

## ***“Seamless in Pastel”***

### **The cutting edge project from young designer Natascha Van Reeth with HI-MACS®**



Start-up designer **Natascha Van Reeth**, founder of **Tasch Design** based in Antwerp, has commenced her career with a sleek and charming knife set, made totally from **HI-MACS® Lucent Collection**.

The super-sharp edge is tempered by the dreamy lucent pastel colours, which gives the knives an almost butter-like appearance. The designer chose HI-MACS® because of all its great properties: The material is totally non-porous, and as it can be seamlessly finished, no germs or dirt can corrupt the knives, making them the perfect appliance in a kitchen or restaurant. Should any scratches occur, they are very easy to resolve, and the whole set is easily integrated into any interior with its modern looks. The board functions as a knife holder, but can also be used to display food, for example serving as a cheese board set with the knives.

*“I found the Lucent colours at the workshop of ‘Artindus’ located in Antwerp. They use different colours from HI-MACS®, and the lucent collection was my preferred as I love pastel colours. I could imagine in my mind how the knives would look, soft and dreamy, in contrast to the danger and sharpness that a knife usually represents”,* says the designer. *“As I was designing the knives, I came across some elements that needed to be incorporated: It needs to be sharp, clean, modern and sleek. As well as this it was important to respect the environment, so I needed to think about how my design could create less waste (in the*

*building industry we are responsible for 30% of the waste in the world), so I decided to work with off-cuts, left when making an object in HI-MACS®”*

At present Natascha is working as an Interior Designer with her own business. Her first project, the remodelling of a pharmacy into a hair salon, is due for completion during the summer.

**Design:** Natascha Van Reeth – Tasch Design [www.taschdesign.com](http://www.taschdesign.com)

**Fabrication:** Den Dam

**Material:** HI-MACS® Lucent Collection (Opal, Ruby, Emerald, Sapphire) [www.himacs.eu](http://www.himacs.eu)

**Material Supplier:** Engels Design & Decoration

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## HI-MACS® by LG Hausys

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HI-MACS® is a solid surface material that can be moulded into any shape. It is widely used for architectural and interior applications, such as sculptural and high performance wall-cladding or kitchen, bathroom and furniture surfaces, in commercial, residential and public space projects. It is composed of minerals, acrylic and natural pigments that come together to provide a smooth, non-porous and visually seamless surface which meets the highest standards for aesthetics, fabrication, functionality and hygiene – offering manifold advantages over conventional materials.

HI-MACS® provides limitless possibilities for surfacing solutions and inspires creative minds from all over the world. **Zaha Hadid, Jean Nouvel, Rafael Moneo, Karim Rashid, Marcel Wanders** and **David Chipperfield**, among others, have completed fabulous projects using HI-MACS®.

At the forefront of innovation as always, LG Hausys recently introduced two new products. First **HI-MACS Structura®**, a 3D textured panel material that takes solid surface opportunities to a new level. And also **HI-MACS® Ultra-Thermoforming**, an innovative formula that pushes the boundaries of solid surface shaping to a whole new level, with 30% more thermoplastic capabilities - the biggest innovation for the Solid Surface history since its inception in 1967.

LG Hausys' HI-MACS® uses a simple heating process to give three-dimensional thermoplastic forming capabilities, allows visually seamless designs, offers a virtually limitless range of colours and – for some shades - exhibits a special translucency when exposed to light. Although HI-MACS® is almost as robust as stone, it can be worked in a similar way as wood: it can be sawn, routed, drilled or sanded.

HI-MACS® is manufactured using a new generation technology, the **thermal cure**. The temperature reached during the manufacturing process sets HI-MACS® apart from other solid surfaces and creates a denser, even more homogeneous, sturdy, durable surface – with a better resistance and superior thermoforming performance.

HI-MACS® does not absorb humidity, is highly resistant to stains, and is easy to clean, maintain and repair.

Countless internationally recognized certificates attest to the quality of HI-MACS® in terms of ecological commitment, hygiene and fire resistance – being the first Solid Surface in the market to receive the official **European Technical Approval (ETA) for façades** – for Alpine White S728 colour. Furthermore, HI-MACS® has obtained the French **QB certification** and **CSTB ATec “Avis Technique”** for facade applications.

HI-MACS® offers a 15-year warranty for products fabricated by a Quality Club Member.



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