

Studio/ Louise Campbell

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Prince chair
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Product name:
Prince chair

Design:
Louise Campbell

Year:
2001 launched 2005

Manufacturer:
HAY
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Materials:
Laser cut steel. Water cut neoprene rubber laminated with felt.
Powder coated steel frame.

Measurements:
Width:940mm. Height: 760mm. Depth: 750mm.

Product category:
Furniture

Product status:
in production

Short Texts:
Originally designed for the Danish Crown Prince Frederik. The chair challenges modern manufacturing processes, making use of both laser-cutting and water-cutting to produce the intricate perforation, that goes through both the frame and the upholstery.

Long Texts:
This chair was originally designed in 2001 for a competition with the theme: design a chair for His Royal Highness the Crown Prince Frederik. Bound by centuries of firm traditions, and yet a young man very much in touch with his generation, Frederik lives a life full of contrasts. These contrasts were the obvious inspiration in designing the chair. On one level it illustrates a motif resembling fine old lace, (there is a point to the transparency of the chair - it is hard for a prince to hide from the public eye,) on the other level the chair is produced using visibly high technology methods. The chair didn't win this competition, but has, since Hay decided to put it into production in 2005, managed to create a pleasantly high-flying jet-set life for itself anyway. By challenging modern manufacturing processes, it is possible to perforate two very different materials - steel and rubber - with precisely the same pattern. The steel creates the framework of this chair, the rubber gives it softness and comfort, a refreshing alternative to upholstery.

The chair is available in high-end retail stores worldwide, and in April 2006 it was awarded with the EDIDA - Elle Decoration International Design Award.
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