

MORO



HEADS

The Moro History



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Moro Heads

Around 1100 A.D., during the Moors domination in Sicily, a beautiful Italian girl lived in seclusion, spending her days tending flowers on her balcony. One day, a young Moor passing by was captivated by her beauty and boldly entered her home to confess his love. Experiencing the power of love and desire for the first time, the girl was mesmerized and returned his affections, believing his promises of eternal devotion.

However, she soon discovered his betrayal: he intended to return to his homeland, to his wife and children. Heartbroken, with her dreams shattered and her reputation ruined, she was consumed by rage. That night, as he slept, she took her revenge by cutting off his head. The next morning, a new vase appeared on her balcony—a strikingly lifelike Moor's head, filled with flowers.

Enchanted by its beauty, her neighbors, envious and intrigued, began crafting vases in the same shape. Till this day, these finely adorned “Teste di Moro” can be admired on Sicilian balconies—a timeless symbol and a clever warning to all men.



Moro Heads

The Moro Heads embody the rich tradition of Sicilian ceramics, encapsulating nearly 1,000 years of stylistic evolution. These anthropomorphic masterpieces are crafted with strikingly realistic details, featuring colors and finishes executed with meticulous precision. Each Moro Head by Verus begins as a unique, hand-modeled masterpiece, which then serves as the basis for exclusive plaster casts. The clay is carefully hand-pressed into these molds, ensuring that every piece replicates the elegant features of the original model with exceptional precision.

Every decoration, application, and detail is meticulously handcrafted by skilled artisans trained in the renowned schools of Caltagirone. This expertise is particularly evident in the intricate acanthus leaves adorning each head and the delicate modeling of slip slurry to create mustaches, beards, and eyebrows. Vibrant colors, gold or platinum finishes, antique effects, and crackle glazes are just some of the technical elements that lend the Moro Heads by Verus their unmistakable allure.

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Caltagirone Collection

Caltagirone, a charming ancient town in Sicily, is painted and built in the hues of its renowned clay. Its pottery is celebrated worldwide not only for the exceptional quality of its raw materials but also for the rich heritage of unique craftsmanship techniques. It was a natural choice to feature this enchanting location as the setting for this story.



Corals

The red coral, the Mediterranean's most precious treasure, can live for up to 500 years. Sadly, it is now on the brink of extinction. Our artisans in Caltagirone honor its beauty and significance by crafting hand-made coral branches to adorn our Moro Heads.



VASE MORO LADY AND MAN SMALL TENTACLES
H22



Moro Heads



Ornato

Ornato is the traditional pattern adorning Moro Heads and tiles in Caltagirone. Dating back to the 7th century, it symbolizes the acanthus leaf, celebrated in Greek and Roman culture for its beauty, vitality, and resilience. This elegant motif adorned Corinthian capitals, portraying strength and aesthetic perfection.



201079,M10
VASE MORO MAN BIG TRADITIONAL
H48





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Smeralda



200945,SME
VASE MORO LADY BAROQUE
H45

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Terra Collection

The new Terra Collection is designed to elevate your garden, bringing elegance to your outdoor space. Made with a special clay from Impruneta, a region in Tuscany, these pieces are built to withstand the elements year-round. Over time, the clay's soft color will lighten in the sun or develop a deeper gray tone if kept in the shade.



2000213A000
VASE MORO MAN BIG TERRA
H48

Moro Heads



Juicy Summer

The hot Sicilian sun nurtures some of Italy's finest fruits. To "savor the flavors," we reinterpreted classic icons adorning our Moro Heads with handcrafted ceramic fruits, adding a vibrant and artisanal touch.



2000204A100
VASE FRUITY HEAD LADY
H32

Moro Heads

Prickly Pear



2000206A860
VASE MORO LADY FICO NEW BIG
H48X34



The Pinecones

There is no mold to produce these pinecones — each one is entirely hand-modeled. To make them even more special, new characters have joined the collection, each boasting unique features. Every piece is one of a kind, ready to become a cherished addition to your personal collection.



6000138A360
PINE CONE
H20

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Monsters

The Monsters Vases with lids blend tradition and artistry. Using the same base as the Vases Pigna, which celebrate traditional craftsmanship, the handmade tops feature unique, expressive designs. Playful and surprising, these vases are more than containers—they're captivating works of art.



VASE MONSTER BEENIE AND SMOLLY
H53 D25/H38 D25



Odd Boxes



2000230AC40
VASE MONSTER FROGGY BIG
H50 D35

Moro Heads

Classic Collection



It has been 10 years since we first launched the Moro Heads collection, and we can proudly say its success has been remarkable. So much so that many others have since introduced Moro Heads into their own collections. Today, this masterpiece of Italian craftsmanship has become an iconic symbol recognized worldwide.



The Big



200654,900
VASE MORO LADY BIG
H48X31

Moro Heads



Gold Sparkles

Among the many finishes available, one of the most luxurious is "luster," achieved using real liquid gold or platinum. This exquisite finish requires an additional firing process, ensuring its timeless beauty and durability.



200655.010
VASE MORO MAN BIG
H48X33





Antique Finishing

To honor this enduring tradition, we continuously refine the techniques used to achieve the antique finish on ceramics. However, the true beauty of our Moro Heads lies in the skilled craftsmanship of our artisans.

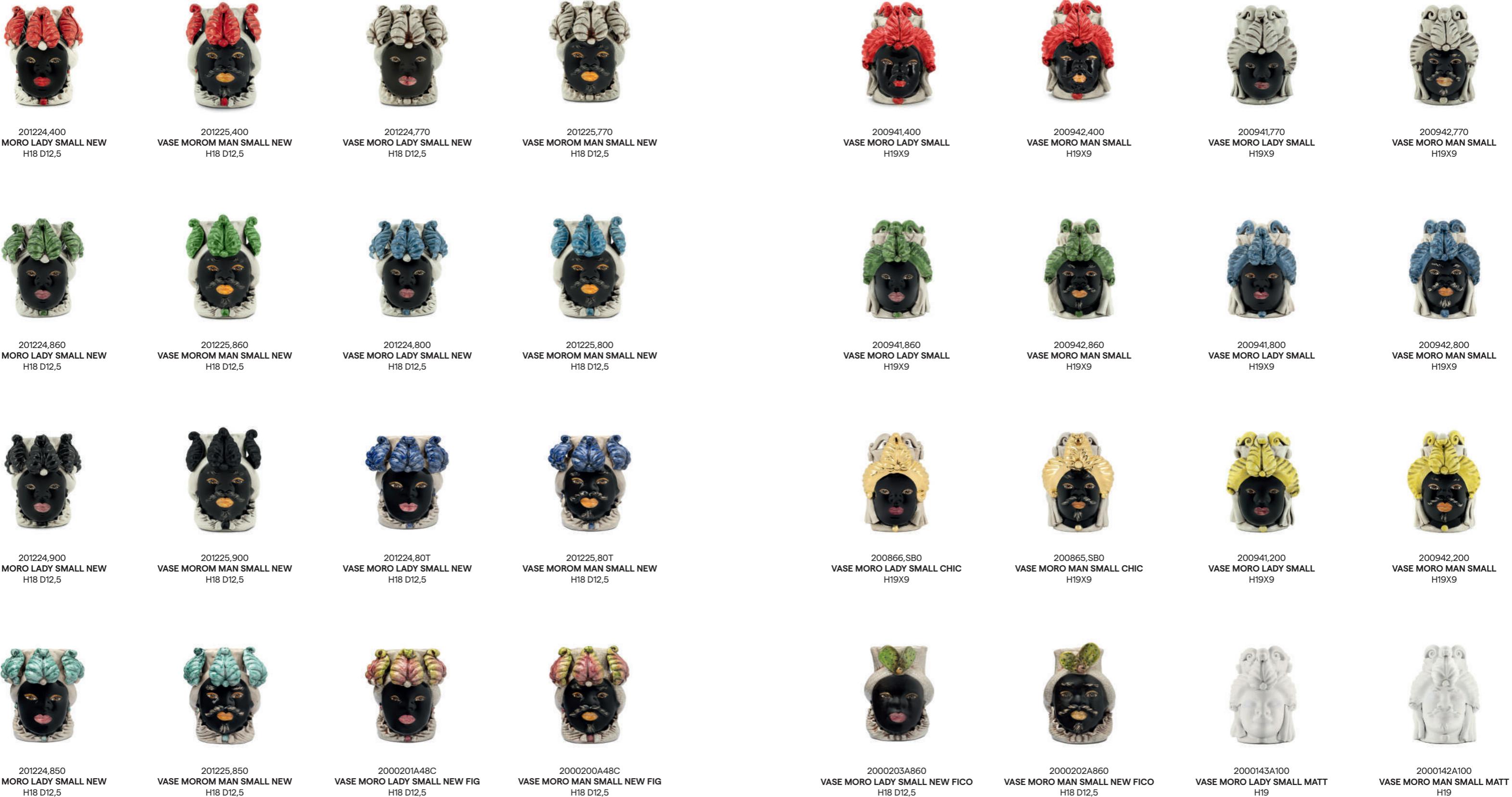


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VASE MORO MAN BIG
H48





THE FULL COLLECTION





200943,400
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,400
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



200943,770
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,770
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



200844,420
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM NEW
H42



200843,420
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM NEW
H42



200844,GG0
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM NEW
H42



200843,GG0
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM NEW
H42



200943,860
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,860
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



200943,800
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,800
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



200844,850
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM NEW
H42



200843,850
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM NEW
H42



200945,SME
VASE MORO LADY BAROQUE
H45



200946,SME
VASE MORO MAN BAROQUE
H45



200943,900
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,900
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



200943,200
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,200
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



200844,940
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM NEW
H42



200843,940
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM NEW
H42



200844,600
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM NEW
H42



200843,600
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM NEW
H42



200943,010
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,010
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



200943,WTO
VASE MORO LADY EVE
H33



200944,WTO
VASE MORO MAN EVE
H33



2000229ABWO
VASE MORO LADY JASMINE
H41



2000228ABWO
VASE MORO MAN JASMINE
H41



201261,BVO
VASE MORO LADY VIOLET
H41



201260,BVO
VASE MORO MAN VIOLET
H41



200859,200
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,200
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200859,300
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,300
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200859,700
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,700
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200859,860
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,860
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200859,400
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,400
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200859,800
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,800
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200939,400
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200940,400
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200939,860
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200940,860
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200859,500
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,500
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200859,600
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,600
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200939,800
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200940,800
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200939,DPO
VASE MORO LADY MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200940,DPO
VASE MORO MAN MEDIUM LEAVES
H41



200859,800
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,800
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



200859,900
VASE MORO LADY ORNATE
H41



200858,900
VASE MORO MAN ORNATE
H41



201256,PVO
VASE MORO LADY VIOLET
H48



201257,PVO
VASE MORO MAN VIOLET
H48

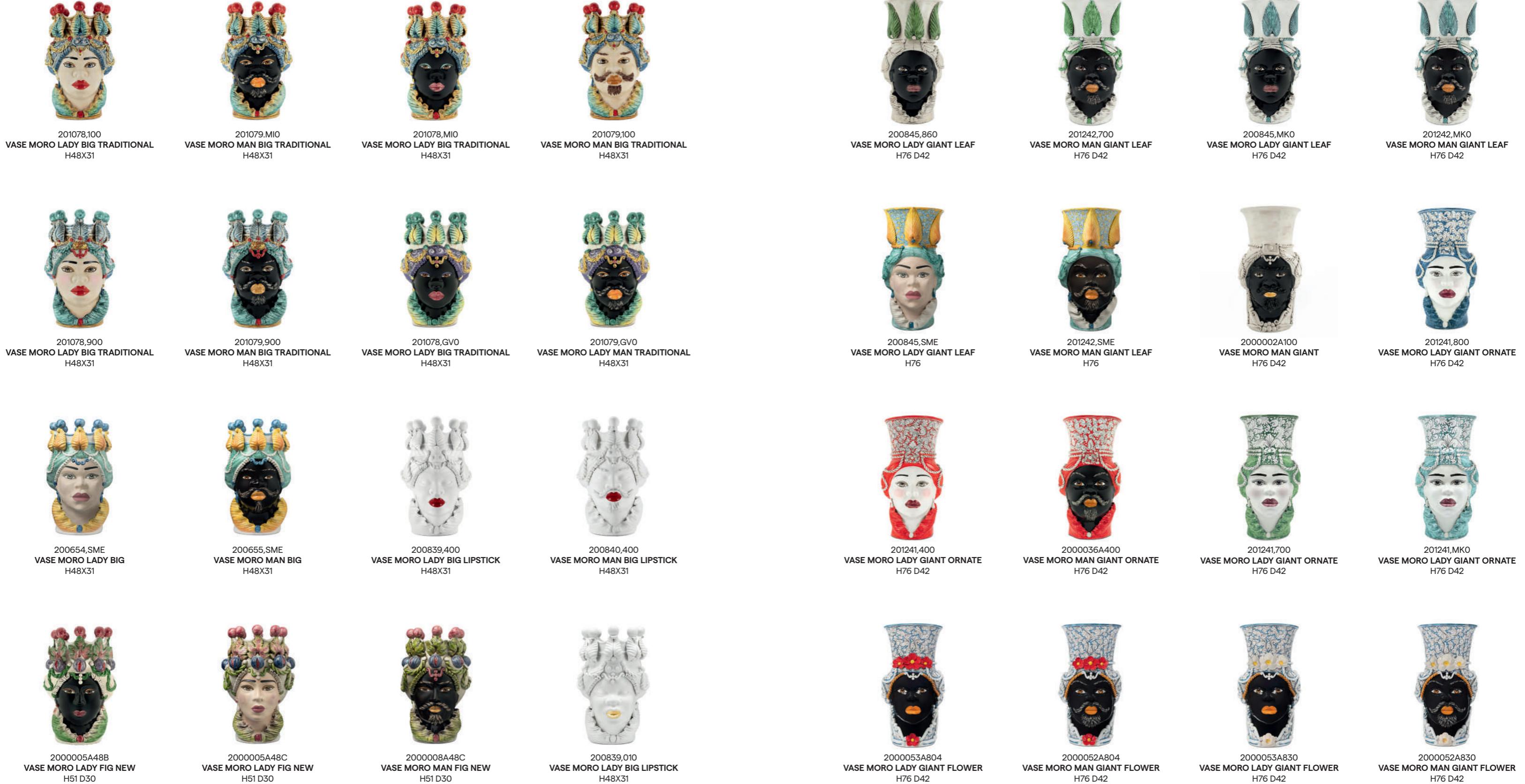


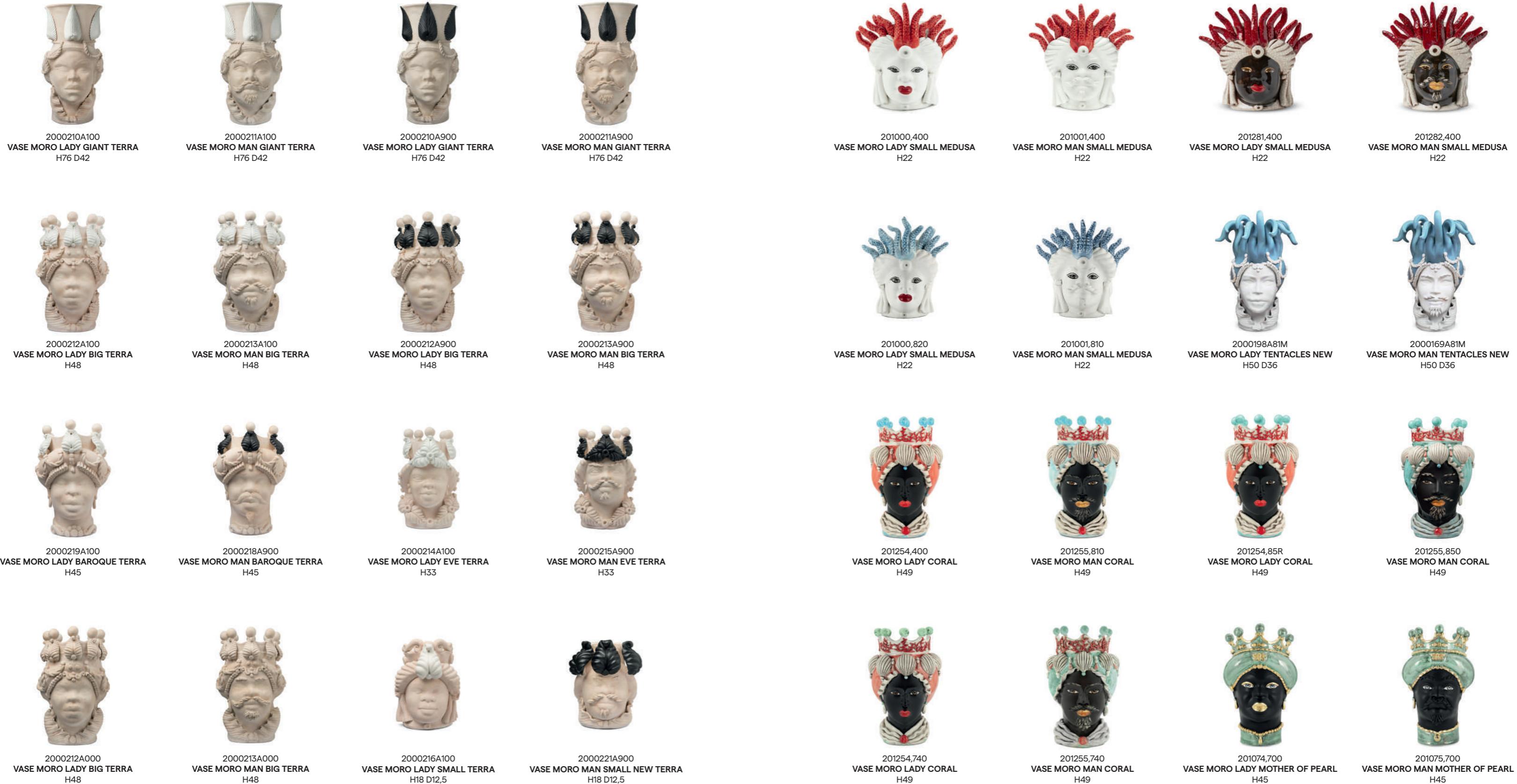
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VASE MORO LADY IVY
H48

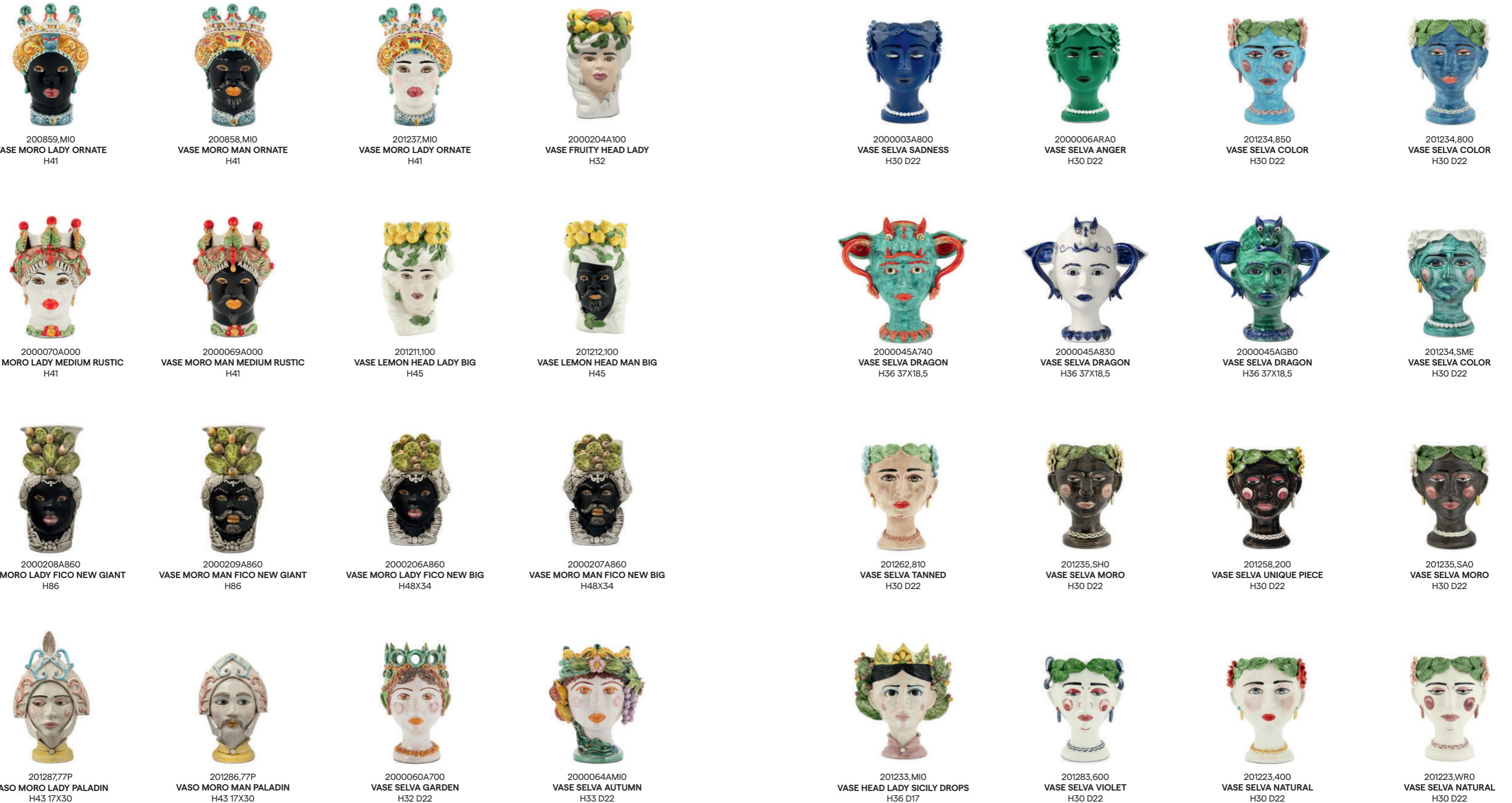


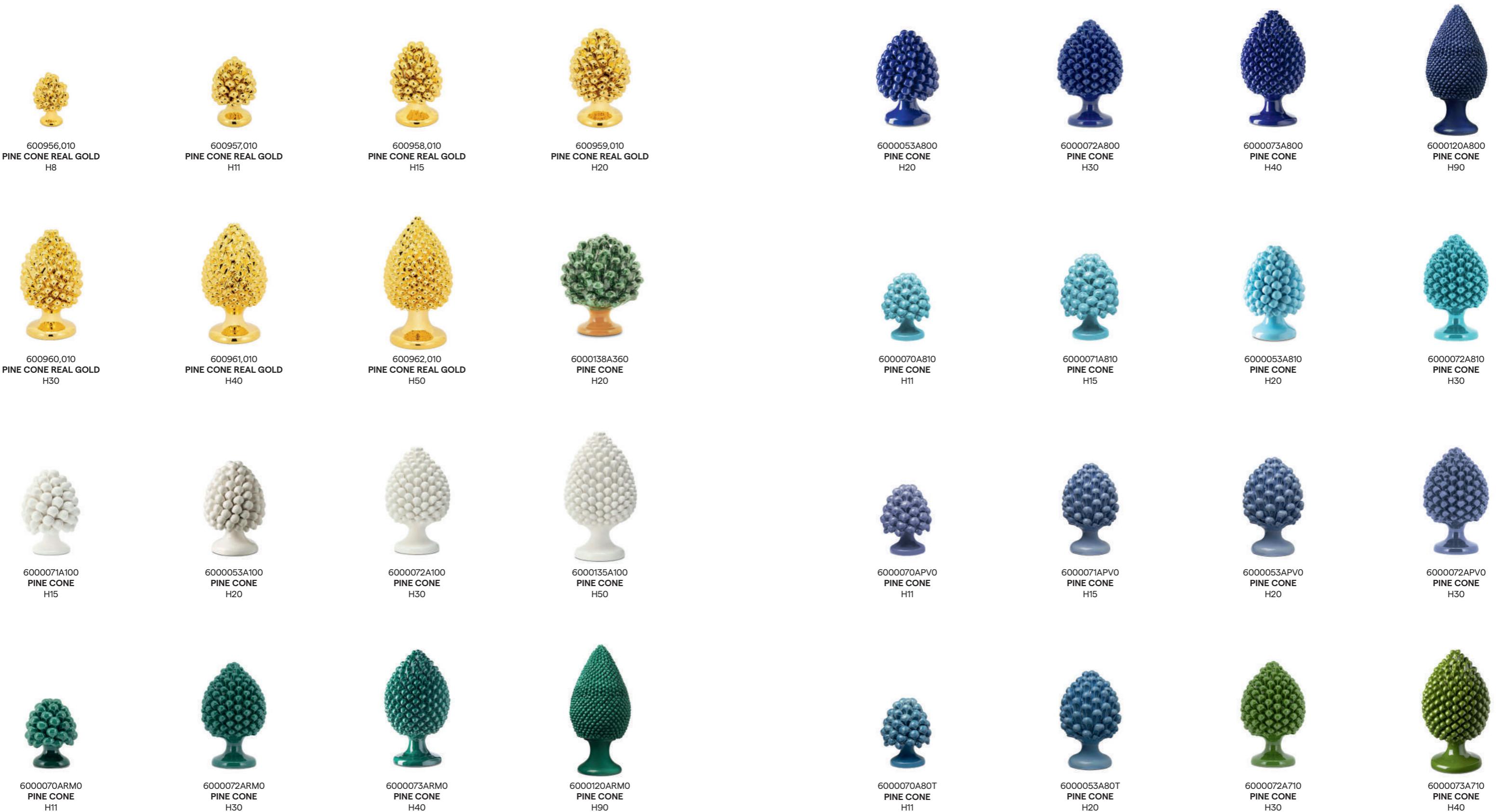
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VASE MORO MAN IVY
H48













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VASE PINNA SPHERE
H19 D22



2000028A800
VASE PINNA SPHERE
H19 D22



2000025A700
VASE PINNA
H20 D18



2000025A800
VASE PINNA
H20 D18



2000223A700
VASE MONSTER FROGGY SMALL
H28 D18



2000222ARMO
VASE MONSTER FROGGY
H34 D25



2000222A700
VASE MONSTER FROGGY
H34 D25



2000230AC40
VASE MONSTER FROGGY BIG
H50 D35



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VASE PINNA
H24 D25



2000026A800
VASE PINNA
H24 D25



2000027A700
VASE PINNA
H36 D35



2000027A800
VASE PINNA
H36 D35



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VASE VRIDE TALL
H42 D26



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VASE VRIDE THIN
H30 D19



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VASE VRIDE WIDE
H17 D45



2000139A10R
VASE VRIDE LARGE
H17 D35



2000226ARMO
VASE MONSTER SMOLLY
H38 D25



2000226A850
VASE MONSTER SMOLLY
H38 D25



2000226A85G
VASE MONSTER SMOLLY
H38 D25



2000226AC40
VASE MONSTER SMOLLY
H38 D25



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VASE VRIDE TALL
H42 D26



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VASE VRIDE WIDE
H17 D45



2000139A830
VASE VRIDE LARGE
H17 D35



2000225ARMO
VASE MONSTER BEENIE SMALL
H44 D18



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H53 D25



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H53 D25



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H74 D35



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VASE VRIDE WIDE
H17 D45



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VASE VRIDE LARGE
H17 D35



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