Canton

Franco Raggi 1988

The Canton wooden bench, designed by Franco Raggi in 1988, fitted out with two spaces on the sides—containers for magazines, books and phone directories, still in use at the time—ideally designed for home entrances, «was born, —Franco Raggi writes—, from a graphic exercise: a black line which in its continuous path creates two squares connected by a horizontal line.

Dragging this line into the third dimension, I realised that the solid thus obtained could be a bench, not a comfortable seat, but for temporary use, where ergonomics could be sacrifice in favour of an abstract, almost neoplastic image. Books and things could be put in the squares transformed into open compartments.»

typology bench

dimension 170[I] x 45[w] x 75[h] cm

materials beech wood with melamine edge and water painting

colours beech and black



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