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The Natural Stone of La Grande Muraglia Heads Home: Outdoors

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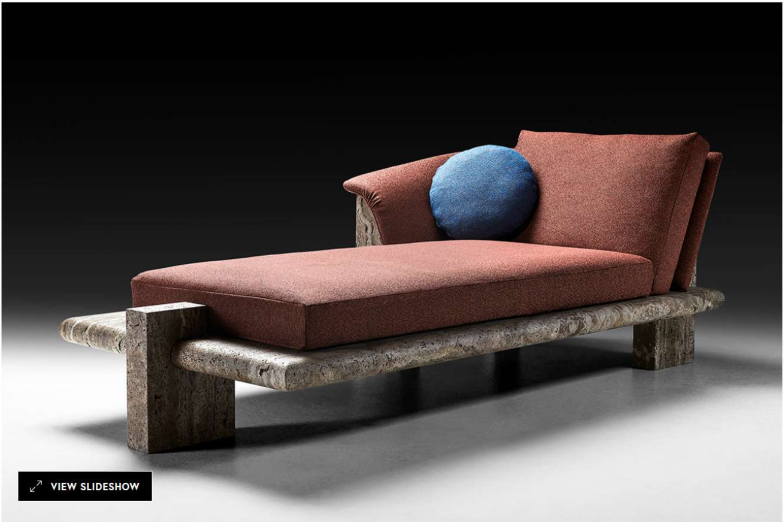
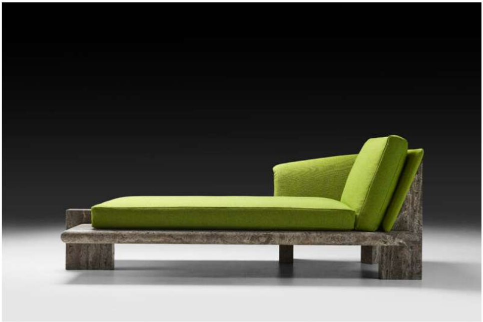
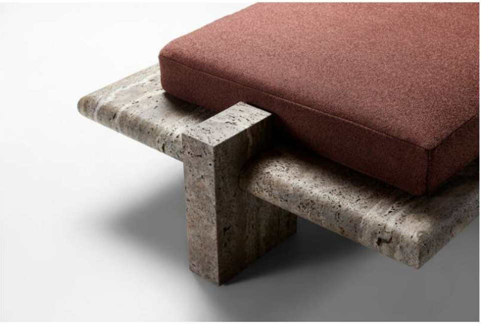


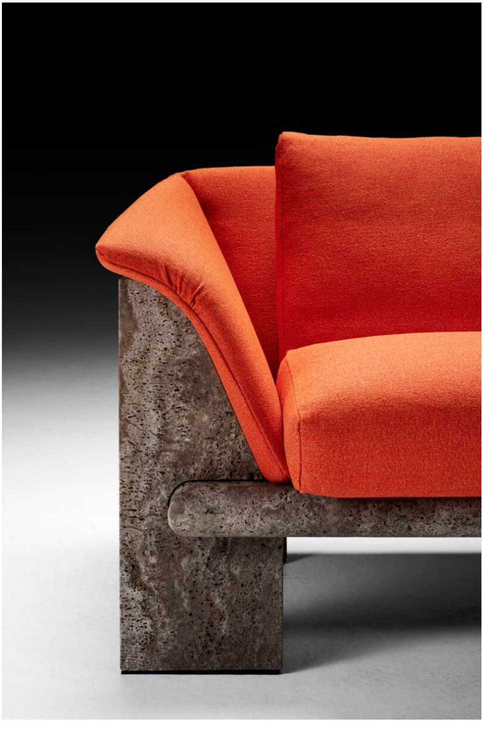
Forty-three years after La Grande Muraglia, a collaborative furniture collection from architect and designer **Mario Bellini** and B&B Italia founder **Piero Ambrogio Busnelli** was realized by marble and stone specialists, **NEUTRA**, it's been reimagined. **La Grande Muraglia Outdoor**, making an appearance during **Milan Design Week 2024**, is NEUTRA's first foray into outdoor furniture. This collection of majestic seating that displays sculptural and architectural details in natural stone places the material right back where it began.

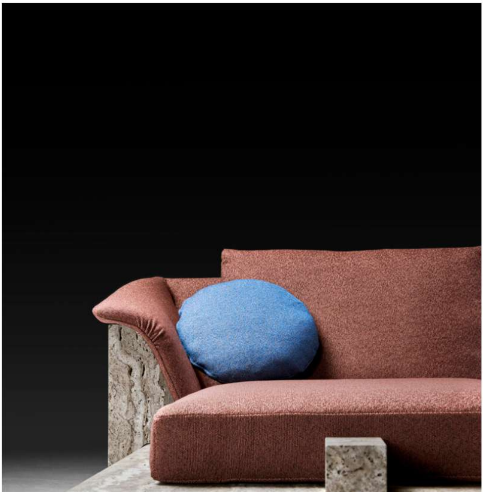
La Grande Muraglia Outdoor was developed under the creative direction of **Migliore+Servetto** to offer comfortable outdoor living that will stand the test of time without compromising on quality or design. A Silver travertine structure was chosen for use throughout the family – a three-seater sofa, a two-seater sofa, an armchair, and a chaise lounge – for its intense coloration and high porosity. NEUTRA enhances its veining before treating the travertine with an open-pore brushed finish for guaranteed durability and uniqueness.

For the outdoor collection's removable upholstery, made using waterproof polyurethane covered with resin-coated fiber and a water-repellent polyester lining, you have the choice of five colors that range from bright and vibrant to relaxed and natural: Zaffiro, Matcha, Corallo, Terracotta, and Tabacco. The cushions used in La Grande Muraglia Outdoor's pieces are easy to remove when it's time to store them away for winter, allowing the sculptural base to show its full shape and presence. You'll then be able to more easily identify the architectural elements the uprights and frame are modeled after: pillars and a lintel.









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