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Ngala Trading introduces the Taking Flight collection of tabletop and pillows in celebration of the 40th anniversary of Ardmore Design.

With artistic depictions of native birds among lush African landscapes, the new Ardmore designs tell a nature-led story of creating an inviting home.

March 19, 2025; New York, NY—Ngala Trading introduces a new line of soft tabletop and pillows, expanding the brand's long-standing distribution partnership with Ardmore Design. The patterns are hand-painted by Ardmore artisans and translated to fabric, creating a story of natural African landscapes in vibrant, rich colors.

The Taking Flight soft tabletop collection tells the story of the loving nature of the male weaver bird that spends countless summer hours carefully crafting intricate grass nests within the karroo thorn trees until its mate selects the perfect nest to start a family. The artwork celebrates the dedication to building a home and captures the essence of this sentimental scene, weaving memories of love, connection, and beauty of nature into its design. Thanda Nest tabletop pattern is offered in two sizes of tablecloths and two sizes of runners in a Mist and Parakeet colorway. The Taking Flight collection offers two napkin patterns - Thanda Nest and Thanda Bloom, each in two to three coordinating colorways.

Complementing the new tabletop collection is the Hornbill Garden pillow. It features a charismatic hornbill on one side, a symbol of fortune, prosperity, and community, along with a hoopoe bird and lily flower on the other side, an intricate design that is inspired by traditional Zulu beadwork. Available in three materials, cotton, velvet, or silk, in Ardmore's signature Stone colorway, the two-sided pillow offers colorful versatility that depicts lively African landscapes.

"I am endlessly inspired by the artwork that Ardmore artists create and how they're able to translate scenes in nature into wonderful stories that grace our interiors," says Lawson Ricketts, Creative Director of Ngala Trading. "Ardmore tabletop and pillows have become a staple in the overall Ngala Trading story and product offering. It is always a pleasure to debut a fresh collection and share a new South African wildlife story with our American clients who are often looking to bring a little outdoor inspiration into their interiors."

The Taking Flight collection debuts online via NgalaTrading.com on March 12 and will make its tradeshow debut at High Point Market in April 2025. Following its market debut, select pieces will be on display in the Ngala Trading flagship showroom at the New York Design Center. Design professionals are encouraged to open a trade account for sampling and ordering. For more information, please visit NgalaTrading.com.



About Ngala Trading: Ngala Trading is a leading resource to North America's premier boutique home furnishing stores and interior design firms for their lighting, furniture, décor, and accessories requirements. Founded in 2016 by Nick Geimer and Lawson Ricketts, Ngala Trading is now the largest importer and distributor of sustainably and ethically sourced handmade, luxury lighting, furniture, and home decor curated from across the African continent. Design headquarters for Ngala Trading is based in New York, New York. To learn more, visit www.ngalatrading.com.

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