



Within designer collective Utilise.objects, Giel Dedeurwaerder and Brent Neve studied the possibilities of wood for their designs. They also investigated the food safety aspect. This is how they got the idea for a tea service. The tasks were divided up in no time: While one designer focused on the design, the other went in search of the most food-safe finish for the wood. Together with the Serax technical team, they also looked for alternative industrial production techniques.

Inspired by Japanese designs, Giel and Brent created cups made of solid acacia wood and a cast-iron teapot. The combination of the warm wood tone and the indestructible cast iron gave the service exactly those durable, functional, and aesthetic characteristics that the duo was looking for. And those features have been awarded the Henry Van de Velde Award 2019 in the Habitat category.

## BRENT NEVE & GIEL DE DEURWAERDER



Giel Dedeurwaerder: "The Collage tea service is based on the perfect balance between material, shape and proportion, and on the idea that tableware can also serve perfectly well as decoration, instead of being stored away after use."

## MATERIALS

Cast Iron  
Composition: 100% iron  
Finishing: black enamel inside + black painting outside  
Production: Handmade  
Thermal shock resistance: 100°C

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## OPERATIONAL USAGE

Tableware  
Food safe  
Microwave proof: No  
Dishwasher proof: No  
Salamander proof: No  
Can be used for all heat sources except microwave

## SPECIAL CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Before first use:  
- Rinse the inside thoroughly. Wash and dry completely with a soft cloth. Daily use:  
- Use a trivet board of any protective material when putting the teapot on a table  
After use:  
- Cool down before cleaning  
- Rinse directly after use  
- Dry inside and outside immediately  
- Don't use detergents  
- If the stains are persistent, use a soft sponge. Never use harsh cleaning products.

## PACKAGING

Gift box  
Volume & dimensions are available upon request.



## MATERIALS

Acacia wood  
Finishing: Matt varnish  
Production: Handmade  
Thermal shock resistance: 100°C

## OPERATIONAL USAGE

Tableware  
Food safe  
Microwave proof: No  
Dishwasher proof: No  
Oven proof: No  
Salamander proof: No

## SPECIAL CARE INSTRUCTIONS

We advise to wash by hand using a soft sponge + soft detergents. The wooden cup should not hold liquids for longer than 12 hours. We advise to empty, rinse and dry your cup immediately after use to avoid cracks.

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