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**JOE COLOMBO**  
early Universale chair

Kartell | Italy, 1965 | ABS plastic  
28 h x 17 w x 18 d in (71 x 43 x 46 cm)

The present lot is the first version of the Universale chair introduced in 1965 in the harder ABS plastic. The material proved brittle and was prone to cracks. Later versions from 1968 on used a more pliable plastic and the design was altered to have a more bulky outline on the sides. Molded factory marks. Literature: Design Since 1945, Philadelphia Museum of Art, pg. 123

**Estimate: \$900–1,200**

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