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***Mario Cangini and Nicola Silvagni founded Department Five in 2007.***

***Their passionate vision roots in a deep fashion knowledge and is carefully manufactured by Catria Confezioni, from 1970 focused on cut and tailoring.***

***To fully understand Department Five story, it is essential to go back to 1977, when Cangini opens Space Number Five, a small boutique in Milano Marittima, on the Riviera Romagnola in Italy, which will quickly turn into a directional store for the whole fashion system, with the shortened name of Space. He flawlessly mixes unique vintage pieces with the most exciting brands of the time, like Azzedine Alaïa, Montana, Kenzo, Thierry Mugler, Jean Paul Gaultier and Comme Des Garçons.***

***Nicola Silvagni is then young and hugely into music and fashion and when he comes across Cangini and his free-spirited universe. He acknowledges Mario's outstanding aesthetic and happily joins Space team. Silvagni and Cangini turn into real friends, with the same unconventional way to engage customers with the right product at the right time. They can feel the trends before they get too mainstream and they only buy collections they firmly believe in.***

***When they launch Department Five in 2007, with Silvagni as the Creative Director and Cangini as his strategic alter-ego, they start with menswear. Their key point is blending workwear and military functionality with a rock attitude and the most intriguing trends of the time. The brand is well distributed in important retails as Sugar - Antonia Milano - Coin Excelsior - Stefania Mode - Julian Fashion and Samsung (Korea).***





THE FACTORY

*Department Five is entirely produced by Catria confezioni Spa, an Italian company based in the Marche region with a great experience in technical and innovative solutions for fashion. The story started in 1970 with a focus on trousers cutting and tailoring, and it grew by completing the productive process through modeling, ironing and fabric research in the 80's. A strong expertise in laundry and dyeing also comes from Lavanderia Adriatica Company, which is part of the same group.*

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THE DNA

*Blending workwear and military functionality with a rock attitude and with the most exciting trends is what we design as Department Five. Provide top stores and much loved customers with great Made in Italy products where good quality meets consistent pricing is what we do.*

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THE RESEARCH

*Department Five team is travelling all the time to scan the most sophisticated fashion scene in London, Los Angeles, New York, Tokyo and Paris . We love the vintage scene and we collect the most incredible pieces we find around the world to source new inspiration from the past.*

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