



CATALOG 2020

RESEARCH & MANUFACTURING **STUDIO**  
OF **LUMINAIRES & MATERIALS**  
MADE OF **SOFT MINERAL POLYMER**

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Mu because Mu is a mythical land an unknown territory. *The Mu Empire*.

In french, «*mu*» means «*moved*» and also «*moulted*»  
So we've moved from skin to skin. A sensuality of matter,  
a movement that makes it feel alive.

Finally Mu borrowed from Japanese culture and Zen spirituality represents  
what is not . In the West, it's very difficult to translate it.  
However, for the Asians it is limpid, this emptiness is full, full of emptiness.  
It is an entity. In Zen, (and I do not pretend to be a specialist in it at all), one  
can answer «mu» when one cannot answer either by yes or by no....

I take my inspiration from it like this: it is an «in between», between yes and  
no there is mu.

This space is infinite, isn't it? Mu.

Often, in exhibitions, the public discovering our lights, convinced that what  
they see is solid, rigid, think of porcelain. When they  
ask «Is it porcelain», we are often tempted to answer «mu». So instead we  
invite them to touch.

Using their experience rather than their impression.

Émilie Grière



*Être entre . Être mu.  
To be between . To be on the move. To be mu.*

## Innovative know-how

MU brings together a craftswoman and a designer to create and manufacture a collection of high-end silicone lighting fixtures, entirely handmade in their workshop and office in Pantin located in the east of Paris.

Each one of their luminaire is to CE standards, supplied with instructions, precautions for use and certificate of authenticity.

EMILIE GRIERE and JÉRÉMIE BERNARD work in a process of artisanal design.

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A HYBRID COMPANY BETWEEN DESIGN AND CRAFTSMANSHIP, WITH AN UNCOMMON KNOW-HOW:  
THE HANDCRAFTED USE OF SILICONE.



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## An artist/A product designer

### Two backgrounds that meet

The craftswoman **Emilie Griere** is «between». Between innovation and know-how, sculpture and object. Its primary motivation is to exploit the intrinsic qualities, both plastic and aesthetic, of composite materials. Through research and experimentation, she has developed a sensitive and delicate material.

New aspects and materials emerge.

After the creation of several unique pieces and luminous works in fiber-glass, she develops from 2015 a collection of silicone lights, under the brand name mu. She collaborates with the designer Jérémie Bernard in an artisanal design approach. Together, they develop new techniques for working with silicone.

Inspired by clay and plaster work, these techniques create new materials, the stamping of silicone and glass cloth becomes silicone paper.

**Jérémie Bernard** has a double background as a designer and trumpet player.

From his training at ENSAAMA, he has kept close contact with the practices of the crafts. He quickly started a collaboration with Henri Selmer Paris, a top-of-the-range wind instrument maker. With this semi-industrial manufacturer, a sort of modern factory, he developed an approach to design connected to the traditional gestures and know-how of the craftsmen. A designer at the factory.

The close collaboration with the craftsman Émilie GRIERE allows him to explore the relationship between the artisanal gesture, innovation and the notion of series. Together they create Mu, a collection of four-handed luminaires.







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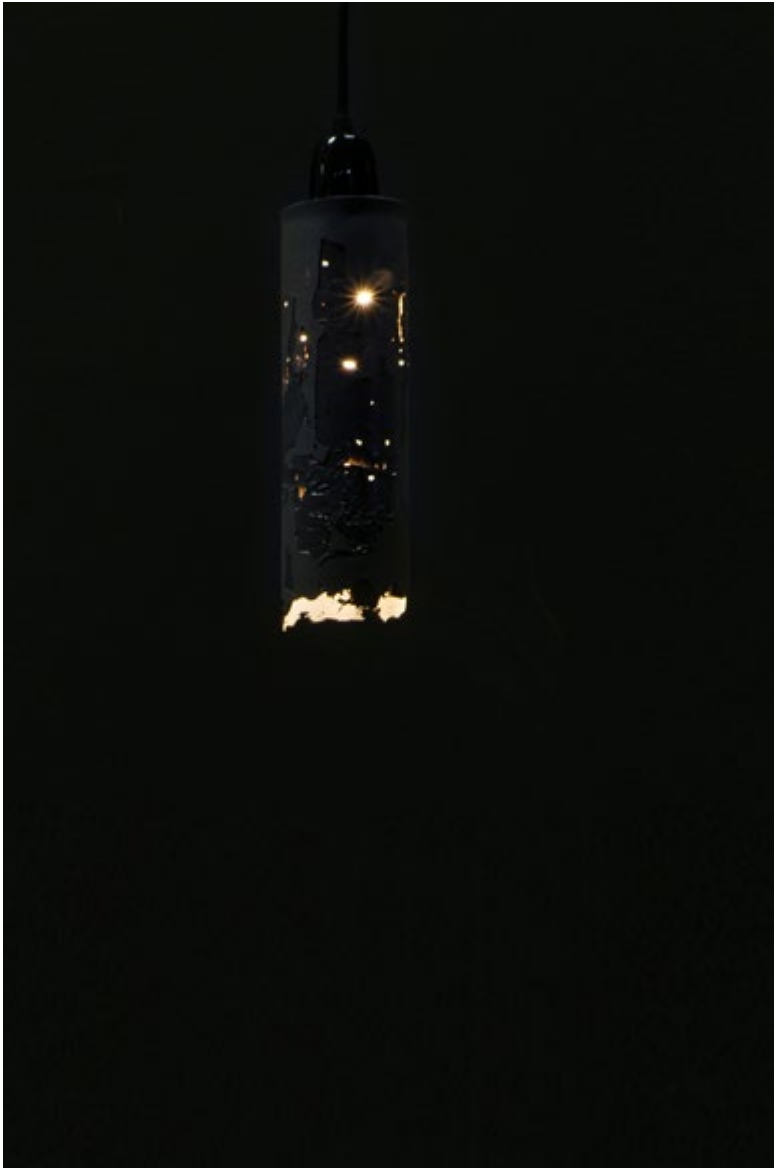


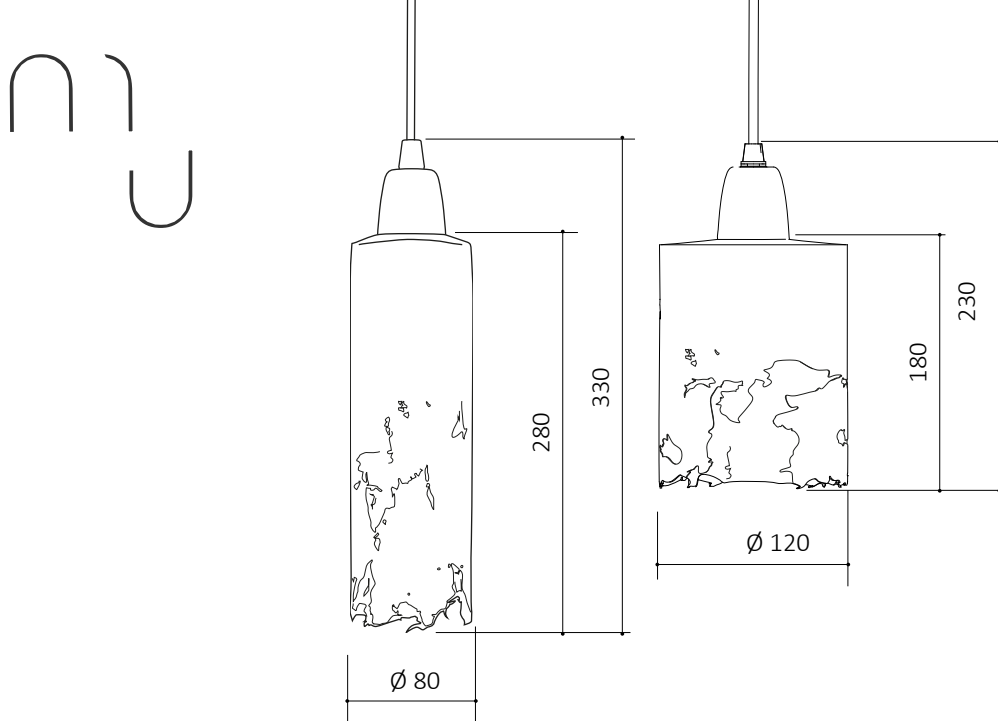
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Subtil silicone kind of lithophane image  
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## Technical Data

Porcelain socket base E27.

Available in 2 sizes, Long or Large

Compatible with all dimmable led bulbs.

Supplied with E27 LED bulb, 3000 Kelvin 7,5W.

Available in white or black.

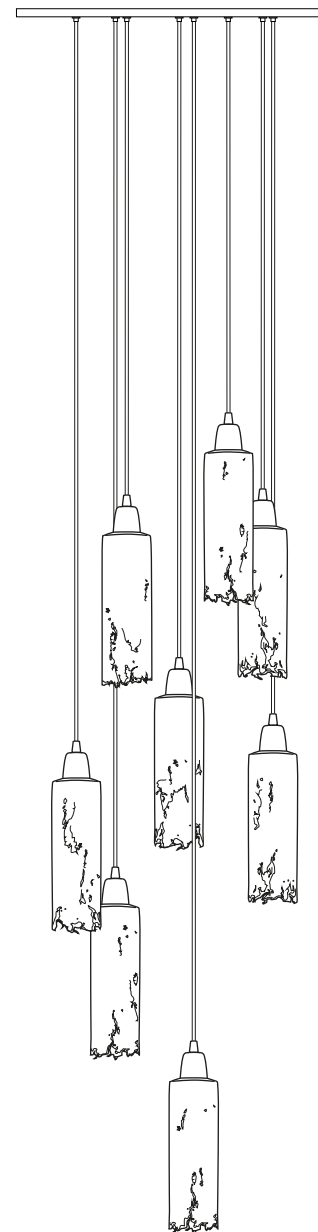
Porcelain socket or brass socket (only for the black model).

Cotton sheathed electric wire. length 1m. If longer, please consult us.

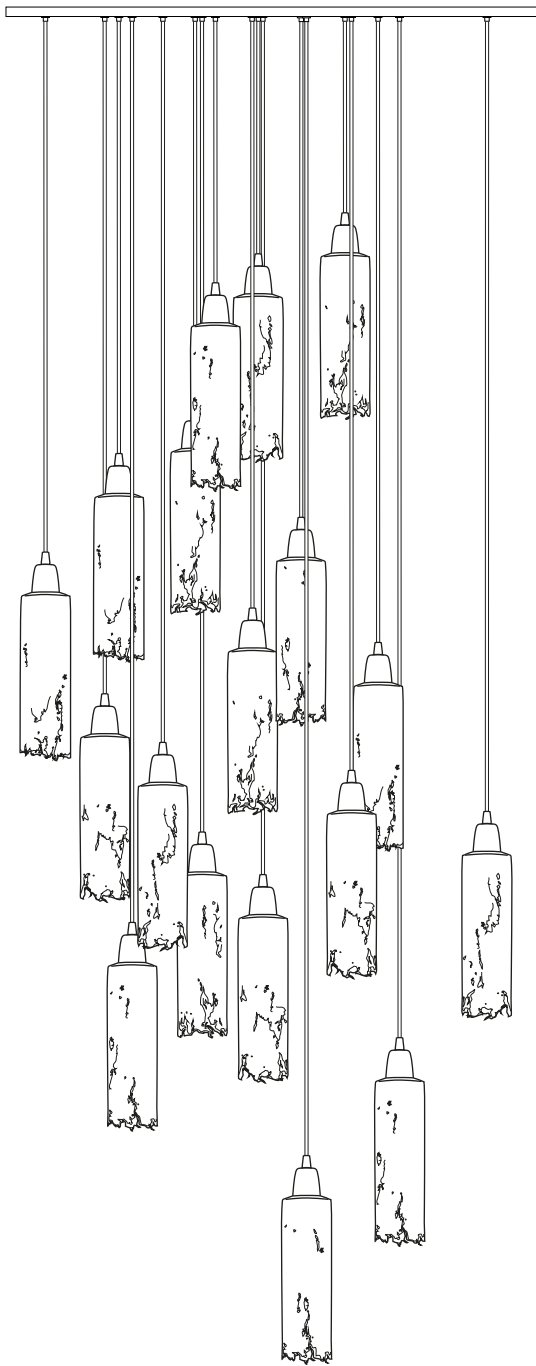
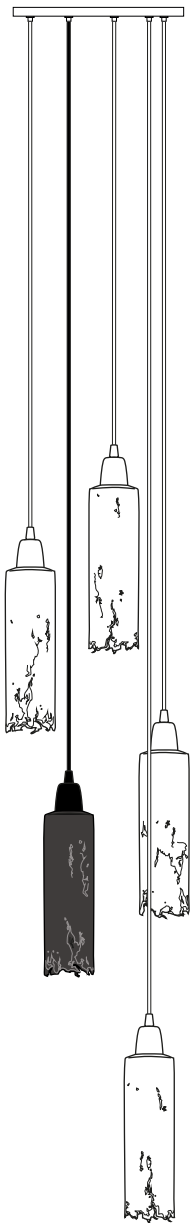
Washable with water or damp sponge.

Connection 220-230 volts 50-60Hz.

CE standard.



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*«Silicone is still a relatively new material. Creators have to invent new gestures and develop some specific skills. Those soft and flexible lights with subtle and emotive texture will add some poesy to your home. Snowy white, charcoal black, or deep blue, MU is unexpected, strange, surprising.»*







ALBATROS

*«Que leurs ailes de géants n'empêchent plus désormais de marcher»*

# ALBATROS

The ALBATROS suspension is an allegory of Baudelaire's eponymous poem «The Albatross»

In this homage the poet finds his wings again.

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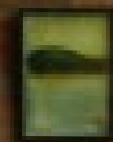
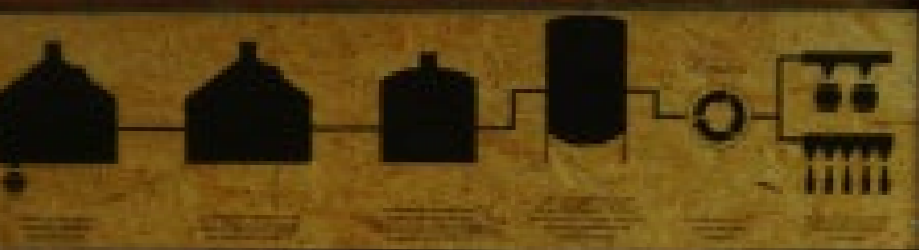
*Là-haut où l'albatros est du blanc d'innocence  
Cette blancheur têtue dont rêvent les jaloux  
Qui regardent passer ces oiseaux du silence  
Ils peuvent me rogner Les ailes , je m'en fous*

*Y a pas qu'des albatros au dessus des cités  
Y a pas qu'des albatros au dessus des pavés  
Il y a tous ceux qui voudraient bien ne plus jamais  
Plus jamais voir voler  
Les albatros*

*Que leurs ailes de géants n'empêchent plus désormais  
De marcher... de marcher...de marcher....de marcher...*

*Les Albatros. Léo Ferré, ZOO.  
Album La Solitude -1971*



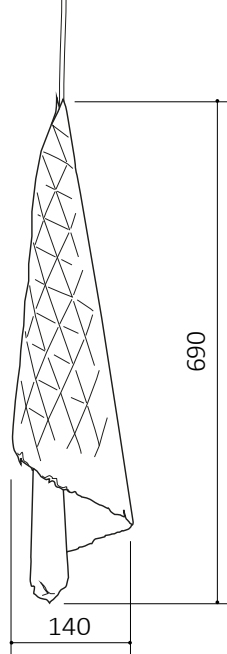


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Mu in the Zanutta showroom.  
57 rue de Bourgogne, Paris.  
Ouverture by Zanutta  
Mood board #1 Florence  
Design & Art Direction by  
Gian Paolo Venier



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# ALBATROS

**Reinforced silicone folding.  
Subtle silicone Origami.  
Each example is unique.  
Craft gesture combined with design skills.**

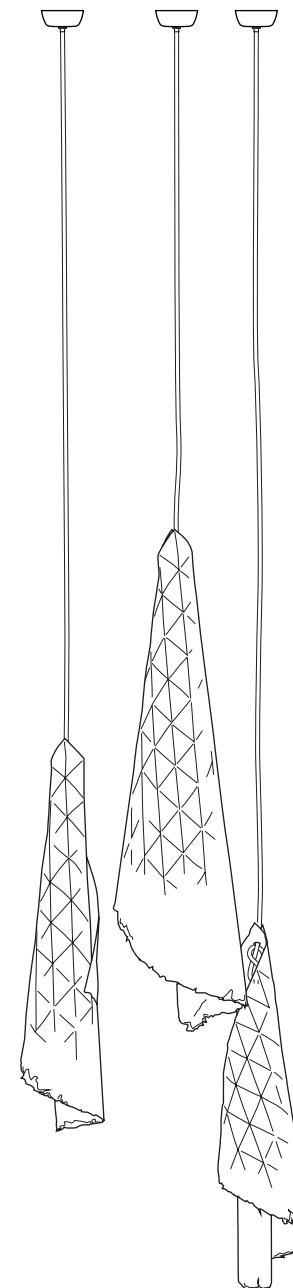
## Technical Data

Available in 4 sizes: Extra 1280mm/320mm - Large 900mm/240mm - Medium 690mm/140mm or Small 510mm/ 120mm.  
Porcelain socket base E27.  
Compatible with all dimmable LED bulbs.  
Delivered in option with TALA bulb, different according to the model.  
Recommended with a 2700 to 3500 Kelvin led bulb, between 4W and 12W.  
Textile coated electric wire. Length 1m. If longer, please consult us.  
5 colours to choose from: rope / white cotton / aniseed / anthracite / black.

Washable with water or damp sponge.

Connection 220-230 volts 50-60Hz.

CE standard.





# FALAISE 2020

For 2020, the FALAISE model has a new look.

Associated with a 14cm conical concrete socket, the silicone shape is supported by a large oval opal glass bulb...

The silicone half-sphere with impressions of strata evoking the earth's crust contrasts with the imposing and strict black concrete socket.

## Technical Data

Silicone half-sphere Ø 22 cm h 11 cm

Concrete socket 14cm-5cm E27 base.

Supplied with *Oval* TALA bulb.

Cotton-covered electrical wire. Length 1m. If longer, please consult us.

Washable with water or damp sponge.

Connection 220-230 volts 50-60Hz.

CE standard.





FALAISE

Silicone stained black half -sphere embossed insterted in a porcelain socket

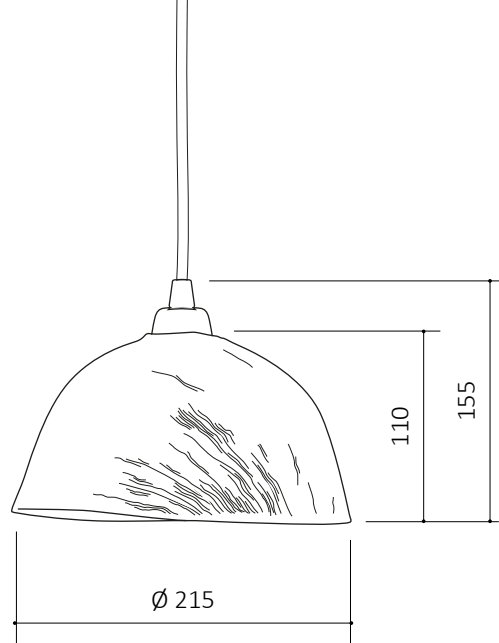
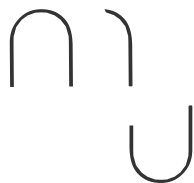
The surface presents a refinded play of relief, evoking earth's crust and limestone cliffs.

Basaltic black...

# FALAISE

Silicone half -sphere embossed by hand insterted in a porcelain socket  
The surface presents a refinded play of relief, evoking earth's crust and  
limestone cliffs.  
Each exemplar is unique





# FALAISE

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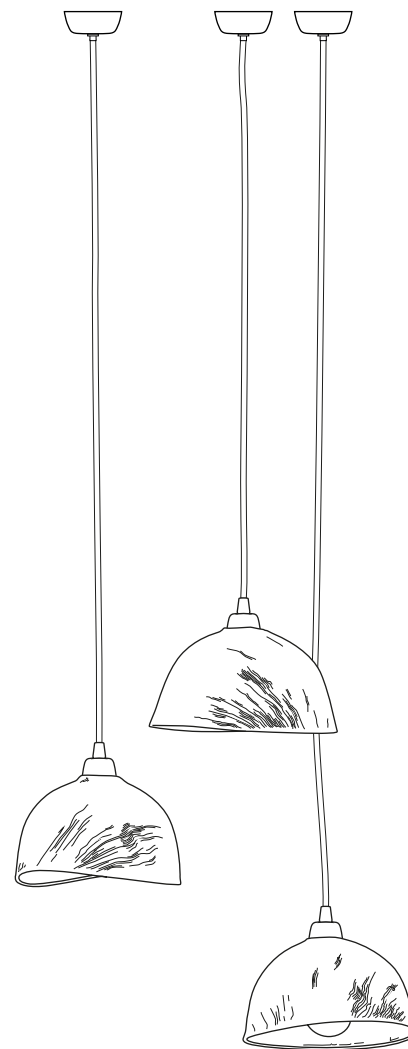
## Technical Data

Porcelain socket base E27.  
 Compatible with all dimmable led bulbs.  
 Supplied with one E27 2700 Kelvin 5W LED filament bulb.  
 Delivered in option with *Oval* TALA bulb.  
 Cotton coated electric wire. Length 1m. If longer, please consult us.  
 6 colours available: rope / white cotton / fluo yellow / fluo red / aniseed / petrol.

Washable with water or damp sponge.

Connection 220-230 volts 50-60Hz.

CE standard.







# BURO

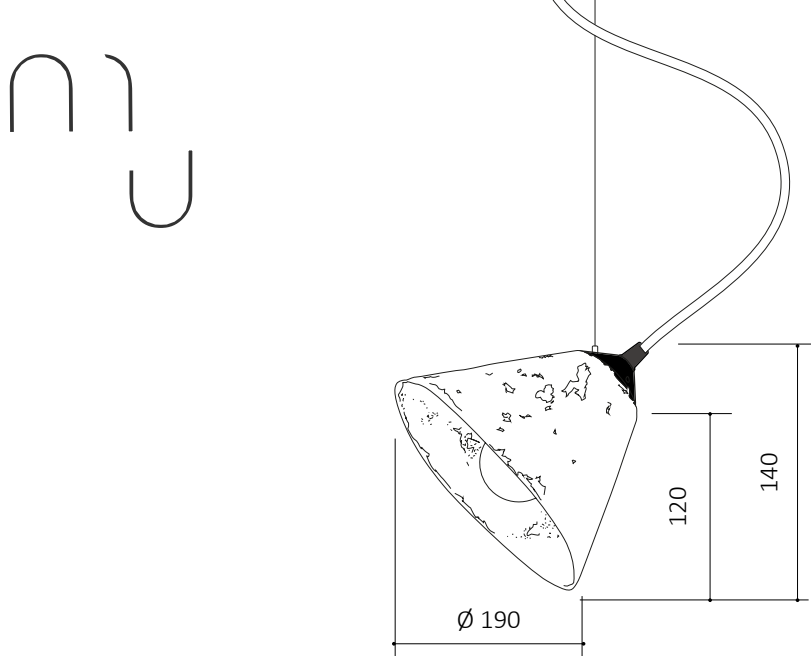
Silicone cone hand embossed inserted in a conical E 27 black bakelite socket.  
The lamp is suspended on a steel cable.  
In contrast with silicone softness, the surface has a raw texture that looks like lime plaster.

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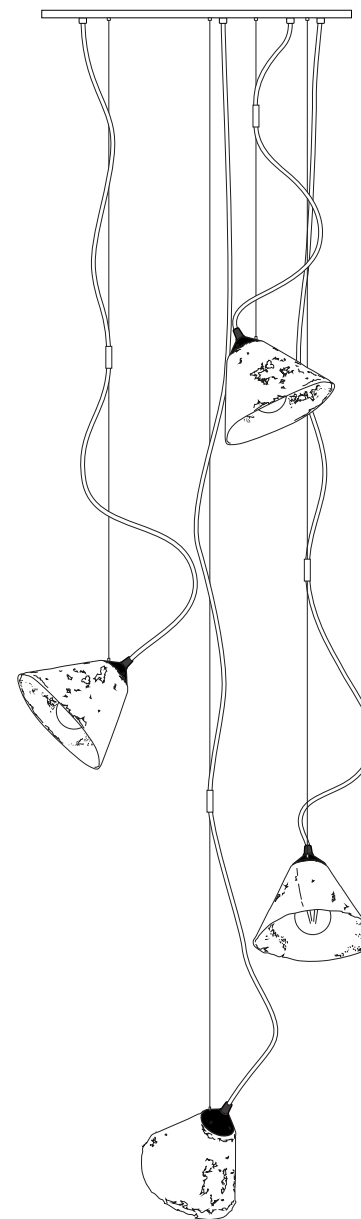
## Technical Data

Black bakelite socket E27 base.  
 Compatible with all dimmable led bulbs.  
 Supplied with one E27 LED spot bulb, 2700 Kelvin 7W.  
 Textile coated electric wire. Length 1m or 3m. If longer, please consult us.  
 8 colours to choose from:  
 rope / white cotton / black / olive green / aniseed yellow / petrol / anthracite.  
 Stainless steel cable. Length 1m or 3m. If longer, please consult us.

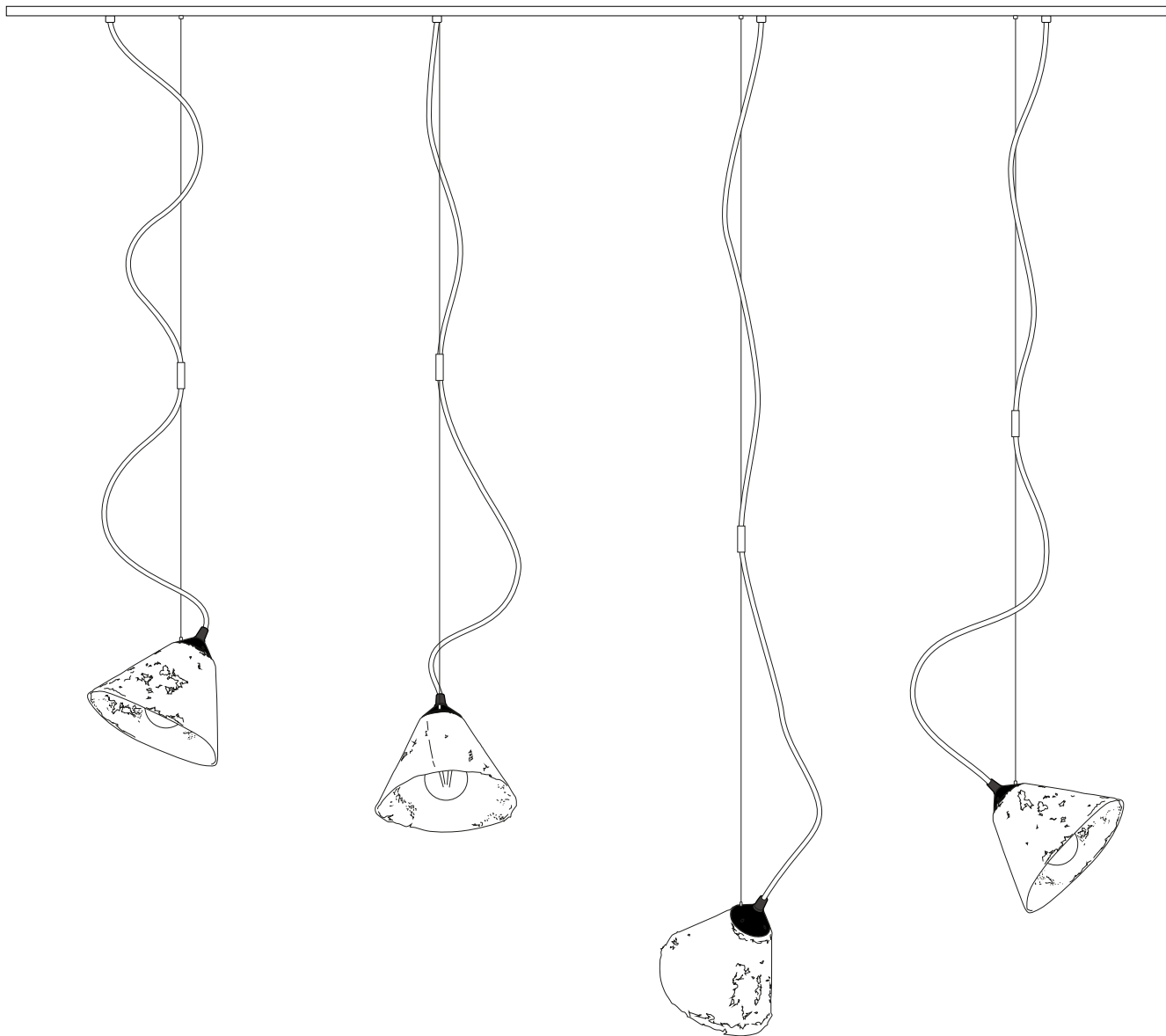
Washable with water or damp sponge.

Connection 220-230 volts 50-60Hz.

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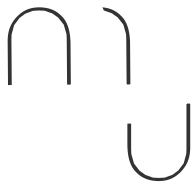
# PYR

Pyr, pyrite, Pyrenees, from the fire of ancient rocks...  
Pyr, for pyrosphere «layer of rocks separating the central core of the earth from the lithosphere» (Charles Combaluzier, Introduction to Geology, 1961).  
Otherwise known as Sima in reference to the silicon and magnesium of which it is composed.  
From 60km under our feet, to the earth's core.

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**The asymmetrical tubular steel base supports the silicone lampshade, a portion of the silicone cone tinted black in the mass, hand-stamped reinforced, decorated with 16-carat gold leaf.**

**The electric wire of the same diameter and colour as the foot suggests a fluid straight line.**

**Printing of soft gold on a moving foot.**

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**Craft gesture combined with design skills.**

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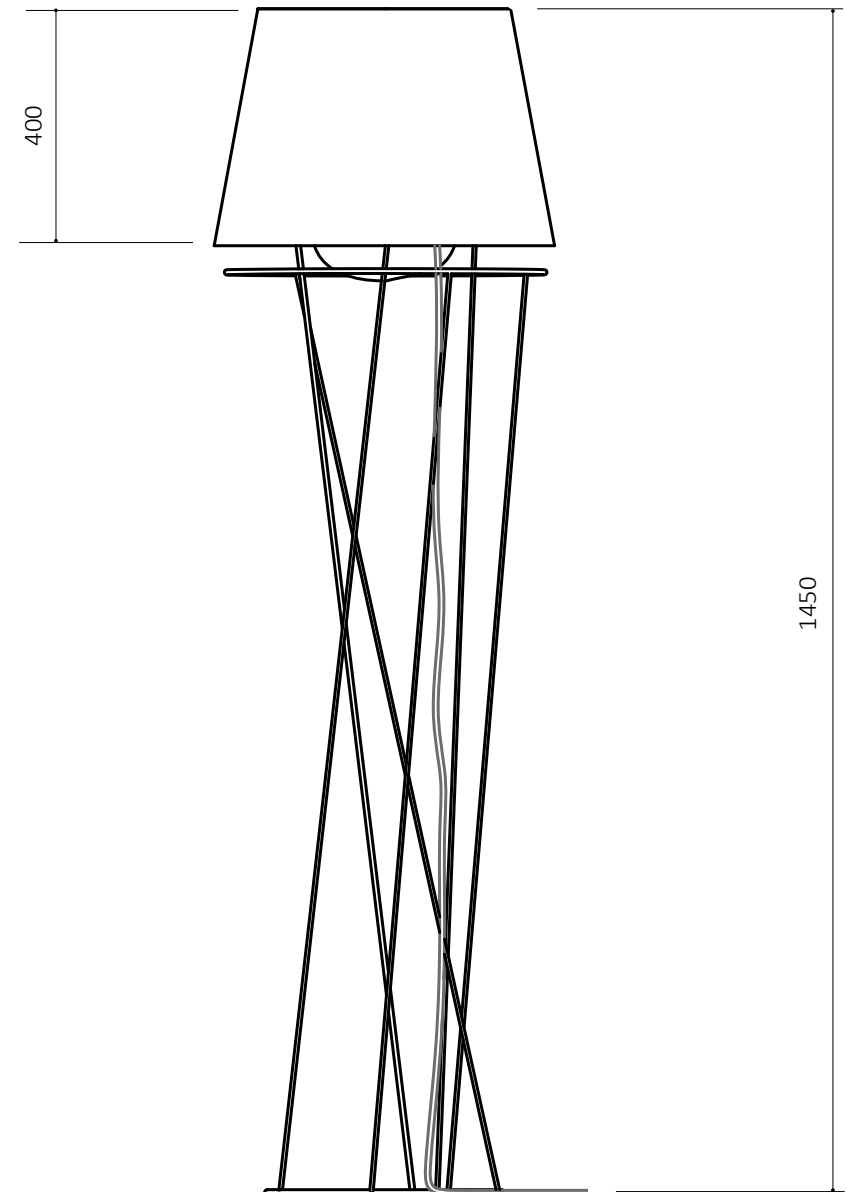
Tubular steel foot 6mm.  
Height 145cm / diameter 42cm  
Matte chased porcelain socket E27 base.

Bulb TALA Oval.

Washable with water or damp sponge.

Connection 220-230 volts 50-60Hz.

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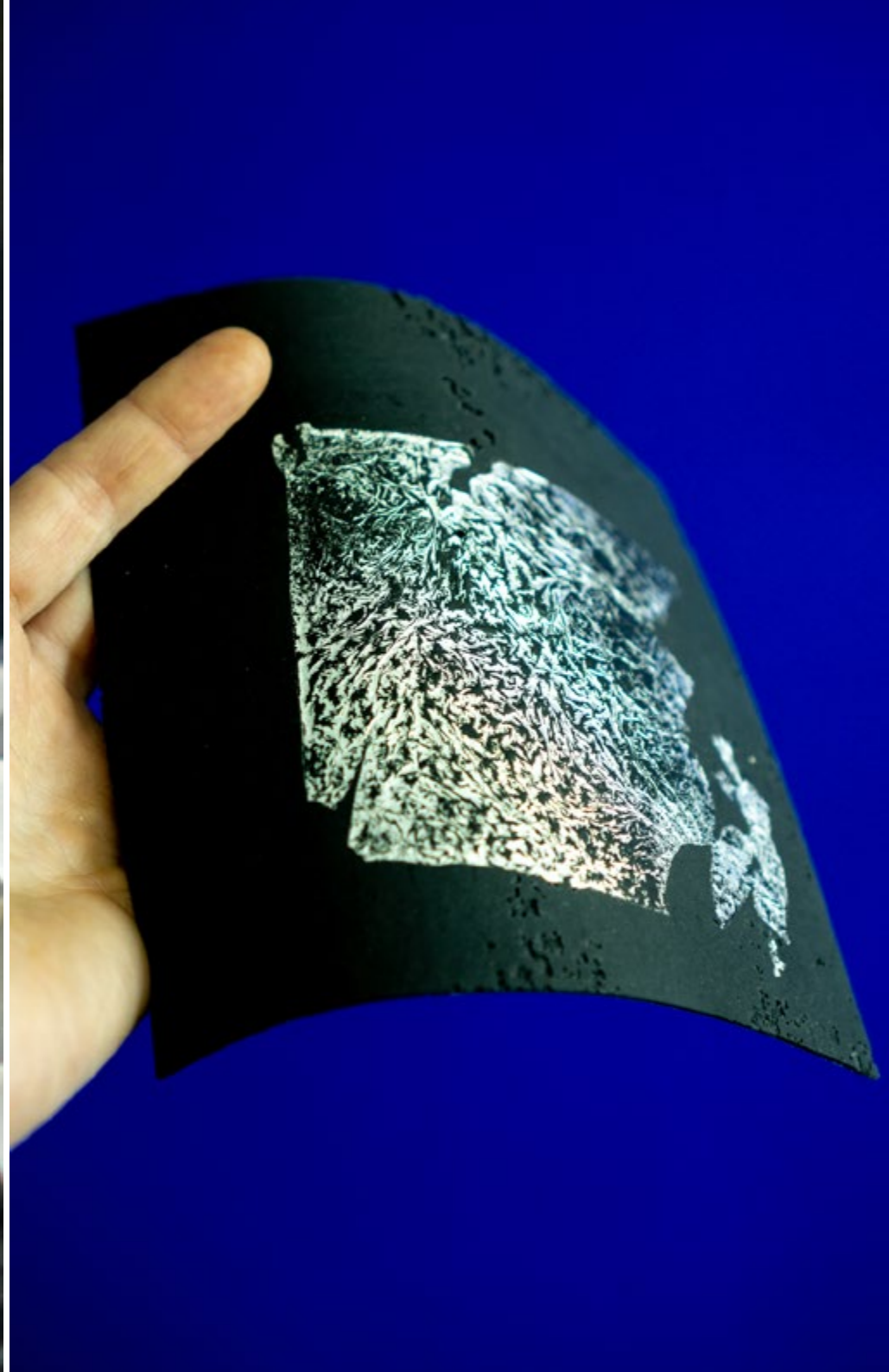
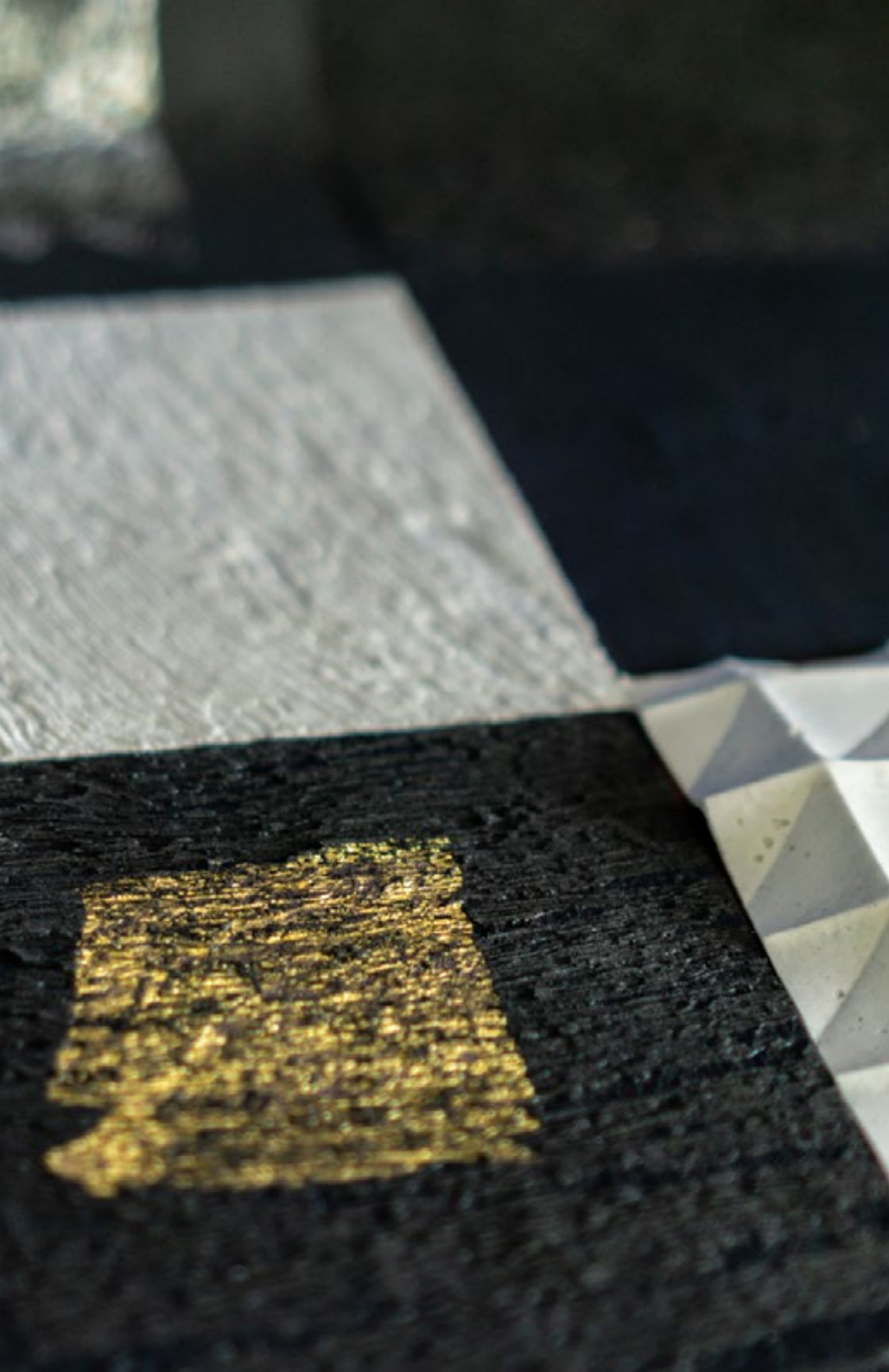
# MATERIALS RESEARCH

MADE OF **SOFT MINERAL POLYMER**



In 2020, the studio develops materials. As a material, the reinforced silicone born of MU's experiments is intended to sheath furniture, decorate a partition, a layout or a wall as a covering.









## **STUDIO ATELIER/ WORKSHOP**

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A specific order? A new color? A specific search?  
The studio and the workshop are there to find.

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Overall image setting  
3D files for professional use

We offer a range of ceiling lights that are designed and manufactured in our workshop, convenient to install.

MDF ceiling light in matt white painted wood.

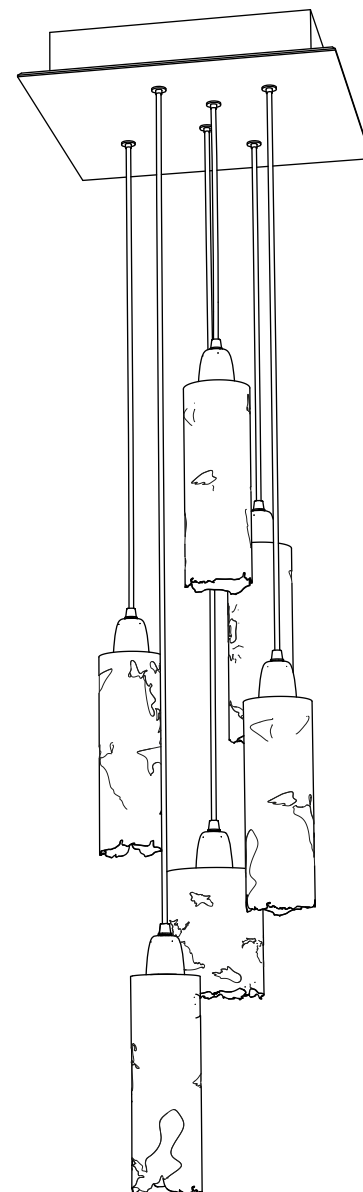
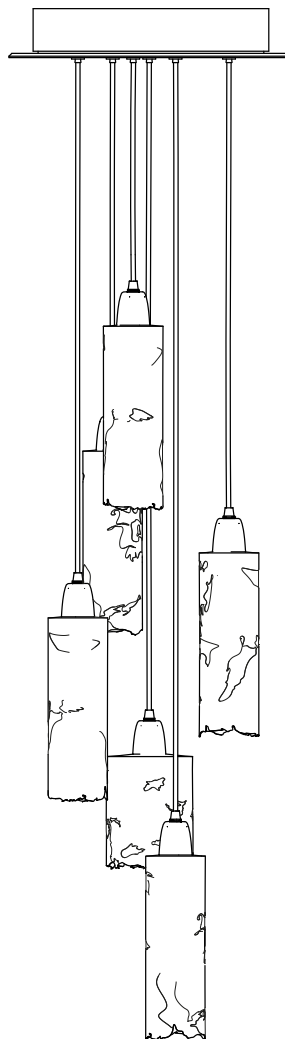
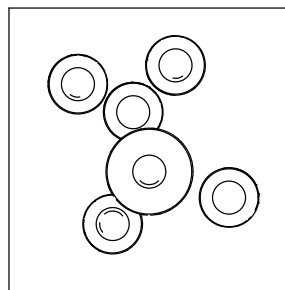
See opposite an example\* : a cascade of 6 MATRICE, (5 Long. 1 Large) on MDF ceiling light 40 x 40.cm.

We provide professionals with 3D files of the models and sets allowing their insertion .

Do not hesitate to contact us.



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