

Case study

An oasis within the never-sleeping city

With Via 57 West, Bjarke Ingels and his firm BIG created a magnificent architectural statement on the Hudson River's Manhattan shore, built upon a philosophy of equal light and balconies for all apartments, and a shared community courtyard.

The building, which won the International Highrise Award in 2016, harnesses both New York's vibrancy and the tranquillity of nature, becoming an oasis within the never-sleeping city. With 20 percent of its residences as affordable housing, Via 57 West represents the democracy, sustainability and love of nature celebrated in Danish apartment buildings.

About d line

d line is a heritage Danish design brand conceiving and hand crafting enduring architectural hardware, sanitary ware and solutions for barrier-free living.

Launched in 1971 with the coordinated line of stainless steel architectural products Knud Holscher created for St Catherine's College Oxford, d line has since collaborated with iconic Danish designers including Arne Jacobsen. The brand's ambition is to be universally known, coveted and admired for the uncompromising endurance of its design, craftsmanship and quality.

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About the Knud Holscher collection

Danish architect and industrial designer Knud Holscher has been part of d line from the beginning, conceiving our first coordinated line of architectural hardware in 1971 as 'modest design that is designed to last'.

Holscher graduated from the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts School of Architecture in 1957, having studied under Arne Jacobsen. Only three years later, he found himself working for his professor on St. Catherine's College, Oxford, and thumbing through stacks of brochures to piece together its finishing touches.

As a result of this frustrating exercise, Holscher came to design a series of award-winning, minimalist architectural hardware for d line, starting with the iconic U and L levers, whose characteristic bend would influence the entire product range.

Having established Knud Holscher Design in Copenhagen in 1995, Holscher has since worked with a team that includes his architect son, Rasmus, and that designs everything from future-proof buildings like Copenhagen's Kastrup Airport, to future-proof hardware for d line.

Holscher has won over 70 awards, including many iF Design Awards that recognise design excellence and date back as far as 1978 and those first lever handles and doorstops for d line.

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Notes to editors

Architect: Bjarke Ingels Group

Location: New York, United States

Year: 2016

Product attributes:

- Designed by Knud Holscher
- 20-year guarantee
- High quality stainless steel AISI 316 (non-corrosive and highly durable)
- Several colours and finishes for different aesthetics, choose between: satin stainless steel , brass, PVD brass, PVD copper, PVD black

Links

- <https://dline.com/collections/knud-holscher/>
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