.

The dishes are available as a matching or multi-coloured set.

The Monica Vinader x Florence St George collection is available to buy online at [monicavinader.com](http://monicavinader.com) now.



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 Pictures: MONICA VINADER



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