



HOMO FABER 2024 THE JOURNEY OF LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF CRAFT

dunhill, the foremost British luxury menswear House, is pleased to announce its presence at Homo Faber 2024 – a celebration of contemporary craftsmanship, inspiring objects and talented artisans in the heart of Venice, Italy.

Taking place within the magnificent Fondazione Giorgio Cini, located on San Giorgio Maggiore island, the third edition of this biannual showcase explores 'The Journey of Life', with Art Direction by Luca Guadagnino and curation by the Michelangelo Foundation.

In line with this year's concept, visitors will be taken on a journey through a human life, from birth to afterlife – marking life's standout moments and everyday simplicities, all viewed through the lens of exceptional craft.

dunhill's participation sees the storied House create an exquisite cocktail case and exhibit various iterations of the iconic Aquarium lighter, reflecting the themes of 'celebration' and 'nature' respectively.

The 'Alfred Dunhill' Automotive Cocktail Case is a beautifully constructed curation of items to indulge. A statement of rarefied hedonism, House heritage and mixology.

Playing on dunhill's 130-year history, the Automotive Cocktail case is a fervent showcase of true luxury – where elegance, craftsmanship and discretion converge to decadent effect.



Drawing on a unique heritage, the Automotive Cocktail case pays homage to cocktail cases within the rich dunhill archive and the House's innovative product legacy spanning items such as travel accessories, high-design game sets, beautiful picnic hampers and handsome compendiums. A portrayal of uncompromising quality that lasts – echoing the pioneering spirit of our founder, Alfred Dunhill.

This very special case, hand-crafted in traditional bridle leather, holds an enviable range of cocktail accessories and bar tools. Centre pieces of the case are a hand-crafted silver-plated cocktail shaker, sterling silver drinks flasks and crystal Martini glasses. Silver dunhill Tweenies sit as cocktail stick mascots, playing on the heritage of the dunhill Motorities.

An Aquarium Turbo pocket lighter with a hand-painted reverse intaglio dunhill Armorial and engraved sterling silver plate sits above a concealed compartment holding 4 sterling silver cigar tubes as well as 2 silver-plated ashtrays and a dunhill White Spot cigar cutter.

A further six Aquarium lighters, referencing current and archive collections, will be beautifully presented in a standalone showcase as part of the exhibit celebrating nature.

An icon of extraordinary artisanal skill, the first dunhill Aquarium lighters were conceived and handmade between 1950 and 1959 by British master craftsman Ben Shillingford. Their beauty, uniqueness and clarity of design has always set them apart. No two creations the same, all hand-engraved and hand-painted using the craft of Intaglio, each different from the next.

The name Aquarium is derived from the light reflecting properties of crystal-clear material used in their assembly, resembling the depth and refraction of water.

The ultimate expression of luxury and purpose, dunhill produces a range of exclusive table lighters and objects informed by the iconic originals, created by craftsmen of over 40 years-experience. A true showcase of the House's innovative spirit and meticulous attention to detail.

Homo Faber 2024 will run from 1 – 30 September – Venice, Fondazione Giorgio Cini.

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ABOUT HOMO FABER

Homo Faber is curated by Michelangelo Foundation for Creativity and Craftsmanship, a non-profit institution based in Switzerland, which champions contemporary craftspeople worldwide with the aim of promoting a more human, inclusive and sustainable future. michelangelofoundation.org

ABOUT DUNHILL

Synonymous with craftsmanship and design, dunhill is the foremost British men's luxury House with a history spanning over 130 years. A trusted destination of elevation, classicism and hedonism, dunhill offers a full lifestyle proposition, from refined tailoring and ready-to-wear, to elevated leather goods, exquisite gifting and hard luxury pieces.

Leveraging a unique heritage and rich archive, dunhill ensures uncompromising quality that endures time and trends – echoing the pioneering spirit of founder, Alfred Dunhill. Innovation and contemporaneity have always been integral to the House – from its inception in 1893 to the present day and beyond.

Attention to detail, excellence, functionality, and a personalised approach epitomises the House.

Britishness defines us – English style sets us apart.