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Kjaerholm Style: PK91 Folding Stool

Inspired By: Poul Kjaerholm PK91 Folding Stool











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Premium Leather Choices:

Distressed Leather Choices:

Product Category: Footstools

Designer: Poul Kjaerholm

Product Group: kjaerholm seating

Modernism Style: Scandinavian Modern

DESCRIPTION

The PK91 Folding Stool was designed by Kjaerholm in 1961 and incorporated flat spring steel bars and canvas or leather for the seat. The long sides of the frames formed the legs of the stool and were twisted like propellers for increased strength. In a traditional folding stool of the time, the legs were located on either side of the seat to minimize the distance spanned by the wood struts. But by twisting the legs, Kjaerholm's stool could span a wider distance and thus, he rotated the structure 90 degrees so that crossed legs formed the front and the back of the stool.

Another innovation of this PK91 folding stool was the way it folded flat. In a typical stool, the identical frames are nested one inside the other, which causes them to be offset when the stool was folded. Kjaerholm wanted his stool to appear consistent from both sides, folded or unfolded. The PK91 achieves this because of two design features: First, the points of contact between two frames consists of ball bearings flush joints. Second, the frames are mirrored parallelograms with corners of 88 and 92 degrees. The proportion of the seat conceals this distortion and creates the appearance of the identical, nested frames.

Our PK91 inspired Folding Stool incorporates all of the elements described above. In addition, we use 12mm satinbrushed 304 stainless steel for the frame with a 3mm corner radius. The seat is made with 2mm thick cowhide belting, covered with your choice of black, dark brown or white leather.

Dimensions (inches):

Overall: 22.5w x 17.8d x 18h Seat Interior: 21w x 15d Seat Height: 18h Weight: 18lbs

LEATHER CHOICES

Modern Classics Furniture offers two levels of premium Top-Grain Italian Leathers for this product (Smooth and Distressed). Our **Smooth leathers** are top-grain, aniline-dyed, have a soft feel to them and retains the hides natural

grain patterns. Our **Distressed Leathers** (denoted with the prefix L5) are also top-grain, aniline-dyed but have a distressed look to them. L5 leathers will show rubbings and have a more waxy feel. All our leathers are considered equally durable and are ideal for home or commercial use. To read more about leather, read our A Guide to Understanding Upholstery Leather: A Primer.

Each of the these groupings feature:

- Top-grain Italian leather from Grade A hides
- Semi aniline-dyed
- Made at Italian tanneries and sent to our factory
- Have a UV and Moisture Guard built into the non-toxic vegetable dyes
- Are not split hides or bonded leather

We are happy to mail you a physical piece of leather so you can hold it in your hands.

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Premium Leathers (Top Grain-Smooth)



Distressed Leathers (Top Grain-Waxy)



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