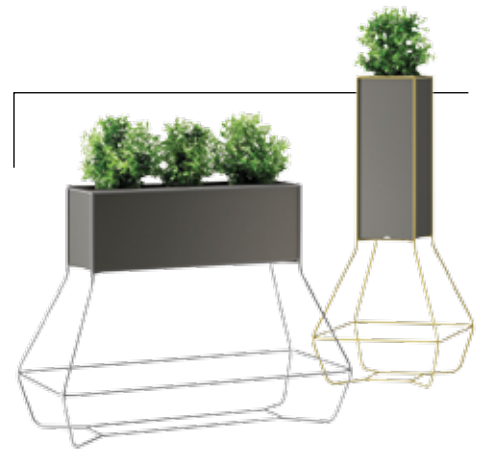


STEP OUTSIDE

As the technology behind porcelain printing advances, more and more companies are expanding their collections to include printed external tiles. SACW Paving, the exteriors arm of Stone & Ceramic Warehouse, has released its Oporto range (H60xW60cm), £83 per sqm, with a realistic concrete-effect finish. Fade- and frost-resistant, the tiles will stand up to even Britain's worst weather. For an on-trend seamless look, try matching them to your internal flooring. (020 8993 5545; sacwpaving.co.uk)



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Growing up

If you're looking for a design-led planter for an urban terrace, the Halful collection from Italian brand Plust could be what you need. Conceived by Joe Velluto, recycled plastic pots are mounted on geometric wire structures, available in steel, yellow, white, green and blue. Choose from three sizes – Halful 25 (H130xW62xD62cm), £705, Halful 30 (H90xW62xD62cm), £629, or Halful 80 (H90xW110xD62cm), £763. (+39 04 4478 8200; plust.it)

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The free Flower Power app from Parrot uses a sensor stick, £49, that sits in the soil to measure moisture, temperature, light and fertility, and notifies you when your plants need attention. For extra help, the H2O water reservoir will add water when needed. (parrot.com/uk)

TAKE TWO

LOUNGE CHAIRS



ICONIC DESIGN

The classic: Nanna and Jørgen Ditzel's 1950 Basket chair for Kettal (H76xW86xD79cm) was the first to use wicker moulded into a rounded form. A mid-century favourite, it was reissued in synthetic fibre in 2014. £1,539, Nest.co.uk (0114 243 3000; nest.co.uk).



MODERN TWIST

The contemporary: The Twins chair (H89xW85xD75cm), by MUT Design for Expormim, uses a custom-designed waterproof synthetic material to ensure it's ideal for garden seating. Shown in Batyline mesh in blue, £882, Encompass (02392 412 145; encompassco.com).



Dine in style

We love the Air table (H75xW264xD113cm), £3,370, from Belgian brand Manutti, new at Go Modern. Made from a powder-coated aluminium frame, it's topped with either ceramic or iroko wood. Pair it with the Echo outdoor dining chairs (H85xW52xD53cm), £450 each, for a modern al fresco eating area that's perfect for entertaining. (020 7731 9540; gomodern.co.uk)