

# MODERN DESIGN



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## SANTIAGO CALATRAVA

### Tabouretli Theatre chairs, set of four

De Sede | Spain/Switzerland, 1986 | enameled steel, upholstery  
29 h x 17¼ w x 19 d in (74 x 45 x 48 cm)

Calatrava redesigned the Tabouretli Theatre in Basel, Switzerland in 1986. The theatre is widely documented and presents an early commission by the architect in which he designed all aspects of the Medieval building's interior renovation. Although not well known for furniture design, Calatrava designed these chairs to mirror the structure of the ceiling, stairway and light fixtures, bringing a cohesion to the project. His virtuosity as a structural designer is clear in the form of the chair's base, where one piece of steel is bent and folded to create a solid structure.

**Estimate:** \$3,000–4,000

**Result:** \$5,015

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