

# SIDE GALLERY

TOGO MURANO



## Table Lamp, Model "No. S7391"

Manufactured by Togo Murano  
Japan, 1980s  
Lacquered metal

### Measurements (each)

29,8 cm diameter x 43,8h cm  
11,8 in diameter x 17,3h in

### Provenance

Miyako Hotel, Kyoto by Togo Murano

## About

These table lamps, designed by Togo Murano around 1980, exemplify the architect's exploration of clean, elegant forms and his mastery of materiality. Constructed from brown lacquered metal with parchment shades, the lamps balance simplicity, functionality, and a sense of refined presence suitable for both residential and professional interiors.

## Biography

**Togo Murano** (1891–1984) was a Japanese architect and designer renowned for blending traditional Japanese aesthetics with modernist principles. Born in Kobe, Japan, Murano studied architecture in Tokyo and began his career during a period of rapid modernization. Over his long career, he designed over 200 buildings, ranging from private residences to large-scale hotels and cultural institutions, often integrating subtle decorative elements and a sensitivity to materials.

Murano also explored interior elements and furniture, including lighting, where he applied his architectural understanding of space, proportion, and light. His lamps, such as the "No. S7391," reflect his ability to merge traditional Japanese craftsmanship—such as lacquer work and parchment—with modernist geometry, resulting in pieces that are both functional and sculpturally elegant. His work remains highly influential in the study of 20th-century Japanese design, celebrated for harmonizing simplicity, innovation, and cultural continuity.