

# SIDE GALLERY

OSVALDO BORSANI (1911-1985)



## Sofa model "D-70"

Manufactured by Tecno  
Varedo (Italy), 1950s

Upholstery, lacquered metal, brass  
details

## Measurements

194 cm x 89 cm x 79h cm  
76,5 in x 35 in x 31h in

## Literature

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## Details

Signed with decal manufacturer's label to frame

## Awards

Gold medal at the 10th Milan Triennale in 1954

## Biography

The Italian designer founded with his twin brother the company "Tecno" in 1953, a furniture company focused on engineering and innovative design solutions. While initially the company only produced Osvaldo's designs, Tecno would go on to produce the work of other designers including Vico Magistretti, Roberto Mango, Carlo de Carli, Gio Ponti, Mario Bellini, Robin Day and Eugenio Gerli. Early pieces by Tecno can be found in the permanent collections of the MoMA, New York, the V&A, London, the Pompidou Centre, Paris and the Neue Sammlung, Munich.