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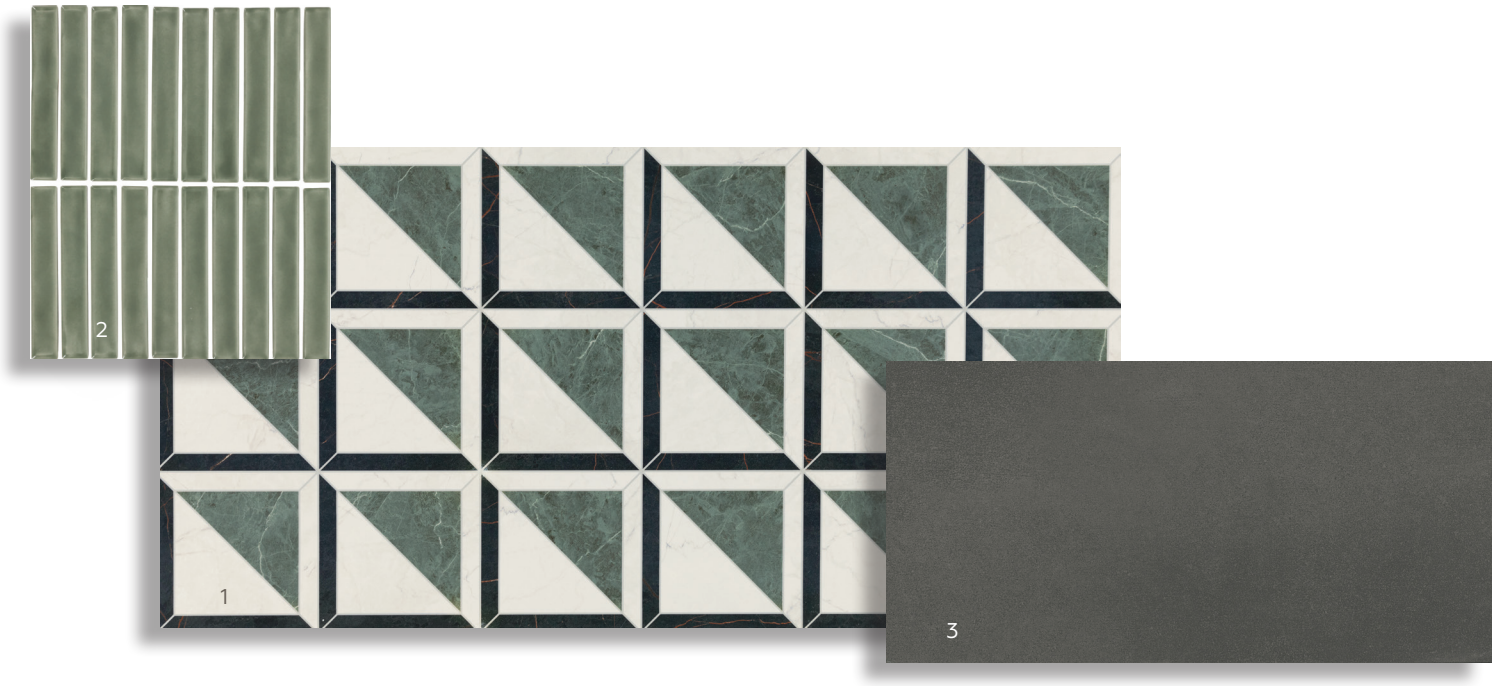
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PRODUCT FEATURE:

1. Sovran™ Triangle SV24 24 x 48
2. Artcrafted™ Aloe AC25 3 x 12
3. Volume 1.0™ Amplify Black VL70 12 x 24



PROJECT NAME:	BUTTERCUP
JOB LOCATION:	Chicago, IL
DESIGN FIRM:	Saint Iris Studio

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BUTTERCUP: TILE THAT DEFINES A CHICAGO CAFÉ'S PERSONALITY

Walk into Buttercup for a morning espresso, and you'd hardly recognize the same space over an evening amaro.

Buttercup is a 40-seat café and cocktail bar in Chicago's SoLo neighborhood. By day, the space runs on espresso and matcha. By night, it shifts into a cocktail destination built around amaro. The concept changes throughout the day, but the design stays constant, anchored by tile choices that give the space a distinct personality that evolves with the mood.

That's when tile became central to bringing the design to life. Daltile® products played a defining role in shaping its character, providing tile for the floor, bathroom walls, and the deliberate details behind the bar.



Photo features Sovran™ SV24 Triangle 24 x 48 on the floor.

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Immediately capturing guests' attention, the floor at Buttercup is naturally attributed to one of the main focal points of the project. Sovran Triangle in a 24 x 48 satin finish creates a bold, patterned surface that catches the eye immediately and becomes a focal point of the entire atmosphere. The marble look tile brings movement and visual interest into the space, setting a playful, personality-filled tone before a guest even orders.

Large-format tile like this does more than cover a surface. At Buttercup, the floor works as a statement tile choice in its own way, establishing the mood of the space and giving it a distinct sense of place within the crowded Chicago dining scene.

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In the bathroom, Artcrafted wall tile in Aloe carries that same approach into a smaller space. The 3 x 12 tile brings a glossy, dimensional finish in a soft green tone, layering color and texture to create a dramatic partnership between the floor tile and wall paint.

Behind the bar, Volume 1.0 tile in Amplify Black takes a quieter role. Its 12 x 24 concrete-inspired texture grounds the space without pulling focus from the design moments around it, reflecting the same attention to detail found throughout the project.

From the floor to the bar, each tile choice at Buttercup shows how tile can carry personality in different applications throughout the same project. Scale and finish can shift from room to room, while the overall design tone stays cohesive.

Buttercup's duality, a bright café by morning and a moody cocktail bar by night, could have meant two competing looks under one roof. Instead, the tile stayed constant, giving both versions of the space clear, recognizable design language.



Photo features Sovran™ SV24 Triangle 24 x 48 on the floor.



Photo features Artcrafted™ AC25 Aloe 3 x 12 Handcrafted glossy on the walls.

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That's the kind of versatility Daltile tile brings to transitional spaces, whether it's a restaurant shifting from lunch to dinner service or a retail space adapting to different uses throughout the day. The right tile doesn't merely decorate a room. It gives a space an identity strong enough to change without losing itself.



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