



THE BAÏDE



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- **CRAFT/PROFESSION**

Marie-Suzanne CORFDIR makes stoneware pottery. Stoneware is a ceramics material known for its strength, durability and resistance to chemicals and weathering.

Marie-Suzanne moulds sandstone on her wheel to remove unwanted material and form the desired shape, then attaches the handles to her design, leaves it to dry and fires it at 980°C for ten hours. After the first firing, she leaves the piece to cool for thirty hours.

She then uses a sprinkling technique to apply colours and a glaze, filling a ladle with coloured glaze and sprinkling it on gradually to give the piece its vibrant finish.

She then fires the piece one last time for thirteen hours at a temperature of 1235°C and leaves it to cool for 48 hours.

- **BACKGROUND**

Marie-Suzanne is self-taught. Pottery is her passion; she loves making things that are useful and she loves the close contact with her raw material, kneading and shaping it to form her design, choosing the colour and feeling a sense of wonder when she opens the kiln and sees the finished object.

- **INSPIRATION AND ART/DESIGNS**

Marie-Suzanne mainly designs teapots, strainers, cups and mugs.