





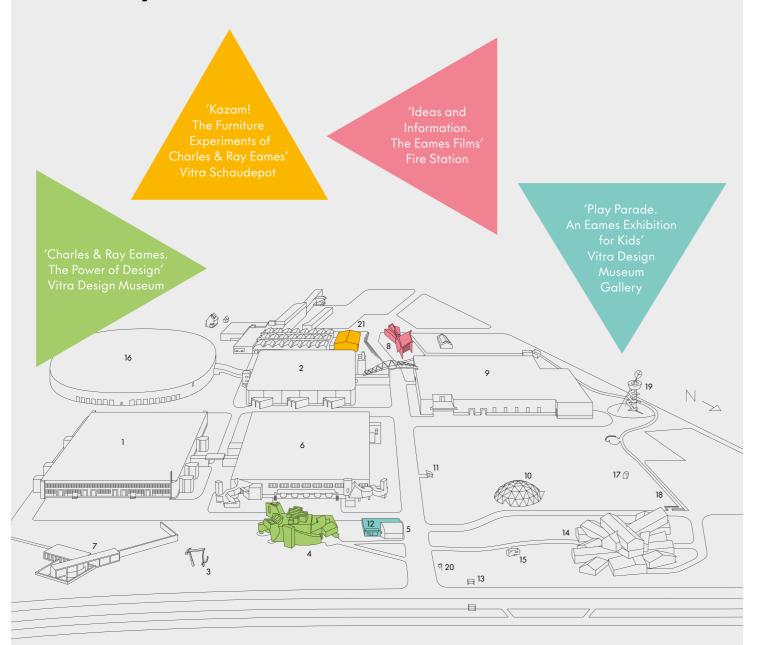


An Eames Celebratio September 2017 – Fe Vitra Campus



Four exhibitions on the Vitra Campus September 2017 -February 2018

Charles and Ray Eames are counted among the most important designers of the twentieth century. With their furniture, films, books, exhibitions and media installations, they have influenced generations of designers and continue to shape our everyday culture. No other name in design so clearly represents technical perfection and a timeless aesthetic, and none is more closely associated with the exuberant start-up culture on the American west coast, in which the Eameses played a prominent role. From 30 September 2017 to 25 February 2018, the Vitra Design Museum will present 'An Eames Celebration' on the Vitra Campus in Weil am Rhein (Germany) - four parallel exhibitions that offer an unprecedented view of the work created by the legendary designer couple.

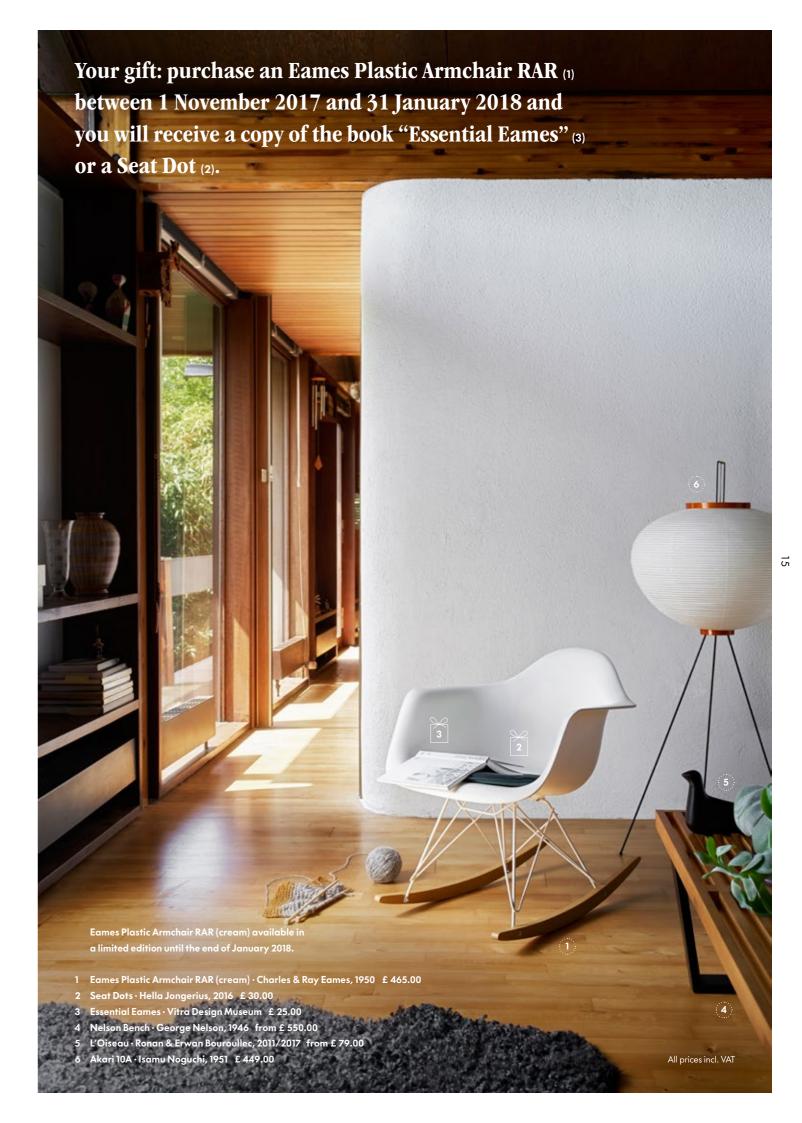


- 1,2 Factory Buildings, Nicholas Grimshaw, 1981/1983
 3 Balancing Tools, Claes Oldenburg & Coosje van Bruggen, 1984
 4 Vitra Design Museum, Frank Gehry, 1989
 5 Gate, Frank Gehry, 1989
 6 Factory Building, Frank Gehry, 1989
 7 Conference Pavilion, Tadao Ando, 1993
 8 Fire Station, Zaha Hadid, 1993

Petrol Station, Jean Prouvé, 1953/2003

- Factory Building, Álvaro Siza, 1994 Dome, after Richard Buckminster Fuller, 1975/2000
- 12 Vitra Design Museum Gallery, Frank Gehry, 2003
 13 Bus Stop, Jasper Morrison, 2006
- VitraHaus, Herzog & de Meuron, 2010 Airstream Kiosk, 1968/2011
- Factory Building, SANAA, 2012
- Diogene, Renzo Piano, 2013 Álvaro-Siza-Promenade, 2014
- 19 Vitra Slide Tower, Carsten Höller, 2014 20 Bell from 24 Stops, Tobias Rehberger, 2015
- Vitra Schaudepot, Herzog de Meuron, 2016

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Eames Elephant



"Toys are really not as innocent as they look. Toys and games are the preludes to serious ideas."

Charles Eames

Animal figures are classics in the world of toys, for they captivate the imagination and inspire endless hours of play. And elephants have always been a special favourite.

In the early 1940s, Charles and Ray Eames spent several years developing and refining a technique for moulding plywood into three-dimensional shapes, creating a series of furniture items and sculptures in the process. Among these initial designs was a two-part elephant figure with complex curvatures requiring highly sophisticated fabrication methods that prevented the object from entering mass production. One prototype, which was given to Charles's 14-year-old daughter Lucia Eames, was loaned to the Museum of Modern Art in New York for a 1946 exhibition. It is still in the possession of the Eames family today.

After a limited edition in 2007, Vitra has now added a plywood version of the legendary

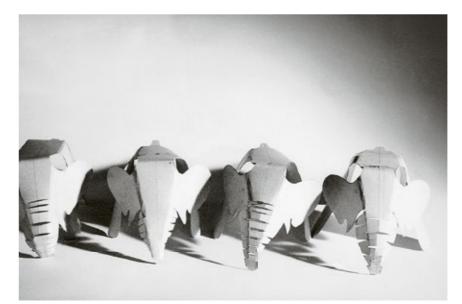
Eames Elephant to its standard portfolio. The sculptural figure with a high-quality face veneer in american cherry went into serial production for the very first time in 2017.

Several years ago, the Eames Elephant was also launched in plastic, making it available to the target group for which it was originally intended: children. And Eames Elephant Small also comes in plastic in a choice of colours: the design is identical but on a smaller scale.

Whether selected as an elegant wooden object for the living room, as a robust plastic toy for a child's bedroom or outdoor use, or as a small decorative animal figure – the friendly animal with its proudly prominent ears will bring delight to children and parents alike.

The original comes from













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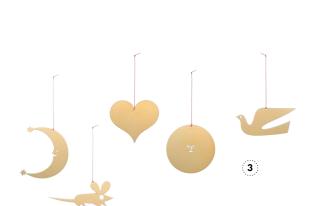
Early prototypes of the Eames Elephant, around 1940 | Outdoors with the Eames Elephant |
Alexander "Pundy" Matter riding one of only two prototypes made of the
Eames Plywood Elephant, 1945 | Ray Eames (sitting in the middle) on an elephant in India |
An Eames Elephant on its travels, Lake Como, Italy



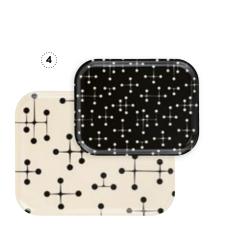


Inspired by the principle of the collage, the Vitra **Accessories Collection includes timeless creations** by Charles and Ray Eames, George Nelson and Alexander Girard as well as the newest products by Ronan and Erwan Bouroullec, Hella Jongerius and other contemporary designers.





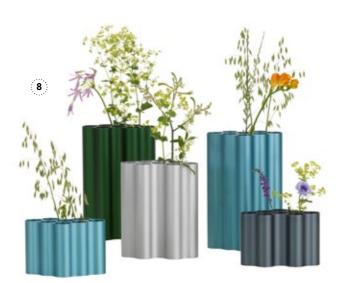


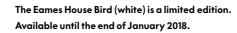






- 1 Fan Clock · George Nelson, 1948-1960 £ 295.00
- 2 Eames Wool Blanket · Charles & Ray Eames, 1947 £ 279.00
- 3 Girard Ornaments · Alexander Girard, 1965 £ 15.00
- 4 Classic Trays Dot Pattern · Charles & Ray Eames, 1947
- **√** from £ 55.00
- 5 Seat Dots · Hella Jongerius, 2016
 - (Your free gift when purchasing an Eames Plastic Armchair RAR) ${f t}$ 30.00
- 6 Candle Holders · Alexander Girard, 1963 £ 85.00
- 7 L'Oiseau · Ronan & Erwan Bouroullec, 2011/2017 from £ 79.00
- 8 Nuage · Ronan & Erwan Bouroullec, 2016 from £ 115.00
- 9 Eames Quotes Posters · Charles & Ray Eames, 1950 £ 26.00
- 10 Hang it all · Charles & Ray Eames, 1953 £ 205.00





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- 12 Eames Elephant (small) · Charles & Ray Eames, 1945
- **€ 75.00**
- 13 Essential Eames · Vitra Design Museum

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- 14 Coffee Mugs · Alexander Girard, 1971 £ 14.00
- 15 Eames Elephant (Plywood) · Charles & Ray Eames, 1945
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- 17 LTR · Charles & Ray Eames, 1950 american cherry
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19 Wooden Dolls · Alexander Girard, 1952 from £ 85.00







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