



Prague:design

Czech design
shops, studios
and showrooms

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Listing symbols:

-  Glass
-  Porcelain & ceramics
-  Jewelry
-  Fashion
-  Lighting
-  Home accessories
-  Footwear
-  Furniture
-  Books
-  Paper
-  Gifts & souvenirs

This guide is intended for those curious about design in Prague but also anyone wishing to bring back a beautiful, well-crafted object – be it a small souvenir, a piece of handmade Bohemian glass, a ring or necklace or an original piece by a local fashion designer.

Our guide is far from exhaustive. What we were trying to convey is the variety of Prague's stores, boutiques, and sales galleries carrying Czech design. This umbrella term covers glass and porcelain (with lighting as a special category), ceramics, jewelry and costume jewelry, fashion, home design including furniture, paper products and finally, books.

While Prague doesn't have a design district per se, the highest concentration of design studios, stores and showrooms can be found in Holešovice, a sprawling former industrial district that has become the new creative center of Prague (and home to several notable galleries). By contrast, local fashion designers tend to favor the Old Town, while major international luxury brands congregate almost exclusively on prestigious Pařížská Street running between the Old Town Square and the river.

The guide also includes a list of regularly held design and fashion events – however, we encourage you to find even more (as well as more shops, studios and showrooms) on our web site prague.eu/design.



Helena Dařbujánová, Lola Women's Boudoir, photo by Bára Prášilová

10 Czech Design Icons



1. Inflatable animals by Libuše Niklová, 1970s, Fatra

From glass to porcelain, from sneakers to toys, there are a number of Czech design objects that have stood the test of time. In the nation's collective consciousness, these pieces define Czech design. Here is a selection among the icons:

1. Inflatable animals, Libuše Niklová, 1970s

A colorful bull, elephant, and giraffe were integral parts of childhood in 1970s Czechoslovakia. Libuše Niklová's animals arose from a long-term cooperation with Fatra, a plastics manufacturer, who once again manufactures these popular animals after a long hiatus.

Where to buy: [GUMA, Ječná 24, Prague 2](#)

2. Krystal Porcelain Box, Pavel Janák, 1911

This glazed ceramic box, composed of 16 white pyramids with a black border along its edges, is an icon of not only Czech design, but of Czech Cubism as a whole. You can find the single original in the collection of Prague's Museum of Decorative Arts. **Where to buy replicas:** [Kubista, p. 28](#)



Oriental Salon, Municipal House, photo by Ivan Král

Must-visit Design Destinations

While in Prague, every design enthusiast should visit at least these four places.

Museum of Decorative Arts

📍 17. listopadu 2, Prague 1 – Old Town ↗ upm.cz

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The Museum's glass collection, one of two most notable in all of Europe, is in a fine reason to visit in and of itself, but the newly-renovated Museum of Decorative Arts has much more to offer: ceramics and porcelain, textile and fashion, toys, jewelry, and even graphic design and photography items, plus a beautiful interior. The local shop is well worth a visit, too.

Czech Cubism

📍 Ovocný trh 19, Prague 1 – Old Town ↗ czkubismus.cz

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The long-term exhibition by the Museum of Decorative Arts in the landmark House at the Black Madonna provides a cross-section of works by early 20th century Czech architects and artists who took the principles of Cubism beyond visual art – to architecture and applied arts, namely ceramics, furniture, lighting, and more. (Don't forget to take a photo of the stunning staircase.) You can conclude the visit with a coffee and pastry at the Cubist-style Grand Café Orient on the second floor, or acquire a Cubist artifact or two in the Kubista store downstairs.



Five-armed brass chandelier, Josef Gočár, 1913, Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague

DIRECTORY

📍 Old Town



Artěl



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📍 **Artěl Concept Store, Platněřská 7, Prague 1**

🌐 artelglass.com ✉ info@artelglass.com

Artěl is a brand of luxury, handmade Czech lead-free crystal, usually engraved. The motifs range thematically from geometric to detailed floral and faunal designs. Its two Prague boutiques offer a wide selection of other design objects as well, including luxury costume jewelry and accessories, iconic Czech toys, as well as a variety of vintage curiosities and fun trinkets.

Bohemia Paper



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📍 **Palác Kinských, Staroměstské nám. 606/12, Prague 1**

🌐 bohemiapaper.cz ✉ obchod@bohemiapaper.cz

Originality and exquisite craftsmanship rank this family-owned company and manufacturer among the top in the world in the field of custom printing. Under its trademark Jan Petr Obr®, they print an exclusive collection of greeting cards. Their shop on the ground floor of the Kinsky Palace on Old Town Square offers their entire range of high-quality handmade paper products.

BOTAS 66



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📍 **Skořepka 4, Prague 1**

🌐 botas66.com ✉ info@botas66.com

The BOTAS 66 lifestyle label, part of the traditional Czech sports brand Botas, was founded in 2008 by the young designers Jan Kloss and Jakub Korouš as part of a school project at Prague's Academy of Art, Architecture, and Design. They're based on the iconic Botas Classic, which was first introduced to the market in 1966. Two BOTAS 66 shops in Prague offer a range of colorful examples of the popular "Botasky" in four models that are available in unisex sizes, including models specifically for children and vegans.





Helena Dařbujánová showroom, photo by Bára Prášilová

Helena Dařbujánová



📍 Veverkova 7, Prague 7

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This successful Czech architect and designer has had a long career in designing and manufacturing furniture and accessories. You can purchase original furniture pieces from her studio at her flagship store on Veverkova Street.

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Jakoby



📍 Veverkova 8, Prague 7

📧 [jakoby.store](mailto:kristyna.bratinkova@gmail.com) 📧 kristyna.bratinkova@gmail.com

Fashion designer Kristýna Javůrková's minimalistic showroom is one of the best-known locations on Letná's Veverkova Street. You'll find not only her original pieces, but also Eva Růžičková's jewelry and Leather Utilities leather accessories.

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Koncept Story



📍 Řezáčovo náměstí 2, Prague 7

📧 [konceptstory.cz](mailto:info@konceptstory.cz) 📧 info@konceptstory.cz

The contemporary design center has the ambition of becoming a kind of incubator, hatching a new generation of Czech designers who have the potential for successful long-term growth. It currently offers the work of 11 young Czech artists, and every three months it hosts interesting guests who present their work as a "story".

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Kuráž

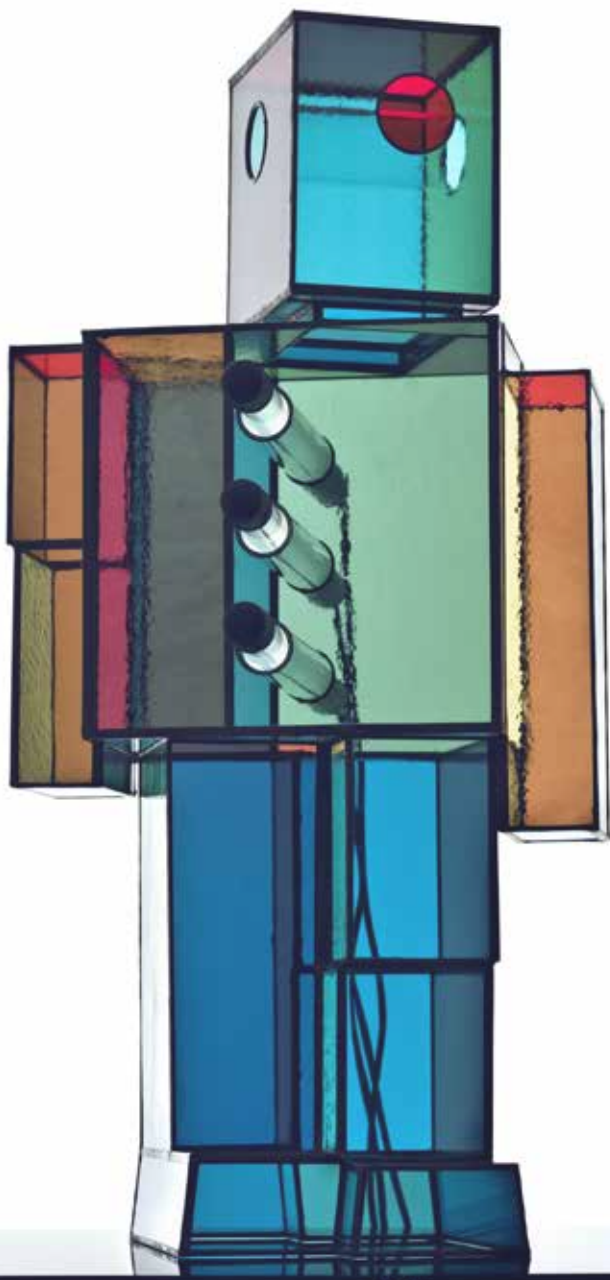


📍 Veletržní 48, Prague 7

📧 [kuraz.cz](mailto:info@kuraz.cz) 📧 info@kuraz.cz

This Letná boutique focuses on affordable items by young Czech and Slovak designers. In addition to fashion and accessories, you can also shop here for gifts and decorations, as well as books, games, and even chocolate.

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Robot light sculpture by Jakub Berdych
for Křehký, 2014, photo Salim Issa



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