

# SIDE GALLERY

OSCAR NIEMEYER (1907-2012)



## Lounge chair model "Alta"

Created in collaboration with Anna Maria Niemeyer  
Manufactured by Tendo Brasileira  
First year production  
Brazil, 1971  
Black plywood, steel, leather upholstery

## Measurements

56,5 cm x 68,6 cm x 104,1h cm  
22,2 in x 27 in x 41h in

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## Provenance

Private collection, Sao Paulo

## Fairs

Exhibited at Design Miami/Basel, Jun 11 2018 - Jun  
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## Biography

Oscar Niemeyer was a Brazilian architect who is considered to be one of the key figures in the development of modern architecture. His exceptional architectural work has been unanimously hailed, and his influence on how the world looks like today has been reminded. In 1960's Oscar Niemeyer started developing furniture projects, in collaboration with his daughter Ana Maria. The first piece designed by the team was "the Alta easy chair" and its footrest, but the most famous piece designed by Oscar and Ana is the "Rio Chaise Longue" probably one of the most important design pieces of the 20th century. Developed in 1977.

Niemeyer passed away a week before his 105th birthday and Ana Maria dies in 2012, a few months before his father.