

Northern

Pal bench

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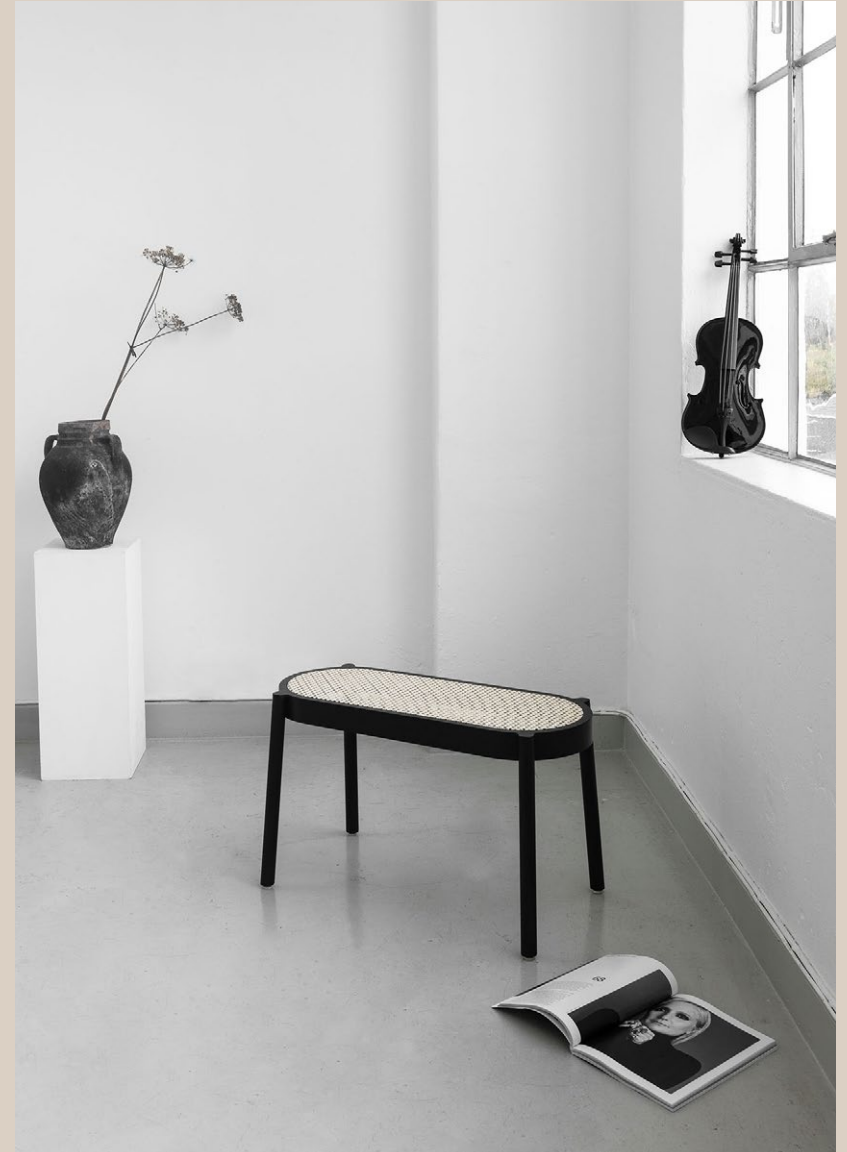
This four legged bench is filled with character, natural materials, and striking craft techniques. This year we introduce a companion bench to the existing Pal stool series. By adding length and a leg we expanded and changed the functional purpose from a stool to a bench. The wicker seat is woven from natural reed fibres and integrated into the frame to sit level with the surface. The supporting frame is available in light oiled oak, smoked oak and black painted oak.

The Finnish designer Sami Kallio has significant expertise in traditional woodworking techniques, which he combines with contemporary sensibilities. Part of the character of the Pal series is formed by the relationship between natural materials and craft techniques, which make each object one-of-a-kind. The legs rise to the full height of the seat, creating a simple, yet striking, profile as they sit alongside the frame rather than underneath it.

Pal is always ready to provide seating when friends gather around, or a good and soft place to sit down in your hallway, bedroom or anywhere else you hang around. When not in use it can be the perfect place for your stack of inspirational coffee table books or your latest interior treasure.

‘From a three-leg stool
to a solid bench’

Design by Sami Kallio



Models and prices



Pal bench with cane mesh seat
light oiled oak / smoked oak /
black painted oak

NOK 7 990,- / SEK 9 590,-
DKK 7 390,- / EURO 950,-

Available:
Now

Retailers and distribution:
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Born in Finland, but based in Gothenburg, Sweden, Sami is a furniture designer and an interior architect. Sami's work is deeply rooted in the Scandinavian tradition and his designs have a strong craft signature. Sami's designs are characterised by clean lines, pure forms and unblemished surfaces, and typically combine the natural with the manmade. Sami has an instinctive feeling for handling a wide range of natural materials, but his talent for working with wood sets him apart from other craftsmen.

The Pal seat series he designed for Northern demonstrates a mastery over materials, carpentry techniques, function and form. There is an element of emotional intelligence in Sami's work that imbues his designs with feeling. Sami's furniture resonates with the contentment and reassurance that only natural materials can convey.

Sami Kallio



About

Picture the North. Rugged landscapes and clear blue waters, dramatic horizons reflected in breath-taking fjords. A place filled with talent and imagination, always ready to inspire new ideas in design. It's where creative expression meets traditional craft, and where pale beauty is coupled with rough-cut contrasts. Inspirations such as these are sparking new directions for design. This is what Northern was established to pioneer.

The Northern brand was born in the studios of Northern Lighting, where a team of creatives has been illuminating lives for the past twelve years. We combine beauty with functionality, and prefer natural materials and genuine craftsmanship. Furniture and interior accessories are a natural fit for what we do, enabling us to express our characteristic style in a whole new scale.

Northern's debut collection is simplicity at its best, spelled out in streamlined designs that are fun to combine and easy to clash and contrast. Smoked wood, twilight colours and strong silhouettes create subdued moods, while subtle geometries and classic sensibilities add an elegant touch. We see the interior as a flexible, creative space, and make multifunctional products that are unified in style, as well as in spirit.

Our creative reach goes beyond our Norwegian heritage to meet the modern need for laid-back luxury and cutting-edge cool. Northern's designs can energise and inspire, create a relaxing mood, or set the scene for a soothing backdrop. Designed with the potential to make any setting unique, Northern's products add atmosphere as they reveal a new vision for Nordic style.

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