



ICE

by Sofie Refer

Design: Sofie Refer

Materials: Mouth-blown glass and anodised aluminium, Clear PVC cord

Dimensions: Ø: 140 mm one piece, L: 1750 mm

Colours: Black, Clear, Gold

Light source: Halogen G4 10W bulbs

Lamps included: 9

Design date: 2006

“Ice Chandelier has a simple, timeless look but creates an extraordinary mood in the room at the same time.”
Sofie Refer

The inspiration behind Sofie Refer’s award-winning Ice Chandelier harks back to the dazzling glass and crystal chandeliers of the past. A cluster of scintillating bulbous pendants, it preserves the lavish appeal of that archetypal luminaire. Yet, Ice Chandelier’s asymmetrical configuration and simple, unembellished glass globes bring its aesthetic right up to date.

The armature consists of a circular ceiling plate from which nine pendants hangs. The halogen light sources emit a soft, ambient light. They are encased by hand-blown glass globes, each of which is unique in its character; evidence of the craftsman’s intervention in the manufacturing process. Ice Chandelier can be made to order for the contract market.



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designed Ice

Tradition: Sofie Refer (b. 1974) was born in Denmark, where she currently lives and works. Upon completing her studies in product design at the Danish Design School in 2003, she founded Refer+Staer with fellow product designer Jakob Staer; a collaboration that specialised in the design and production of made-to-measure lighting solutions. Refer feels deeply rooted in the Scandinavian design tradition, and considers its most valuable quality to be respect for nature and the beauty of simplicity.

Innovation: As much as the Scandinavian design heritage serves as a springboard for Refer, she is never shy of challenging it. She is keen to explore elements such as the richness, generosity and extravagance found in nature, alongside the simple and the unadorned. Her work has received numerous international awards; Bulb was acknowledged with the Chicago Athenaeum Good Design Award in 2001, and Ice Chandelier received the Wallpaper Design Award 2006 in the Best Light category, as well as Elle Decoration's award for the World's Best New Design the following year. With Bulb and Mega Bulb, Refer has been in &tradition's stable since the very beginning.

Refer's father was a sculptor who created an award-winning project titled Fredens Bro; a large-scale tunnel with a light display and running water. Refer was aged seven at the time, and small enough to crawl through the model of the work. She describes this immersion in light as a significant experience that set her off on her journey as a lamp designer.