SIDE GALLERY

PERCIVAL LAFER (1936-)



Pair of lounge chairs Brazil, 1970s

Fiberglass, rosewood, leather upholstery

Measurements

89 cm x 86 cm x 94h cm 35 in x 34 in x 37h in

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.