

Etoile Group

Ingie Chalhoub, Founder & President of Etoile Group

One of the Middle East's foremost style icons, Ingie Chalhoub is known for being a successful businesswoman a philanthropist and a Creative Director. She is also a fashion innovator who is constantly pushing the boundaries of high-end luxury fashion and has done so since the creation of Etoile Group when she opened her first ever Chanel boutique in the Gulf in 1983.

Since its inception almost forty years ago, Etoile Group has grown to become one of the highest profile names across the Middle East retail market. Fulfilling her vision to transform the luxury fashion sphere in the Middle East, Ingie has built a strong presence across the UAE, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Bahrain and Lebanon. Specializing in bringing luxury brands to the Middle East, Etoile Group operates many different pillars in partnership with Chanel, Ralph Lauren, Valentino, TOD's, Etro, Aquazzura and Yamamay to name but a few, as well as the group's own multi-brand store "Etoile La Boutique" spread across the region. Reinforcing omnichannels, the group launched "Etoile La Boutique" online store in 2020.

The accolades have followed from global media, with Ingie's business and style acumen praised, deeming her 'L'Officiel Woman Of The Year', Emirates Woman's 'Woman of the Year', 'ELLE Business Woman of the Year', and more. In February 2018, Ingie Chalhoub was knighted with the prestigious 'Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur' from France, an extraordinary achievement for her many years of dedication and her firm commitment to the diffusion of French luxury in both France and throughout the Middle East. More recently in 2022, she was awarded for her 'Fashion Lifetime Achievements' at the Emi Gala Ceremony and recognized for her support in promoting sustainable brands by the President of Monaco Fashion Week.

Ingie remains prominently ranked by CEO Middle East, Arabian Business and Forbes 100 in their lists for the Most Powerful Arab Women in the world to date.

Ingie is also involved in many humanitarian activities actively supporting research in breast cancer as an ambassador for the Pink Caravan organisation and the 10KSA project. She also supports Dubai Cares and actively contributes to their charity programmes across the Group.

Ingie is a founding member of the UNICEF Leadership Circle, Gulf Region, She is a huge supporter of philanthropic work and known for her love for giving back to the community. Ingie continues to drive the Etoile Group forward with international expansion, deeper regional roots, and with a clear vision: to be the foremost Middle East leader in luxury retail and creativity.