Furniture in Wood & Wood/Metal Mix by David Orth



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Testimonials & Reviews

"... an articulate, loving sense of craftsmanship drawn from the past ... sustained conceptually by...humor and personal vision ... highly sensual ... finely tuned ... consistent ... truly 'art furniture.'"

- The New Art Examiner

"Orth's art is amazing...overwhelming...the primal versus the ethereal. Rock and roll...the blues...arias." - James A. Mangum, author of the Dos Cruces Trilogy

"fabulous ... mess-with-your-mind appeal" - Sandy Hill, Studio Hill Design, Albuquerque

"My clients are very impressed with the originality, timelessness and quality of David's art. His work is uniquely his own style and works so well in any environment. I am easily able to communicate with him as to my clients' needs and he never fails to deliver a design that is beautiful, appropriate, and on time."

- Lois B. Gries ASID, Past President, ASID Illinois

"Professionalism is the operative word in working with David Orth. His follow through and timeliness are admirable. As an interior designer, I appreciate the artistic integrity with which David adapts his designs to specific sites." - Marilynn Davis, ASID - IIDA Highland Park, IL

"... really occupies that space between 'what is furniture?' and 'what is art?' Really very, very beautiful work."
- Victoria Lautman reporting for Chicago Public Radio

"Good work." - Walter A. Netsch, American architect

"Serious design." - Ruth Duckworth, American sculptor

"Holy Cow." - Kerry Aufderheide, Blue Table Studio, Denver

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portfolio #2 Furniture in Wood and Wood-Metal Mix

Longtime Chicago sculptor DAVID ORTH now designs and custom crafts sculpture, furniture, and other objects in his rural woodworking and metalworking studio in northwest Arkansas. His 30 years of critically acclaimed work is scattered across the country in public and private places. His ideas morph freely into functional and nonfunctional projects. The resulting work juxtaposes handcraft and industrial process, unfolding into a world of strange beauty and intellectual challenge.

Inquiry about stock or custom design is welcome.











Side Cabinet - #5909 Materials Shown: Bird's-Eye-Maple & Walnut Size Shown: 76W x 36H x 20D

First commsioned as a music cabinet with several visible niches for family heirlooms. Note random shape of doors and drawers.

Tall Cabinet - #7008 Material Shown: Cherry

Size Shown: 24W x 68H x 12D







Coffee Table - #5910 Materials Shown: Blued steel & bleached oak. 46W x 15H x 30D

> Heavy steel plate. Folded & spiraled. Oak beams.



Raw oxidized steel Size Shown: 48Diameter x 15H

Coffee table incorporating heavy steel bowl. Dining table version & other sizes available.







Materials bottom: Walnut & stainless

steel

Size: various





Coffee Table - #7007 Materials Shown: Moabi & Cast Aluminum



Saturn Coffee Table - #5914 Materials Shown: Curly Maple, Walnut, & Steel Size Shown: 48Diameter x 15H





Dining Table - #7313 Materials: Oxidized steel & bleached oak. Size Shown: 60W x 30H x 60D

Large steel bowl in the form of an inverted pyramid.
Suggestion of an archeological age.
Heavy, finely-tuned oak structure supports steel and 3/4"
plate glass top. Custom sizes and finishes available.



"Not only is the universe stranger than we think, it is stranger than we CAN think."

- Werner Heisenberg



Wall Cabinet - #7314
Materials Shown: Blued steel & bleached oak.
Size Shown: 81W x 103H x 16D

A soaring, jazz-inspired cabinet composed of three clustered & interpenetrating forms. Raised finger pull details with gold leaf.





Curiosity Cabinet - #7308 Materials: Cherry with copper drawers & brass pulls

Size Shown: 61W x 40H x 18D

A cabinet for the collector inspired by 19th Century paleontological displays and oddity collections. All trays are interchangeable and lined with crushed velvet. The top four trays are visibly displayed under beveled glass.







Occasional Tables - #5805 & #5924
Materials Shown: Cherry, Australian Lacewood & Blued Steel
Size Shown: various

These related designs are respectively a coffee table (above 5805) and a corner table/lamp table (on the right 5924).

The continuous shape begins at the floor arcs up, sweeps generously around the top, and finally returns to the ground.





Boomerang Table # 7316 Mid-century free form tables make me happy.

They can be generous without impeding traffic patterns or overwhelming a room. Innovations here are the use of glass with a floating wood surface for a book or art object. The form is readily customized to fit any space. Shown here with quilted maple & steel.





Atlantis Chairs - #5809

Materials Shown: Cherry & Ribbed

Upholstery

Size Shown: 18W x 38x 21.5D

This chair was designed to go with the Atlantis Tables. It is the end result of many earlier experiments and versions. Comfortable, strong, and flowing.





Sylvan Series Table - #5903 Materials Shown: Weathered Oak, Zinc, & Steel Size Shown: 72W x 36H x 13D

Raw, slightly assymetrical, smooth to the touch.





Arch Table - #5812 Dyed bird's-eye-maple with pink marble detail Size Shown: 44W x 32H x 13D

Little Arch Table - #5905

Materials Shown: Moabi with marble detail

Size Shown: 24W x 32H x 11D





Einstein's Table - #5922 Materials Shown: Steel

Seamless coffee table design appears to be formed from one piece of steel plate - a warped, singularity.



Coffee Table - #5906 Materials Shown: Maple Size Shown: 48W x 12H x 48D

4" thick table top. Hand-carved crack details.



Sunyata Table - #5920

Materials Shown: Figured Maple &

Steel

Size shown: 41W x 30H x 22D









Cabinet - #7352 Materials Shown: Walnut & Brass

Random door and panel patterns spice up a classic. Note the beveled panels of aged brass.

Custom sizes, materials, and finishes available.



Shelves/Room Divider - #7703 Materials Shown: Walnut

Size Shown: 29.5W x 55H x 10D



Pedestal/Room Divider - #5917 Materials Shown: Pomelle Sapele &

Steel

Size: to order





An unusually large slab of walnut - primal and rare. Its sheer geometric expanse is softened with taut nautical curves.

A contrasting bronze base, reflects & supports the top while establishing its own commensurate force and point of view.

Random, handcarved details suggest abstracted raindrops, fingerprints, and other fractal patterns.



Size: 140W x 33H x 18W



Atlantis Table (Wood Top) - #5908 Materials Shown: Cherry & Ebonized Mahogany Interior by Gail Prauss



Atlantis Table (Glass Top) - #5937 Materials Shown: Oak & Black Lacquer

Size: Various

The glass top Atlantis Table sports intriging structural balance and visual illusion. Glass top cantilevers out over the legs, supported solidly at the center of each arch.



The Atlantis Tables are distinguished by the deconstructed leg to table top connections giving a sense of floating. Works also as a side table.

Patinas



Bronzed Steel



Gun Metal Steel



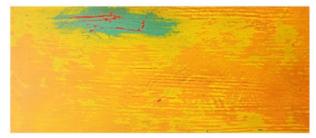
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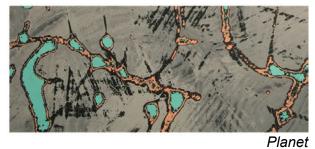
Feathered Steel

Steel Finish Ideas

Enamels



Sunburst





Hammered Finish







Addendum #1
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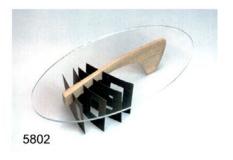














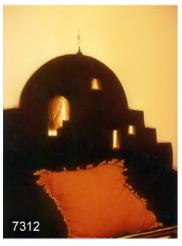




















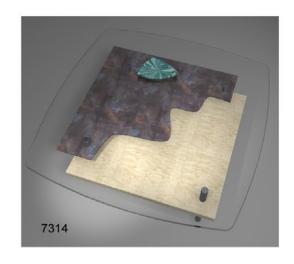




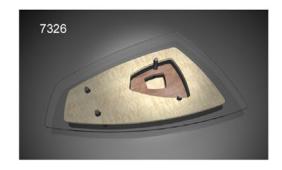
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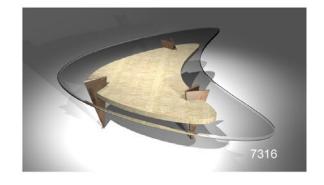








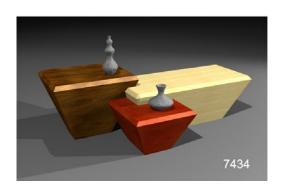


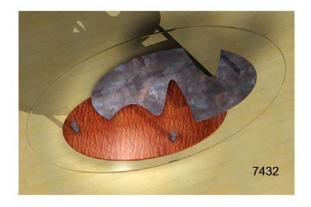
















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