SIDE GALLERY

JONAS LUTZ



Table #1.

Manufactured by Jonas Lutz. Exclusively for SIDE. Netherlands, 2023. Natural Elm wood.

Measurements 62 x 30 x 40h cm 24,4 x 11,8 x 15,7h in

Provenance Rotterdam, Netherlands.

Exhibitions Casavells 2023.

Concept

For the past five years Jonas Lutz has been creating wooden furniture objects for the fashion industry using whole logs of fresh Elm wood. During this phase the designer saved larger off-cuts and leftover wood from the production, and it is this material that has been the starting point for his new collection.

Using the raw pieces of wood as building blocks to create objects, the Finnish-born designer stacked and composed the pieces before shaping them with a chainsaw and sander. This process allows Lutz to preserve a sense of playfulness in his work which he constantly seeks.

Biography

Finnish-born designer Jonas Lutz creates objects of bold simplicity and elegant solutions, often with a tacit playfulness. His objects instantly reveal a continuous search for the novel and undiscovered. Simplicity of form is well balanced with a gentleness that invites a desire to touch. Lutz's furniture has always been of modest form, projecting a deep comprehension of his materials, and an elevation of their qualities.

The designer finds inspiration in Nordic furniture traditions as well as in the lively design culture of his adopted country of the Netherlands. Fuelled by an upbringing in a creative milieu his instinct and sensibility to materials intimates that of a sculptor's act. This act is much replicated in the way he gives himself design briefs triggering investigations of materials and concepts, often inspired by objects of use in his home.

Lutz works with manufacturers *E15, Form & Refine, La Chance* and fashion label *Isabel Marant.* His studio is located in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, and he studied at the *Carl Malmsten furniture school* in Stockholm, Sweden, and has a bachelor in design from the *Design Academy* in Eindhoven, the Netherlands.