



ASIAN CHARM

Melandas is a welcome respite from the pedestrian furniture brands

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Since 1983, Melandas is recognised as one of Asia's leading furniture manufacturer and retailers with showrooms in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Australia, Jakarta and Hong Kong. In fact, there are franchise outlets even in Korea, Middle East, New Zealand and United Kingdom.

The company collaborates with European and Australian designers to create sumptuous sofas and armchairs, lighting pieces, decorative vases, dining and occasional tables. Fine fabrics and leathers are sourced from Europe while woven wicker pieces are handcrafted by artisans from Asia.

Even though Melandas' production factory facilities are situated in China, Indonesia, Malaysia and Vietnam, the company has an effective integrated network to share ideas and offer efficient logistics.

Melandas' latest flagship store is situated at the third floor of The Cathay building along the Orchard Road belt. Its 3,500 sq ft space offers a comprehensive array of furniture pieces to decorate your prized home. You'll find furniture pieces designed with an oriental slant and even if you're not sure about what to get for your home, their friendly sales staff is at hand



to offer interior and decorative advice. Of course, for those who prefer European style furniture, Melandas offers a collection to curate your space. You'll find neutral coloured sofas and armchairs with clean, minimalist lines. For discerning homeowners, one can even find pieces handcrafted in luxurious, high-quality fabrics and leathers.

And for house-proud individuals who wish to have a touch of drama, there are eye-catching, leather-clad suspension lights, female busts decorated with mirror chips, artificial aloe vera and cacti plants that look life-like, Chesterton-style armchairs in plush velvet, large floor-standing vases, and much more.

The company's foray into eco-friendly furniture is not new. Its recent collections include coffee, dining and occasional tables made of recycled wood. There are also boxes, mirror frames, lights and tables made of recycled magazine paper, too. For a touch of natural beauty in your space, one can even pick up a lighting piece made of drift wood. The lampshade illuminates the subtle beauty and grace of the weathered wood and it instantly becomes a conversation piece when guests pop by. One unique product is an armchair made from strips of used leather then hand-sewn professionally by artisans. This charming piece is testament to Melandas' creativity and the company's deep respect for the environment.



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