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Sandstrom coffee table | 1950

£1,650

DESCRIPTION

Coffee table by Yngvar Sandstrom for Nordiska Kompaniet.

The innovative construction of the Sandstrom tabletop creates a striking decorative surface and dynamic short-edge profile. Using solid teak and beech the routed two-tone woods are glue-laminated across a deep width to create a structurally sound, unreinforced surface. Laminating wood strips are generally limited to much narrower widths or shallow depths in the case of plywood. The design is adventurous and extremely time-consuming to produce at such a scale. At the time the table would have been avant-garde and exclusive.

Yngvar Sandstrom was commissioned by Sweden's most eminent and progressive retailer to create the design for their own collection. Sandstrom designed for a range of Swedish companies, and in partnership with Alf Svensson created the Galaxy lounge chair for Dux in the late 1960s Nordiska Kompaniet was established in Stockholm in early 1920 and soon became recognised as one of Europe's leading luxury retailers. In the 1930's the creative director for furniture Axel Einer Hjorth showcased the brand at World Fairs in Barcelona, Chicago and Stockholm to great international praise. During the 1950's the designer Lena Larsson created the NK Living label, which would embrace the Yngvar Sandstrom table, again to be recognised as world-leading.

Their own productions petered out during the 1970s and Nordiska moved from their Stockholm premises. They continue today as high-quality department stores in Gothenburg and Hamngatan.

DIMENSIONS

MATERIALS

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