



# Frank&Frank

leather city maps

the courage to do amazing things

**city art  
design**

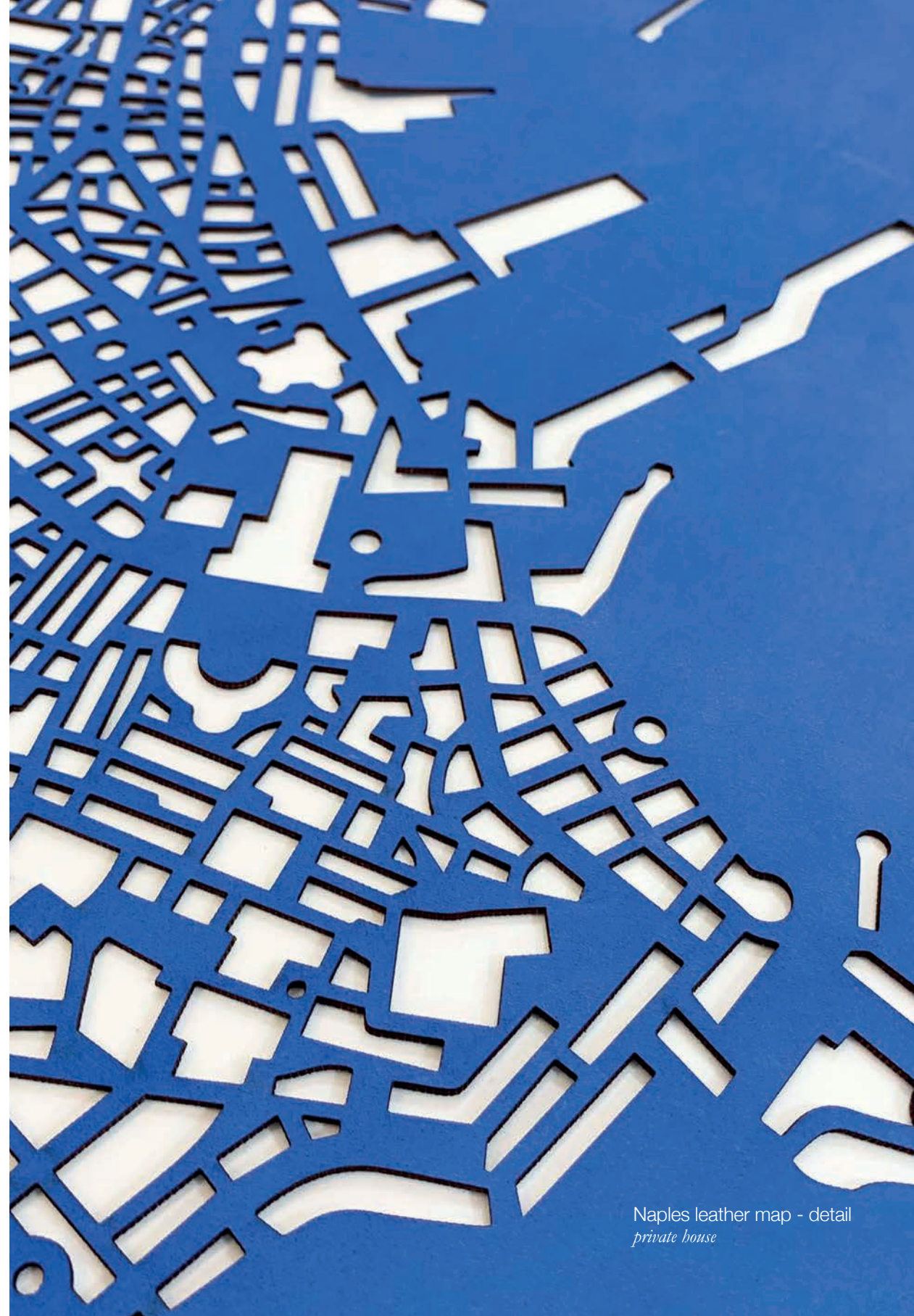
geometries,  
colours,  
labyrinths,  
cultures  
and spaces  
as carriers  
of emotions.

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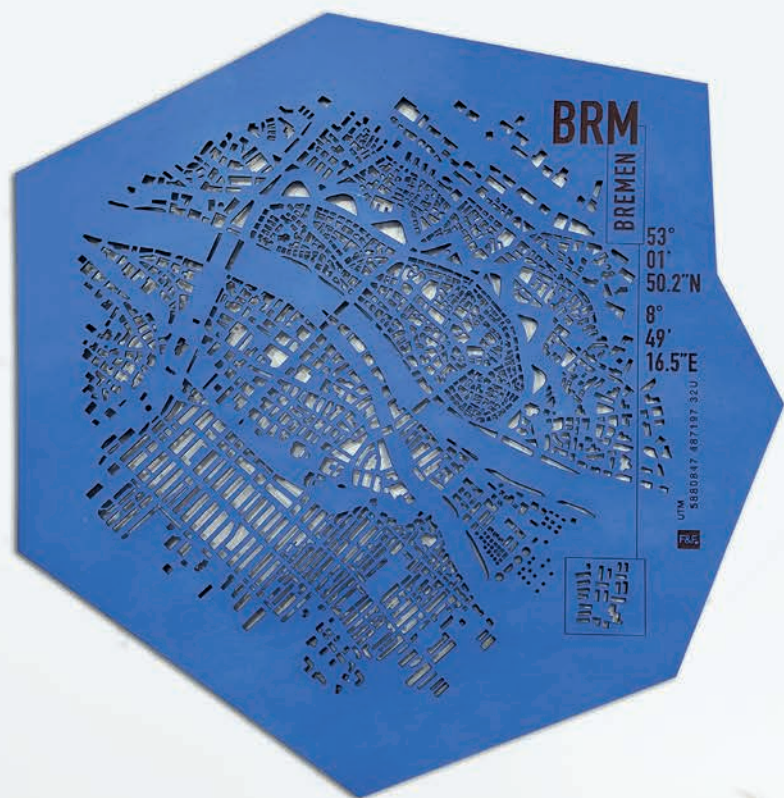
We are a designers company focused on the creation of limited edition or unique pieces Art Design products, specifically cities map laser cut on leather for any kind of home interiors, hotels and halls.

Our aim is to create art from cartography designing any city requested. Our product is one of a kind with an high level of customization. Leather is the element on which cities are engraved on by using laser technologies.

Paris leather map  
*private house*



Naples leather map - detail  
*private house*



Brema leather map  
*design shop*

# the project

The project is about to tell the feeling of looking at the world by providing a powerful reflection on the beauty of cartography. Drawing cities on leather is a reduction process of the map from the image to an almost abstract structure, an artistic way of interpreting a certain place, made up of essential lines and balances. Our design process is characterized by a deep mix between manual artistic creation based italian design and technological innovation.

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NO HARMFUL  
CHEMICALS



VEGETABLE  
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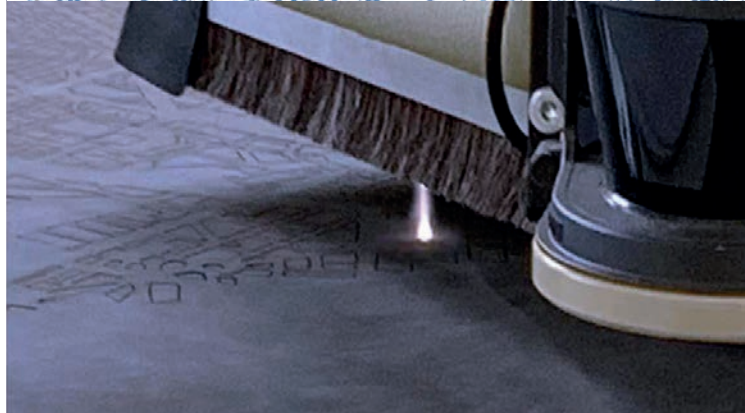
100%  
BIODEGRADABLE



ITALIAN  
PRODUCT



how  
we  
work



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## vegetable tanned leather

It's a precious material that embodies the signs of time as an expression of naturalness, called "vegetable tanning" for the use of vegetable tannins, obtained from the trunk and bark of trees, plant and flowers, thanks to an ancient barrel dyeing technique.

## design process

Drawing cities is an artistic process of reduction from the real city image to an almost abstract structure: the result is a geometric mosaic where daily life and art meet.

## laser cut

The leather is cut with a high precision laser and the geographical coordinates engraved on the surface.

Subsequently the map is refined manually.

## easy hanging

Thanks to the magnets and the hidden metal structure, the maps appear suspended on any surface and can be hung like a simple painting. The natural and invisible magnetic force is the perfect solution.

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# customized project

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Our product is one of a kind with an high level of customization. It's possible to modify the geographic coordinates or put a logo engraved on the leather in relation to a specific place in the city (Company headquarters, Hotel, Museum...).

In the HO.RE.CA. world many have already chosen our project to personalize their environments.

Maps are an element of great charm and create a strong relationship with both classic and modern environments.



Venice leather maps  
*hotel setting*  
JW Marriott Venice Resort  
Isola delle Rose Venezia





Turin 1700  
city leather map  
*Savoy bar*



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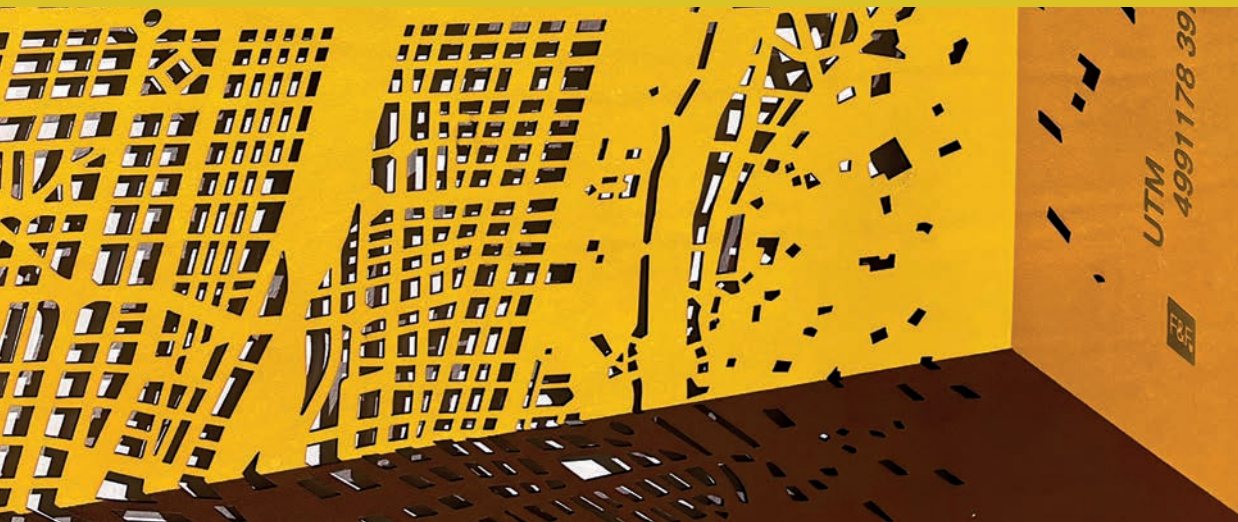
# art city maps

Our design does not stop at simple representations of cities but seeks artistic visions of the cities themselves.

The collection of volumetric maps creates 3D effects even though the map is completely flat.

The leather is colored with natural anilines and creates an incredible effect and “opens up” new spaces on the walls.

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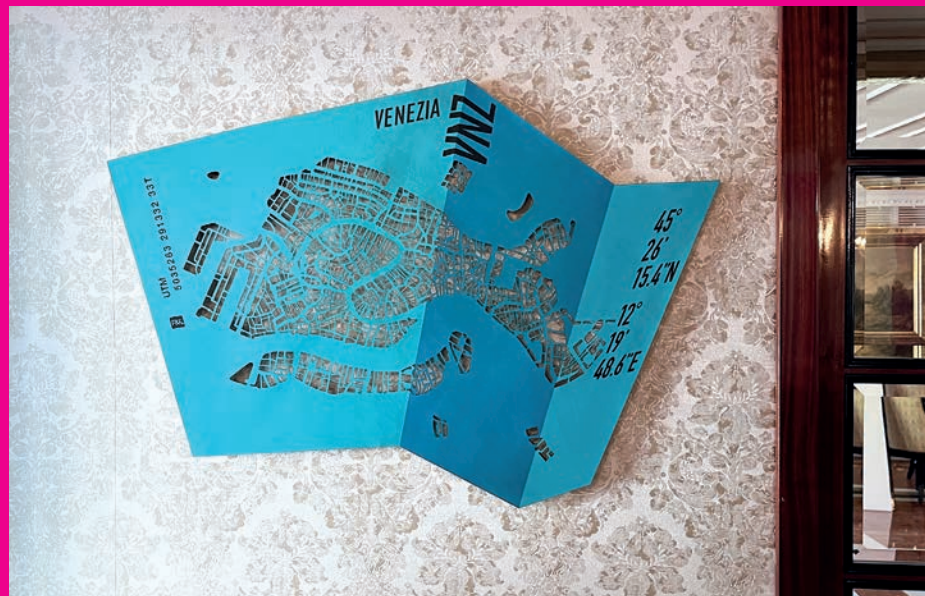
Turin 3D  
art city leather map  
*Savoy restaurant*

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# flying city maps

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We carry out specific projects such as the “flying city maps”, created for the Venice Biennial and inspired by the myth of the flying carpet of Indo-Persian tradition. Frank&Frank’s maps recall evocative force, colour, shapes; promise of distance, the plot of cities, a geometric interweaving that tells stories, a mysterious warp, a limited space in which to free the imagination.



Venice leather map  
of flying city  
*Baglioni Luna Hotel  
Veenice*





Naples leather map  
of flying city  
*Baglioni Luna Hotel  
Veenice*



Manhattan leather map  
of flying city  
*Baglioni Luna Hotel  
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Special project

# art city lamp

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The painted leather of the city becomes an artistic LED lamp to be placed in any environment. Pleasant and elegant, it represents a unique object of its kind.



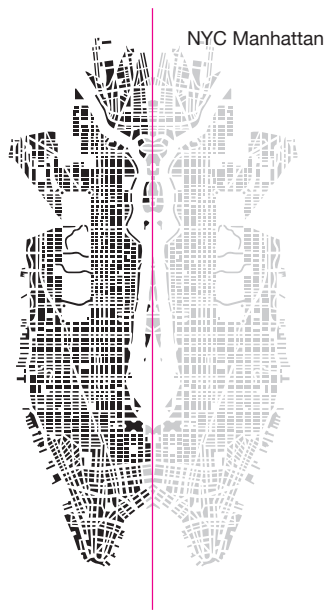
# art exhibition

Biennale Venezia 2023  
Grand Tour  
International Venice Airport - Marco Polo  
*Arrival Hall*



## Special project art city maps

the minotaur project draws inspiration from the myth of the labyrinth and the creature that inhabits it. The map of the city is mirrored horizontally and an ancestral and primitive figure emerges generated by its double, a symbolic figure: the minotaur. The mythological figure of the minotaur belongs to us, an ambivalent creature partly animal and partly divine. As modern Minotaurs we live in ever larger and more complex labyrinthine megacities.



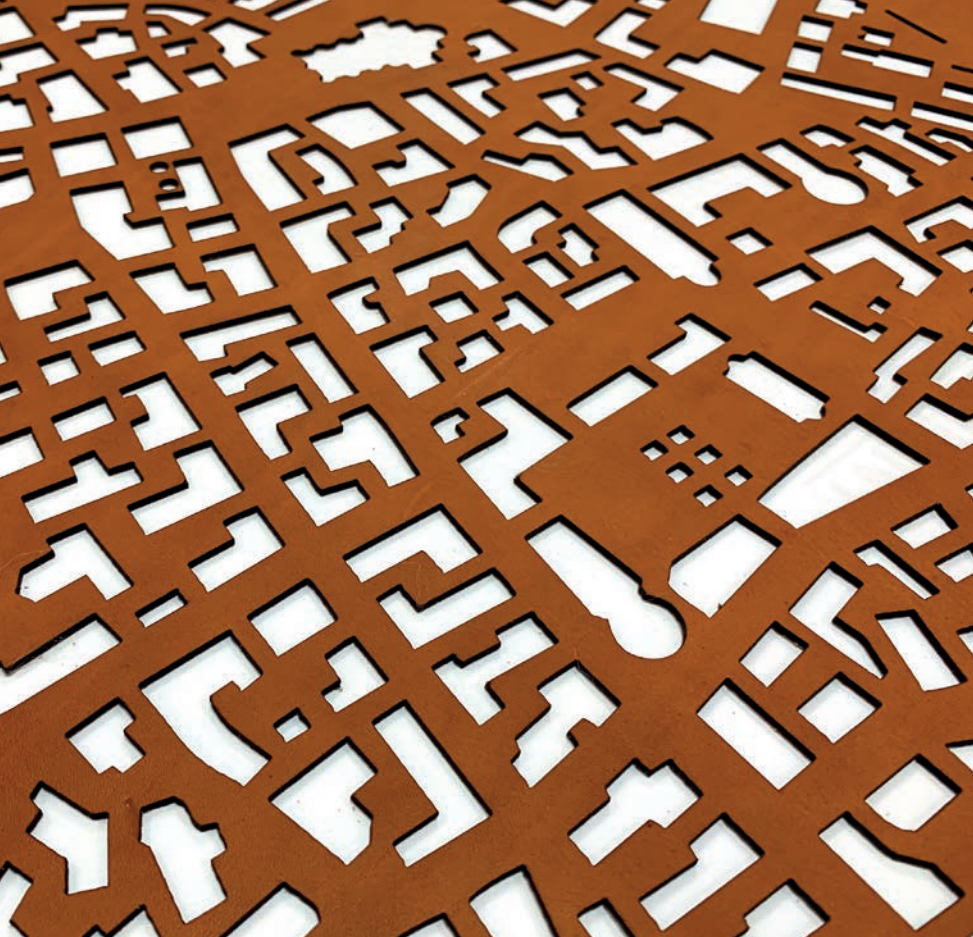
# private setting

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The map has always been a symbol of knowledge, the emotion of travel and an emotional reference. Like the ancient maps hung in private homes and which we can still see in some 17th century paintings, our project has an “ancient” sensitivity but with a modern edge, intended for the sensitivity and environments of our time.



Cuneo  
city leather map  
*Private Office*



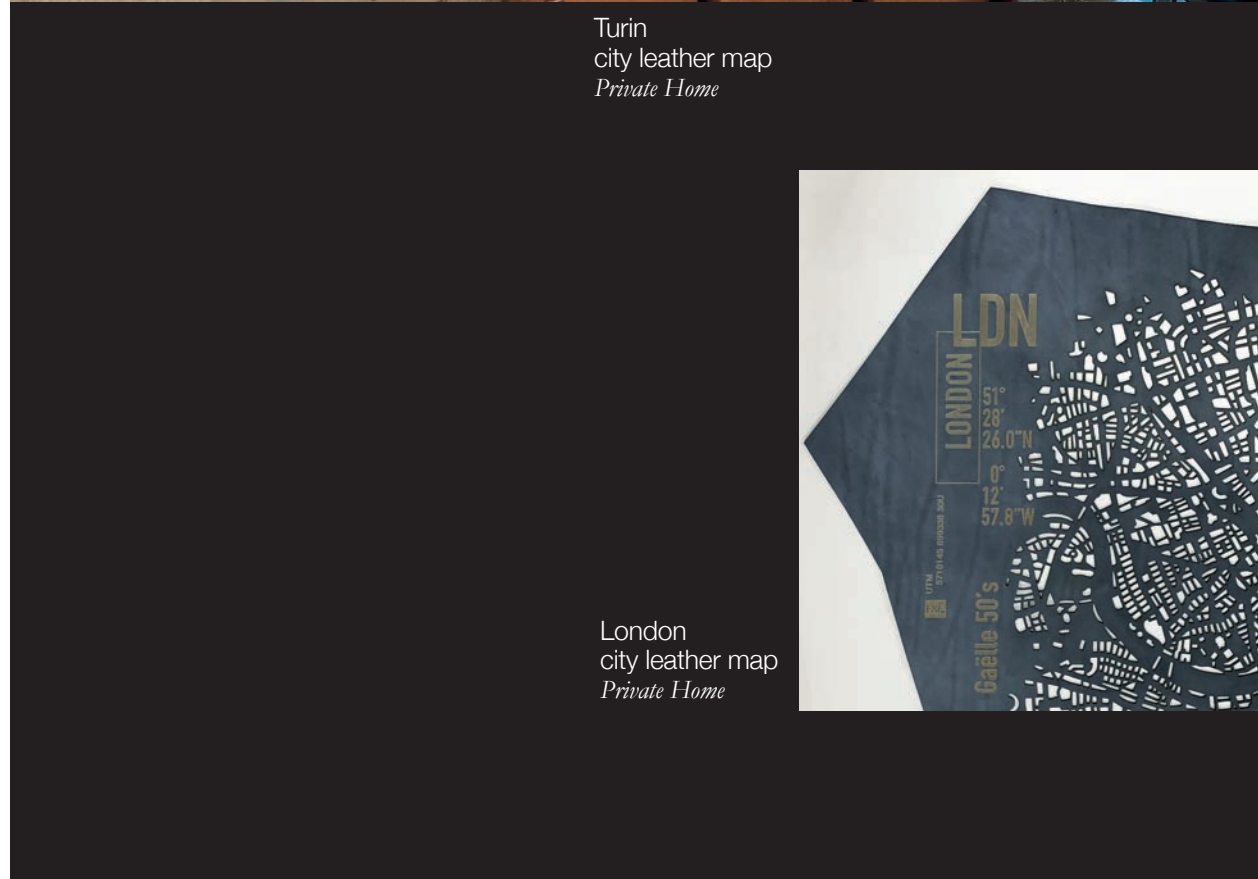
Alba, detail  
city leather map  
*Private Home*



Turin  
city leather map  
*Private Home*



Ortigia  
city leather map  
*Private Home*



London  
city leather map  
*Private Home*

# not only leather

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Our mission of creating beauty with city maps can be applied to any type of support and obtain unusual and captivating creations. We like to collaborate with interior design professionals to plan any type of project together. Our creativity and our skills can give you a different touch.



Turin city map  
*Metal lamp*



Milan city map  
*Carved stones*



Milan city map  
*metal table*

Ravenna city map  
*Carpet*



Venice city map  
*Big metal support*



Turin - Manhattan NYC city map  
*Cushions*

Turin city map  
*Digital project*



# about us

The Frank&Frank project is about telling the emotion of the vision of the world through the passion for designing unique and tailor-made leather city maps for any kind of setting: home, office, hotel, museumstore. City maps laser as a geometric artwork where daily life and art meet, making each numbered piece, unique and unrepeatable.

Marcella Molinini and Roberto De Gregorio believe in the charm of cartography and cultivating this mission starting from their multi-year of experience and skill in the field of fashion and visual design.

Always curious and passionate reinterpreting the city maps like urban creatures, geometries, colours, mazes, cultures and spaces as carriers of emotions, opening new perspectives about the places we live in.

2023- Exposition Luxury Venaria Reale (TO)

2023- Habitat Valencia

2023- Biennale Architettura “Flying City leather maps” Venice Baglioni Hotel Luna

2023- Biennale Architettura “Grand Tour” Venice Marco Polo airport

2022- Apart Art Turin Italy

2022- Paratissima Turin Italy

2022- Biennale Arte “Il segno dell’Acqua” Venice JW Marriott Resort & Spa

2021- Exposition GH Alassio Italy

2021- Biennale Architettura Venice JW Marriott Resort & Spa

2020- Exposition to Design2Taste

2019- Fondazione Masieri Venice

2019- Design Week Venice “JW Marriott Venice”

2019- Ca’ Pesaro Contemporary Art Museum Venice

2019- “Le città Invisibili” Paratissima Turin

2019- Open Showroom in Turin

2019- Fuori Salone Milan (Brera, Fabbrica del Vapore)

2018- Paratissima Turin

2018- Venice design week “Scala Contarini”

2018- Paratissima Milan

2017- Paratissima Turin

2017- Design in the City Turin

2016- Art in the City Turin

2015- TEDx Turin

2014- Design Circus Milan

2014- Paratissima exposition Turin

2014- Arte Design in Milan



*“Cities like dreams are built of desires and fears, even if the thread of their discourse is secret, their rules absurd, their perspectives misleading, and everything hides another”.*

Italo Calvino  
*Italian writer and novelist*



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