



# Herman Miller

Modern Classics





*The elegance and comfort of these chairs designed by Charles Eames will outlast even the 9 lives of our friend on the ottoman. . . . send 25c to Herman Miller in Zeeland, Michigan for a brochure of suggested room settings or, better yet, see this furniture at any one of the dealers listed. ARIZONA Phoenix, Warner's Furniture—CALIFORNIA Berkeley, Fraser's; La Jolla, Dean Marshall Interiors; Long Beach, Frank Brothers; Los Angeles, Evans Furniture, Leslie's; Oakland, Jackson's; Palo Alto, House of Today; Pasadena, Lowe's; Sacramento, John Breuner; San Diego, Design Center; San Francisco, Jackson's; Santa Barbara, Henry Levy; Santa Rosa, Sanford Co.; Vacaville, Nut Tree—OREGON Beaverton, Siebert's for Modern; Eugene, Rubenstein; Portland, Edwards—UTAH Salt Lake City, Clark Leaming—WASHINGTON Seattle, Del Teet Furniture; Spokane, John W. Graham; Tacoma, Glasgow Furniture—HAWAII Honolulu, Theo H. Davies. If your home town is not listed here, write for the name of the nearest dealer: Dept. L595 Herman Miller Furniture Co., Zeeland, Mich.*

## Ever wondered how something becomes a classic?

*We have, and we'd like to share our thoughts with you.*

We believe furniture becomes classic when it demonstrates a lasting appeal, an original personality, and a simple, innovative beauty and function. Classics are living proof that good things endure; they have a way of evoking a particular time and making time irrelevant. Committees and corporations don't design classics. Individuals like Charles Eames and George Nelson and Isamu Noguchi do. Their view of modern design lies at the heart of Herman Miller's collection of modern classics.



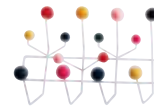
Eames® Storage Unit



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A 1945 *Life* magazine article pictured one of George Nelson's early designs—the Storagewall. Herman Miller founder D.J. De Pree saw the article and journeyed to New York to convince Nelson to serve as the company's director of design. The warm personal and professional relationship between Nelson and De Pree yielded a stunning range of products, including the platform bench.

Introduced in 1946 as part of Nelson's first collection for Herman Miller, it possesses clean, rectilinear lines that have made it a landmark of modern design.



Eames Executive Chair



Eames Molded Plastic Side Chair



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Eames Molded Plywood Coffee Table



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Nelson Platform Bench



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George Nelson—designer, teacher, author—wasn't the kind of person to sit still very long. That's reflected in his 1956 design statement for the Coconut chair, where he wrote that it “was developed to give lounge seating comfort together with great freedom of movement. Many positions are possible in this chair with a maximum of comfort in every case.”

A chair designed to look like the fragment of a coconut shell wasn't a stretch for someone who said, “Total design is nothing more or less than a process of relating everything to everything.”



Nelson Swag Leg Chair



Nelson Coconut Chair



Eames Aluminum Group Executive Chair



Capelli Stool



Eames Soft Pad Lounge Chair and Ottoman



Eames Round Table



Eames Molded Plywood Lounge Chair



Eames Soft Pad Side Chair



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This device was their version of a curing oven. It let them create their own plywood and give it shape by using a bicycle pump to inflate a rubber membrane that pushed glued plies of wood against a curved, electrically heated plaster mold. The humble machine eventually allowed the Eameses to manufacture their molded plywood chair, named the Best Design of the 20th Century by *Time* magazine.



Eames Aluminum Group Management Chair



Eames Desk Unit



Eames Molded Plywood Lounge Chair



Eames Molded Plastic Armchair with Rocker Base



Nelson Miniature Chest



Eames Molded Plywood Lounge Chair



Eames Sofa



Eames Elliptical Table



Eames Molded Plastic Side Chair

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Have you ever wondered why beds always have to look like Lenin's tomb on casters? If you have, George Nelson's elegant, super-comfortable design is for you. Ideal for the bedroom that has to double as a sitting room. Tailored slipcovers are available too.



There are probably more forgeries of sculptor Isamu Noguchi's famous coffee table than any other furniture design in existence. The original is still good and we still make it.

A ring and a book (\$5.00 for the complete catalog) are all you need to start furnishing with Herman Miller. If you lack a decorator, architect or dealer, call our nearest showroom for the names of dealers in your area.



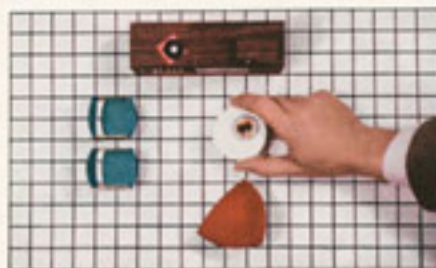
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The Suspended Vanity is the thing that converts your bedroom storage from functional to luxurious. Available in two case lines, shown here in natural rosewood. Write us for further information.



We like to think that the lazy Susan table is the most elegant medium-size table anywhere, particularly in the all-white version. Four-foot diameter, plastic top, cast aluminum base, seats four generously and will take up to six. George Nelson's design. The upholstered wire chairs are by Charles Eames.



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For a startling conversation piece that is also a joy to sit on, the "Marshmallow" sofa (OK, you name it!) represents a completely new and radical concept in upholstered furniture. On view at all our showrooms and selected dealers.

For Isamu Noguchi, there was no line between art and furniture. Noguchi was a sculptor by vocation, a world citizen who lived in Paris, Japan, England, China, and New York City. His 1947 table design for Herman Miller, with its three-quarter-inch-thick plate-glass top, is a triumph—a balance of sculptured form and everyday function.

It's little wonder that Noguchi's table evokes the grace and strength of a dancer: From 1942 until his death in 1988 he designed all of choreographer Martha Graham's sets.



Eames Molded Plywood Dining Chair



Nelson Marshmallow Sofa



Eames Aluminum Group Management Chair



Eames Soft Pad Executive Chair



Noguchi Table



Nelson End Table



Nelson Swag Leg Work Table



Eames Wire Chair



Eames Molded Plastic Armchair

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Even if you don't have two o'clock feeding at your house, we think you will appreciate the deep comfort of this rosewood and leather lounge chair designed by Charles Eames for Herman Miller.

The Eames lounge chair's development dates from 1940, when Charles Eames and Eero Saarinen submitted a prototype to the Museum of Modern Art's "Organic Design in Home Furnishings" competition in New York City. Thirty-three years later, MoMA would make the chair part of its permanent collection.

The intervening years saw the lounge chair's introduction in 1956 on the "Today Show" and its transformation into a modern design icon, a lofty achievement for a chair that Charles hoped would simply have the "warm receptive look of a well-used first baseman's mitt."



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**True originals are rare.**

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*We're happy to present these modern classics to you.*

Who would say that pleasure is not useful?

—Charles Eames

The single common element in all man-made things is that they are designed.

—George Nelson

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