

SIDE GALLERY

ISAMU KENMOCHI



Desk

Manufactured by Tendo Mokko
Japan, circa 1970s
Wood, Metal

Measurements

200 × 80 × 74h cm
78,7 × 31,5 × 29,1h in

Provenance

Private collection, Japan

About

The Tendo Mokko Executive Desk, attributed to **Isamu Kenmochi**, reflects the principles of Japanese modernism through its restrained geometry, functional organization and refined materials. Its elongated work surface is supported by two suspended wooden drawer units, each containing three drawers, while metal supports introduce a contrasting industrial element. The combination of warm wood, dark edging and metallic details balances natural materials with structural precision. Manufactured by Tendo Mokko, the desk exemplifies the integration of practical functionality and architectural clarity in modern Japanese furniture design..

Biography

Designed by **Isamu Kenmochi**, this rare circular desk reflects his exploration of furniture as an integral part of modern architectural and working environments. Its ring-shaped wooden top surrounds an open central core, supported by a cylindrical inner structure and slender chromed-metal legs. The contrast between warm wood and polished metal balances material refinement with functional clarity, while the unusual circular configuration gives the desk a distinctive architectural character. The design reflects Kenmochi's postwar approach to modern furniture, combining rational construction, contemporary materials and a sensitivity to proportion and spatial experience.