

# SIDE GALLERY

## PERCIVAL LAFER (1936-)



### Sofa model "MP-81"

Manufactured by Lafer S.A. Ind. Com.  
Brazil, 1972  
Leather, jacaranda

### Measurements

210,8 cm x 87,6 cm x 86,4h cm (40,6 cm seat height)  
83 in x 34,5 in x 34h in (16 in seat height)

### Provenance

Private Collection, Sao Paulo

### Biography

Percival Lafer is a Brazilian designer pioneer of the Modernist movement. He is most famous for his chair and sofa designs, which combine low-profile hardwood structures with plush leather upholstery. "I've always been drawn to the motion features of furniture," he's said. "The engineering and design work that goes into its mechanisms is fascinating and fulfilling." Born on April 12, 1936 in Brazil, he studied at the Mackenzie Presbyterian University College of Architecture in São Paulo. After graduating, his father passed away and he and his brothers took over LAFER, his father's furniture company. The designer currently lives and works in Campos do Jordão, Brazil.