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My name is Marlène Sandblom Ek and I live in Värmland, in Sweden. In the company Sira form I work with designing patterns. Sira form stands for inspiration and pattern design characterized by budding plant life and grace. The word sira means to adorn and decorate.

I create for example textiles for home furnishing, such as curtains, pillows and tablecloths that I print and sew by hand. The material is mostly pure linen. The printing technique is silk-screen printing. Other examples of products are trays and mats, where the hand-printed textile has been laminated in to the trays.

In addition to this I am bringing out a new product with my pattern "Hildur". It's wall-paper that is digitally printed in small series.

To me nature is a great source of joy, inspiration and recreation and with my patterns I would like to bring that feeling in to our homes and public spheres.

The patterns are classically Swedish and every pattern has its own story. They often have a close local connection.

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To make a tray – a true handicraft!

After I have hand-printed the textile for the trays, I cut it in the right size and make sure that the textile is wrinkle-free and dust-free. Then I send the textiles to the company Formpress in Färjestaden, on Öland, Sweden. There they produce all serving-trays in a traditional manner using birch veneer in several layers, which you can tell from the striped edge. If you instead chose a mat or cutting-board the base will consist of HDF material. The mats and cutting-boards have a melamin-based surface that is resistant to heat and alcohol. The hand-printed textile is placed on top of the tray or mat. A layer of lacquer to protect and give a neat surface finalizes the procedure.

The gathered material is put into a press where it with the help of high temperature and pressure is transformed from a bunch of veneer into a tray. To make the tray comfortable to hold and to increase its durability, the edges are rounded. The edges will then be lacquered to withstand wear and tear like for example dishwashing. The serving-trays in veneer endure machine-wash, however, the mats and cutting-boards don't.



Mat/cheesetray in the patterns Sirlig



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