

# SIDE GALLERY

GONZALO CORDOBA



## Lounge Chairs model "Cuban Guama"

Manufactured by Dujo  
Industria del Mueble  
Cuba, 1950s  
Wood

### Measurements

70 cm x 68 cm x 74h cm  
27,5 in x 26,7 in x 29,1 in

### Detail

Rare pair of Guama easy chairs, designed in the late 1950s by Gonzalo Córdoba and manufactured by Dujo in Cuba.

This piece is attributed to the above-mentioned designer/maker. It has no attribution mark

## Biography

Gonzalo Córdoba and María Victoria Caignet have become known as rare figures in Cuban history. They worked as designers with enthusiasm and passion. They are favored for their rigorous exploration of existing local materials from their homeland, Cuba. The duo produced industrial design following climate conditions, economic rationality, a sense of beauty, and the expression of a set of values important to his country. Their work encompassed more than 6,000 designs produced by companies such as the Ariguanabo textile company and the Combinado del Vidrio. They also included countless small workshops for which they insisted that all materials should be national: woods, textiles, leather, fiber fabrics, marble, metal. The pair worked together continuously from 1959 in various Cuban companies, beginning with the Interior and Furniture Design Workshop of the Tourism Projects Commission, the Central Planning Board, and the Various Productions Company (EMPROVA). For these national efforts, they were awarded the National Design Award in its first edition, presented by the National Design Office for the work of a lifetime.