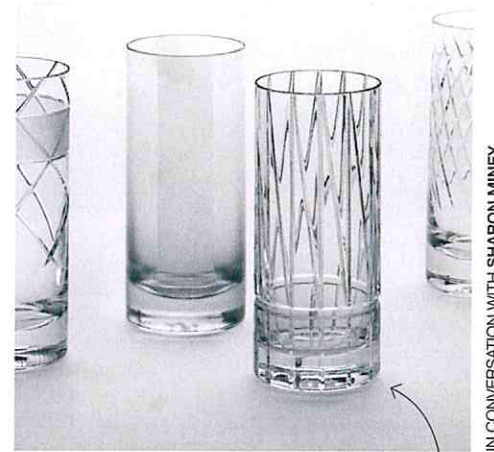


# CRYSTAL HEALER



Fusing centuries-old craftsmanship with dynamic contemporary design, Anike Tyrrell is on a one-woman mission to revive glass-making in Waterford with chic J. Hill's Standard crystal. Here, she shares with us her favourite people, places and things ...



IN CONVERSATION WITH SHARON MINNEY



## INTERNATIONAL INSPIRATION

My favourite city has to be Paris: you arrive up into the centre of soaring beauty from the bowels of the Metro, and shuffle out of the human tide to take it in – the still order of it holding off the human flux. But my top holiday destination would be Cadaques in Catalonia – a hippie enclave that's matured into a foodie heaven, with cobblestone streets and pristine water.

**TOUCH OF GLASS** It struck me that there was the potential to revive mouth-blown and hand-cut glass in Waterford for a new, modern user. Our plan for J. Hill's Standard is to use what skills remain in the area and build on those through apprenticeships and collaborations with other glass houses (jhillsstandard.com).

**WATERFORD'S MY OYSTER** I live outside Dungarvan, Co Waterford. I love it because we are cradled between the Comeragh mountains, the sea and the Blackwater river, and Harty Oysters from nearby Ring are a local treat (hartyoysters.com).



**A SHED-LOAD OF TALENT** The design shop I most admire is Makers & Brothers' Shed in Blackrock, Co Dublin – as much for its own intrinsic loveliness as the great direction and inspiration they provide for Irish makers (makersandbrothers.com).

**SEASIDE APPETITE** I would spend my ideal day off in Waterford fly-fishing on the Blackwater, then enjoying a sundowner at the Cliff House Hotel, Ardmore (thecliffhousehotel.com), before heading home to clean out my fish and place him with much reverence – plus some dill and lemon – on the barbecue.



**LEADING LIGHT** One project we're working on now is with young Norwegian light designer Daniel Rybakken – a functional one-off art piece which centres around the counter-weighted movement of crystal glass (danielrybakken.com).

## BOTTLE BOND

I've loved collaborating with Patrick Shelley of new Irish-made Kalak Vodka – he and mixologist Oisin Davis came up with a range of cocktails made with beautiful and restrained ingredients inspired by J. Hill's glass (kalakvodka.com).

