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Butterfly stool

Tendo | Japan, 1956 | rosewood plywood, brass
15 h × 17 w × 12 d in (38 × 43 × 30 cm)

Sori Yanagi's Butterfly stool combines the disparate traditions of Eastern philosophy and aesthetics with Western modernism. Rather than drawing on Japanese furniture traditions, the stool's form suggests a reductive interpretation of a Japanese kimono. Literature: ODesign Since 1945, Philadelphia Museum of Art, pg. 137

Estimate: \$2,000–3,000

Result: \$3,500

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