

SIDE GALLERY

OSVALDO BORSANI



Pair of Side Tables Model "T1".

Manufactured by Tecno.
Italy, 1949
Steel, Glass.

Measurements

26 x 45h cm
10,2 x 17,7h in

Literature

G. Bosoni, *Osvaldo Borsani. Architetto, designer, imprenditore*, Skira 2018.

G. Bosoni, *Tecno. L'eleganza discreta della tecnica*, Skira, 2011.

Biography

Osvaldo Borsani (b.1911, Varedo, Italy–d.1985, Milano, Italy) was an Italian designer and architect. Osvaldo Borsani was born into a family of artisan furniture makers. His father, Gaetano Borsani, owned a furniture shop, the *Atelier di Varedo*, where the 16-year-old Osvaldo first started to train. At the time, a designer working at the atelier was the architect **Gino Maggioni**, who influenced the early 20th century *Jugendstil* movement from Vienna and instilled in the young Borsani an appreciation for the arts and crafts and furniture making.

Osvaldo Borsani studied Fine Arts at the *Accademia di Belle Arti di Brera in Milan*, graduating in 1931, he then studied *Architecture at Politecnico di Milano*, where he graduated in 1936. In 1933, two years before graduating as an architect, Borsani designed the *Casa Minima* project for the *V Triennale di Milano* (Milan Triennial), collaborating with **Cairolì** and **Varisco's** architects. This project earned him a silver medal for its Rationalist code and geometries, and he received positive reviews from the critic Edoardo Persico of *Casabella* magazine.