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Marcel Breuer 1928
Marcel Breuer merged traditional craftsmanship with industrial methods and materials to help make tubular steel furniture an international sensation and a modern institution. The cantilevered frame supplies the possibilities unique to the material and gives the chair added flexibility and comfort. The cross seat features hand-woven cane inserts and a beech frame.

Frame: Hardwood Beech

Retail Price: \$1659
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Quantity: 1 **ADD TO CART**

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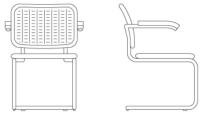


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Details

- CONSTRUCTION AND DETAILS**
- Seat frame is one piece with either a clear natural lacquer or matte alcohol finish
 - Cane back and backrest
 - Frame is 1" diameter chrome-plated round steel tube with a polished finish
 - Plastic glue strip on base to prevent noise
 - The KnollStubs logo and signature of Marcel Breuer are stamped into the base of the chair

Dimensions



	w	d	h	seat h	arm h
60x7 Arm Chair with Cane Seat	23.5"	23.5"	31.5"	17.75"	21"

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Product Story

Designer



"At that time I was rather idealistic. 23 years old I made friends with a young architect, and I bought my first bicycle. I wanted to ride the bicycle and talked to the young fellow and said to him that this bicycle seems to be a perfect production because it hasn't changed in the last twenty, thirty years. It is still the original bicycle. He said, 'Did you ever see how they make these parts? How they bend these handles?' You would be interested because they bend these steel tubes like measures." This sentence remained in my mind, and I started to think about steel tubes which are bent into frames—probably that is the material you could use for an elastic and transparent chair. Typically, I was very much engaged with the transparency of the form. That is how the first chair was made... I realized that the bending had to go further. It should only be done with no points of welding on it so it could also be shown in parts and put together. That is how the first Weisely was born.

After completing the Weisely, Breuer felt that the potential grace of the material was not yet fully exploited. The Weisely design was very much influenced by the construction theories of the Dutch De Stijl movement. A radical force — in this case the inimitable chair — returned to its elemental lines and planes. The result was an overhanging, slanted arrangement of handle and tubing. For the Cesca chair Breuer sought to better celebrate the new material. An attempt to reduce steel mass factors to the continuous line of steel supporting a cantilevered seat — one of the most radical concepts in 20th century furniture.

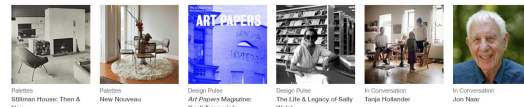
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