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There are many markets where ceramics are available. Elephant Road is very famous for its range of ceramics distributor shops. Banani Bazaar and Gulshan1 D.C.C Market have a small but very effective range of ceramics on display; one can get a complete 32 piece set at the minimum price of Tk3500 at these places. Mohammadpur, Townhall Bazaar and Karwan Bazaar also have innumerable ceramics shops that can help anyone assort a fine collection. All ceramics manufacturers have their personal signature outlets in various parts of the capital. The addresses of their factory outlets and signature outlets are available online.

Aarong, Jatra, Kumudini, etc. have an attractive collection of ceramics especially with locally popular prints. Anybody looking to extend their personal collection or give gifts to their loved ones can visit these stores for stunning pieces.

Just an additional piece of information to remember is that most of the 'Signature Outlets' will not sell directly to the customers. One must go there to select the designs first and then place an order; the delivery will be within a week's time. The factory outlets will have wholesale prices for purchase in bulk and the small shops, the retailers, will keep their margin but will have an array of designs for direct sales. To serious collectors these designs may seem universal and

ordinary but to most of us they are perfectly fine and extremely beautiful and worthy. Hence, if you are a collector the general suggestion is to visit a signature shop of the brand of your preference.

Some may say what's the use of owning high-end dinnerware when you are not going to regularly use it? Contrary to popular belief expensive dinnerware can be used every day. When fashion and ceramics go hand in hand, fun with friends and family is sure to follow.

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