

# Press kit 2019



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# DESIGN AND EXPERTISE IN AESTHETICS

MELJAC is a market leader in the design and manufacturing of luxury electrical hardware, including switches, sockets, thermostats, home automation systems, door bells, table and reading lamps, etc.

Their strong technical expertise also offers unmatched capabilities for providing bespoke solutions based on project needs.

The brand offers an extensive choice of products, with a variety of sizes and finishes (nickel, chrome, copper and bronze) with quality materials as brass, glass, Limoges porcelain, semi-precious stones...

Through years of experience in combining aesthetics with technology and craftsmanship, MELJAC is a trusted partner for the world's best architects, designers, contractors, and discerning individuals, etc.



Elegant, understated and timeless design, using quality materials and refined finishes...

These principles are the core of all MELJAC creations.

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## PERFORMANCE IN FIGURES

**2** showrooms      **2** factories      **70** employees

**8,5 M€** in 2018      **59** authorized resellers in the world

**2012** : label OFG      **2015** : EPV label

**36%** of turnover made abroad      **35%** of products are personalized

**5%** of turnover to innovation      **0** limits!

# LEADERSHIP: A VISIONARY FOUNDER

Originally from a small village in Aveyron, André BOUSQUET left his birthplace to become an electrical-contractor in Paris. While working on beautiful residences and hotels, he noticed that the available electrical hardware did not match the elegance and level of finish found on the projects.



*André BOUSQUET,  
Founder*

After falling unconditionally in love with Paris, he decided to settle there and being manufacturing light switches and socket, made with quality materials and traditional manufacturing techniques, in order to complement high-end projects. He had to choose a name. Without hesitation he opted for the name of his childhood village, still dear to his heart: MELJAC.

His innovative and attractive products combined usability, beauty and quality craftsmanship, in turn captivating many architects, designers and individuals.

André BOUSQUET was a trailblazer and avant-gardist who lead his company to a top position in the luxury electrical hardware market by continuing to improve and offer new products. He began the company's international expansion in 1997. In 2015, to celebrate Meljac's 20th birthday and prepare for the future, André Bousquet decided to bring managing director, Jean-Michel Lagarde, on-board. The role was created to structure company management as its rise required a new organisational approach. Its products are now sold in 60 countries through authorised Meljac resellers.

During four years of close collaboration, André Bousquet shared his passion for the company with Jean-Michel Lagarde, entrusting him with its growth and promoting the brand on the international stage.

At the beginning of 2019, André Bousquet unexpectedly passed away, which was a tremendous loss for all that knew and worked with him. However, his dynamism, respect for French craftsmanship and big heart left an indelible mark on the company. Today, it is an honor for Jean-Michel Lagarde to carry on this legacy and is more determined than ever to see Meljac develop. He is supported by 70 expert employees who, thanks to their passion and care, will ensure the company's continued success.



*Jean-Michel LAGARDE,  
CEO*



As a symbol of love to his home region, André BOUSQUET planted vines from the Aveyron on the grounds of the MELJAC factory outside of Paris. This vineyard pays homage to the great wines of the Aveyron such as the famous "Côtes de Millau". The first harvest took place in 2013.

*265 vine plants planted behind the MELJAC factory*

# FRENCH MANUFACTURING OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY

Discover the secrets to MELIAC's  
expertise in the video:



# TWO FACTORIES

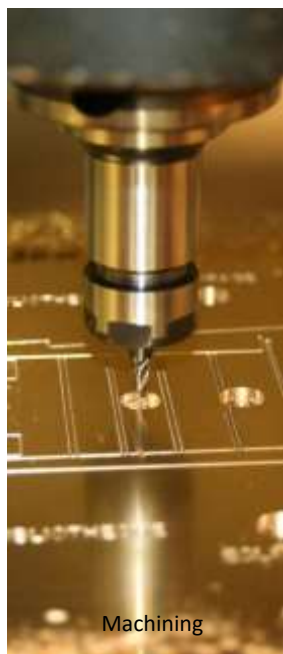
## (Paris)

Handcrafted in our workshops close to Paris, MELJAC products are the result of expertise applied to every step of the manufacturing process: design/engineering, stamping, engraving, finishing and mounting, before being packaged for global export.

The [know-how](#) of MELJAC team is involved in achieving each of these steps.

The result is a highly popular standard range and high demand for the tailor-made products that MELJAC is known for.

The manufacture process combines cutting-edge technology and tools with irreplaceable French savoir-faire and craftsmanship.







# PROVEN EXPERTISE

In 1995, André BOUSQUET dared to market  
a range of brass switches and sockets.

Inspired by the lifestyle of the 1930s, symbolised by the drop-shaped toggle switch, André BOUSQUET designed a product with impeccable aesthetic qualities. Today, this innovation remains the company's strength.

After a number of crucial steps such as conformity to standards, the technical development of the models and their adaptation to the market, the range was expanded.

Besides sockets and lighting controls, MELJAC increasingly responds to requests for adaptations and cover plates for third-party mechanisms and systems (bells, alarms, keypads, temperature controls, motion-sensors detectors, etc.).

Present on the international scene, the company has more than 35 dealers in France and abroad, where the market is experiencing strong growth.

Born of high-precision technology and skilled craftsmanship, the unique sensual and seductive beauty of MELJAC electrical equipment enhances distinctive interiors and blends easily with any decor.



- 1998 : 1<sup>st</sup> manufacturing workshop
- 2001 : Workshop expansion
- 2005 :
  - ▶ New factory
  - ▶ Many recruitments
  - ▶ High performance machinery investment
- 2009 :
  - ▶ Redemption of the surface treatment workshop
- 2010 :
  - ▶ Custom-built factory (2.300 m<sup>2</sup>)
- 2012 :
  - ▶ Label OFG (Origine France Garantie)
- 2015 :
  - ▶ Recruitment of a CEO
  - ▶ EPV label (Entreprise du Patrimoine Vivant)
- 2017 : Extension of the OFG label to all products
- 2018 : 1<sup>st</sup> subsidiary MELJAC (USA)

MELJAC controls the whole production chain.





In 2012, the brand obtained the "Guaranteed French Origin" label for all of its lines in brass and its reading lamps, then in 2017 for the whole range (porcelain and glass). The award of this label, guaranteeing at least 50% French manufacturing, falls within the values held dear to the company. In fact, almost the entire range is well beyond this figure.



In August 2015, MELJAC is proud to be the first company in its sector to being awarded by the EPV label (Entreprise du Patrimoine Vivant).



Brass



Porcelain



Glass



# A GLOBAL PRESENCE

2 years after its foundation, MELJAC created an Export department to begin selling its products abroad. The first international sales were in Switzerland, followed by requests from Italy, Russia and Lebanon. As a result, products were designed specifically for foreign markets, many of which were created for the hotel sector. The process of obtaining local standards approvals often required several years of work.

The well-known quality of products carrying the "Made in France" label, the brand's famous design skills and its corporate values were genuinely attractive overseas.

Since 2014, MELJAC has been putting a solid network of retailers of its products in place abroad. Little by little MELJAC is expanding to new and promising markets in an ever-widening geographic area. The company designs products adapted to their market place and guarantees it will offer high quality service and support for orders and projects.

Today MELJAC is available in 60 countries, sold by 22 retailers all over the world (outside France) and has 1 subsidiary in the United States of America.

## Controlled and durable international expansion

MELJAC rewarded for its Export strategy, winner of the Export category in the Trophées de l'international CCI Paris IDF 2017, confirmed.



## MELJAC opens its first international subsidiary in 2018 and chooses the United States

In 2018, MELJAC enhanced its position in the American market with the opening of its first international subsidiary, MELJAC North America.

Previously available only through an independent distributor, this direct presence now allows the company to provide better customer service through deeper involvement and insights into this sprawling market.

With operations based in California and inclusion in the [Par Excellence](#) showroom in New York, MELJAC North America will be able to maximize our support growth amongst clients on both coasts.

[www.meljac-na.com](http://www.meljac-na.com)

To find the retailer closest to you:

[www.meljac.com](http://www.meljac.com) / [contacts](#)

# PRODUCT RANGE

MELJAC offers thousands of products, a wide range of standard equipment, numerous tailor-made creations as well as stylish collections with other materials (glass, aluminium, stainless steel, bronze inlaid with precious stones, minerals, wood and leather).

Technical innovation and quality-assured working methods drive company growth internationally.

Most products can be adapted for installation in foreign back boxes.

 [See the catalogue](#)



## CLASSIQUE

*brass, beveled edges*



## ELLIPSE

*brass, toggle switch, straight edges*



## DAMIER

*brass, square buttons, straight edges*



## ELLIOT

*Contactless detection*



## SOL

*Brass, IP44*



## VOLUMES

*Doorbells*



## PIERROT

*Tempered glass*



## LIMOGES

*Limoges porcelain, Classique or Ellipse toggle*



## PRESTIGE

*Semi-precious stones*




## READING LAMPS

*Classique or Ellipse toggle*

Meljac offers a wide range of finishes for its [collections](#) and other lines of products



 [See the colour chart](#)



## PLEXIGLASS

*Switches and sockets*



## CANNELÉE

*Brass with waves*



## SPOTS

*Brass*



## LAMPES

*Table lamps, Classique toggle*

# BESPOKE SOLUTIONS

Besides designing new collections, the E&D teams also study also take on requests for custom-made products.

Several mechanisms, equipment combinations, casings, customization...

MELJAC is committed to supporting its customers in their approach by offering them a consultancy service run by knowledgeable professionals.

Some examples of [tailor-made](#) products :



1 electronic buzzer



Casing for an alarm keyboard



Casing for a Lutron system



Thermostat (Devireg)



thermostat (Feller)  
Swiss pattern



Casing for an entry digital and phone system



Smart card reader  
(Vimar - Eikon)



Engravings available in all languages, all symbols, numbers, pictograms, decorations...

With very specific knowledge of the [hospitality sector](#), MELJAC can meet the most specific needs with products tailored to each special requirement.

Conventional switches and home automation systems, reading lamps, bells, thermostats, HVAC controls, card readers, but also door plates with engravings of room numbers and other indoor signages.

MELJAC now installs sophisticated multimedia systems as mediaHub TeleAdapt. Hotel guests can choose all kind of connectors, USB, USB2, HDMI, Bluetooth, remote activation...





Le Royal Mansour à Marrakech



Le Meurice à Paris



Le Roch Hôtel & Spa à Paris



L'hôtel La Réserve à Paris





# INNOVATIONS

MELJAC products are not just beautiful.  
Technical research and development have produced in patents and exclusive technologies.

## The brass power strips

This innovative product line is currently composed of 4 models (Calypso, the "Z", the Pyramid and the Totem).

The power strips are customizable, thanks to engravings and combinations of mechanisms (sockets, USB, RJ45, switches, control screen ...).



*New on the market*

## SOL collection: IP44



*Patented model*

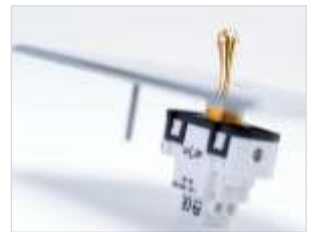
Made in 10 mm-thick solid brass, (14mm for other countries), the SOL Collection is robust, elegant and water-resistant (IP44).

The range is available in single, double or quadruple configuration which can accommodate various mechanisms such as power sockets, USB sockets, RJ sockets, even a switch.

## IDM mechanisms

This new generation of mechanisms is available on numerous products.

They have lots of advantages: secure terminals, a more reliable connection and above all a connecting without constraints, quick and easy.



*Exclusive to MELJAC*



## Cannelée collection

Last innovation: a new made from solid brass with a distinctive, striated surface. Designed with the architect Jean-Michel Wilmotte.



# PROJECTS

## Non-exhaustive list

### PALACES & HÔTELS

Lutetia, Paris  
Four Seasons (Paris / Bahreïn / Miami)  
Royal Monceau, Paris  
Le Meurice, Paris  
Grand hôtel Palais Royal, Paris  
La Réserve, Paris  
Le Cheval Blanc, Courchevel  
Villa Maïa, Lyon  
Mandarin Oriental, Marrakech  
Royal Mansour, Marrakech  
Intercontinental, Genève  
Hotel Danieli, Venise  
Aman Canal Grande, Venise  
Diaoyutai Hotel, Chine  
Aman Sveti Stefan, Montenegro  
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### LUXURY BRANDS

Boucheron  
Cartier  
Chanel  
Dolce & Gabbana  
Fendi  
Hermès  
Hugo Boss  
Louis Vuitton  
Moncler  
Prada  
Qela  
Rolex  
Van Cleef & Arpels  
...

### PRESTIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

Château de Versailles  
Musée du Louvre  
Fondation Maeght, Saint Paul de Vence - France  
Fondation Wilmotte, Italie  
Musée Horta, Belgique  
Palais de justice historique de Lyon - France  
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Château de Balazuc en Ardèche - France  
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