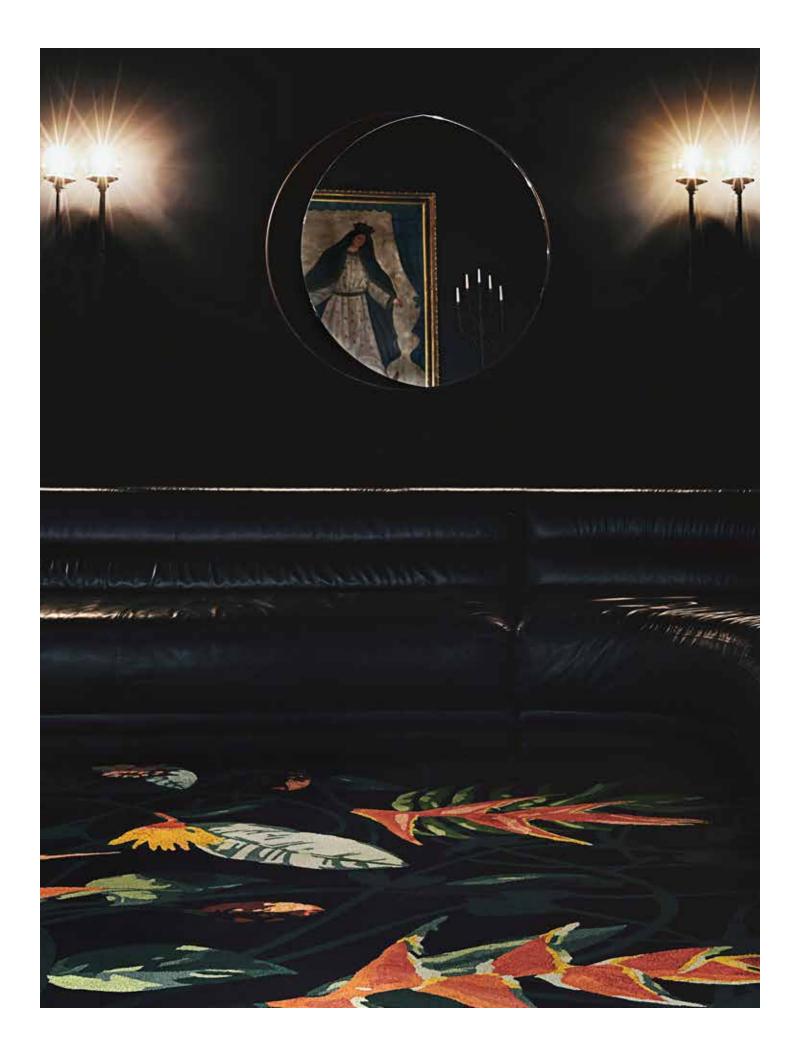


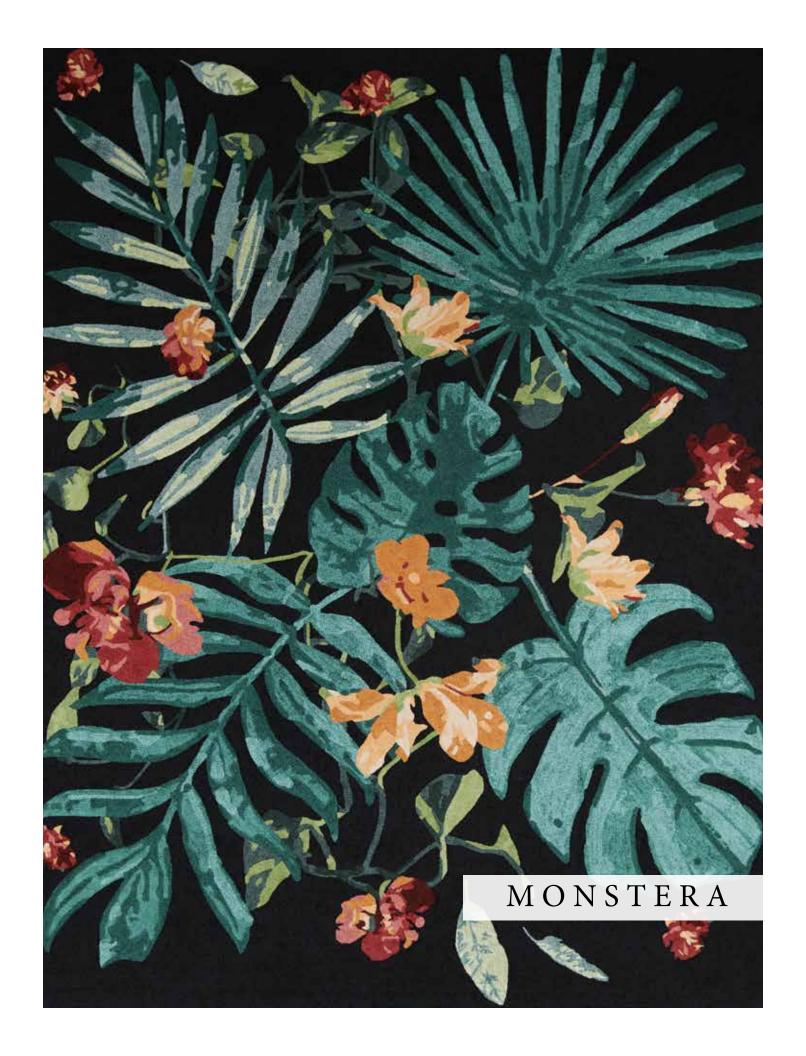
The Botanical Collection is a celebration of the beauty and life-cycle of our planet's flora, preserving the movement, form and vibrancy that illustrates our sensory gratification on a daily basis. A collaborative effort in three "Acts", the patterns are designed by **three female artists** from different artistic backgrounds, each composition exuding an exploration in the delicate architecture of plant, flower and leaf.

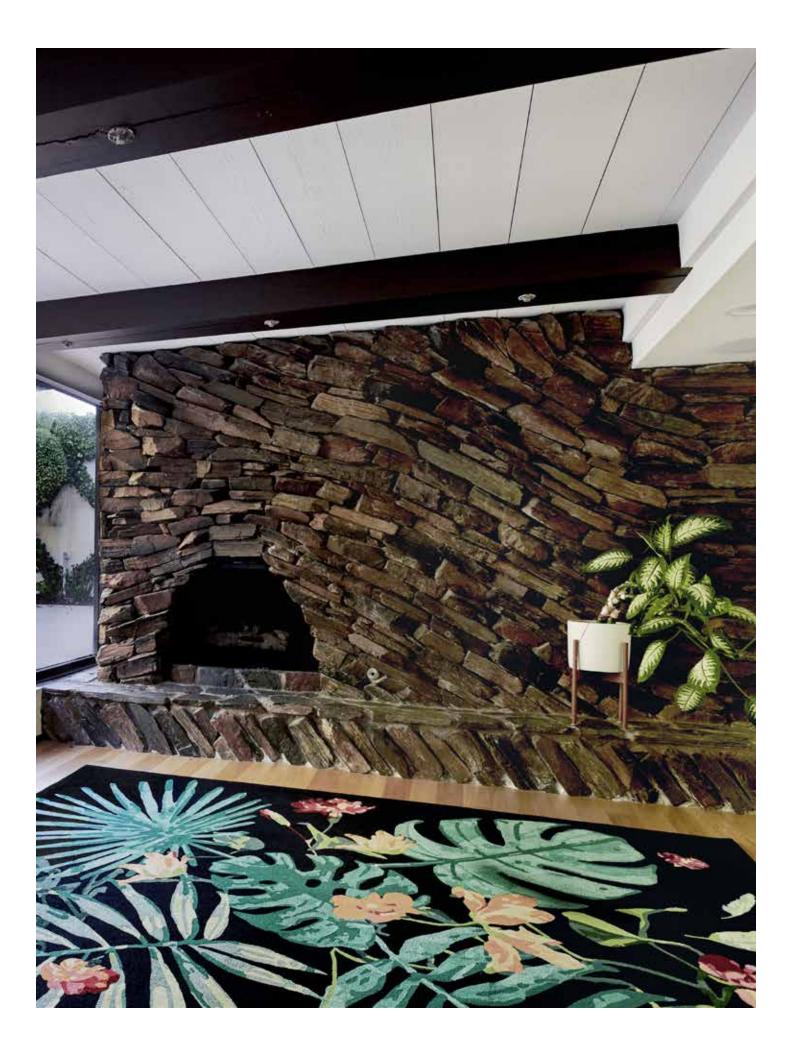
Elena Manferdini's designs for 'Act I' take on the painting genre called "Natura Morta" (Italian for "Still Life") an academic exercise in composition, color and texture. They each create discreet, still moments of personal contemplation of nature in a domestic setting, and represent windows into alternative worlds, lost in time.

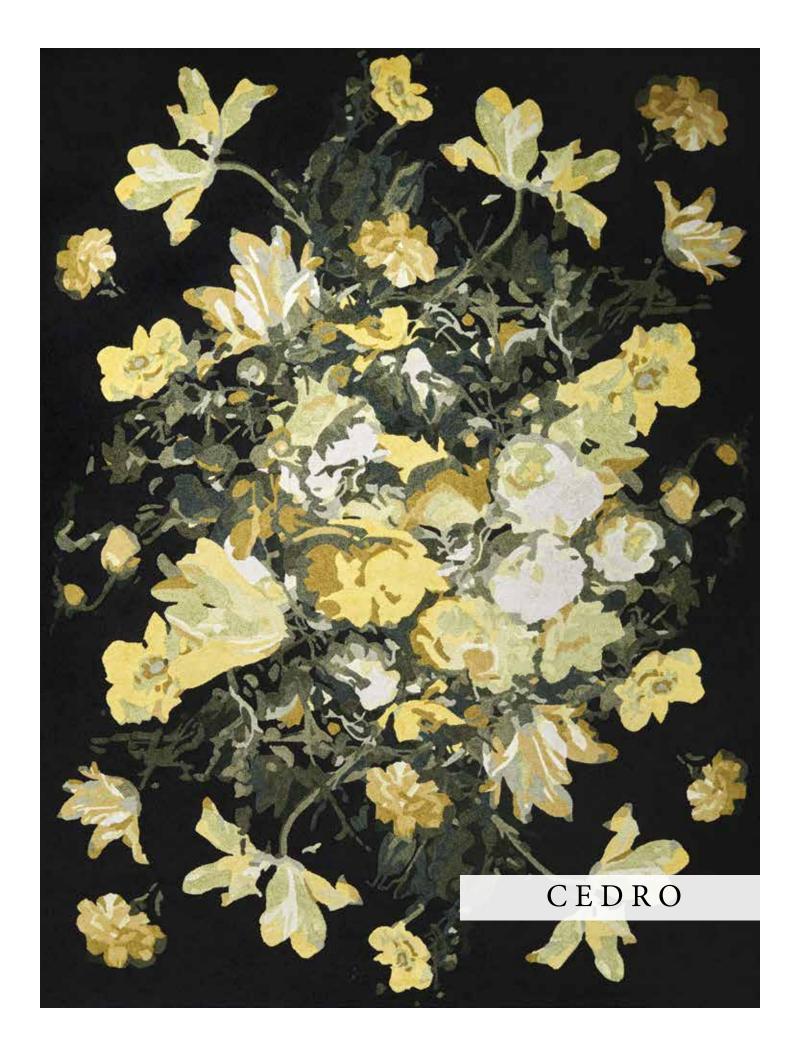


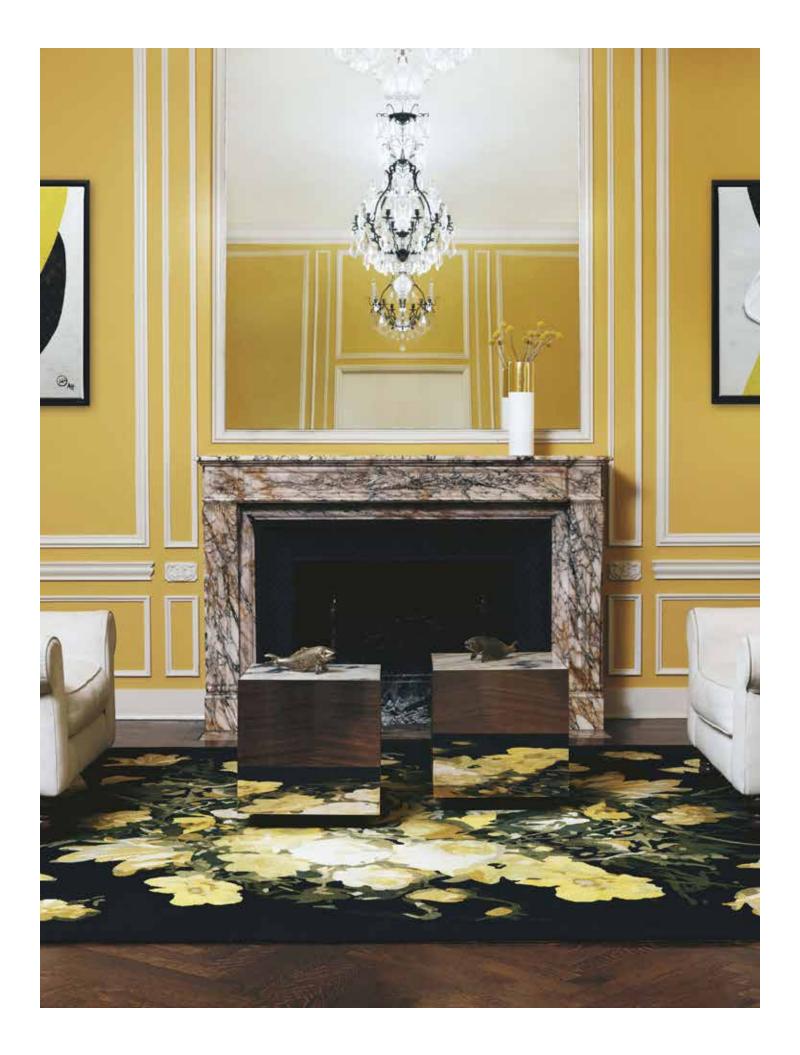














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