

THE TONGUE

HOWE

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION



DESIGNED BY ARNE JACOBSEN 1955

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Designed in 1955 for Munkegård School in Denmark, the Tongue is Arne Jacobsen's second completed chair design - coming right after the Ant chair. It was later placed in the rooms at the Royal Hotel in Copenhagen, where it was also modified for use as a bar stool. Yet the Tongue wasn't available internationally until the 1980s and even then only for a short while. Now returning to its proper place in Jacobsen's legacy, the Tongue has been restored by HOWE engineering expertise. The chair's aesthetics are exactly as Jacobsen specified, with additional strength provided through precision engineering and the application of high-quality materials - matching Arne Jacobsen's own vision for the Tongue.

DESCRIPTION

The Tongue chair is a classic Arne Jacobsen design. It has the immediately recognisable characteristics of the organic wave-form in the seat; complemented with highly sculptural, splayed legs. The Tongue is FSC® certified.

PRODUCT DETAILS

VENEER VERSION

The surface veneer is in matt lacquered 0,6 mm / 0.02" knife-cut sanded veneer on both sides. The 9 inner layers are in 1,0 mm / 0.04" rotary cut birch: 2 outer layers on shell. The thickness of the shell is 9-10 mm / 0.4".

Standard finishes: Oak and walnut veneer as well as black stained veneer.

UPHOLSTERED VERSION

The upholstery is as standard in Divina MD fabric and Savanne leather. The back is fully upholstered. As standard the cushioning is fire retardant CMHR polyurethane foam. Thickness is 10 mm / 0.4" on the front of the shell and 5 mm / 0.2" on the back of the shell. Foam density is 65 kg/m³ / 4.06 lb/ft³ on the shell.

Standard finishes fabric:

Divina MD in 613 light pink, 813 mint blue, 433 ocher and 453 sand.

Standard finishes leather:

Savanne leather in 30302 Cognac, 30330 Coffee, 30314 Black.



FRAMES

The frame is a round tube ($\varnothing 14 \times 2,0 \text{ mm} / \varnothing 0.6'' \times 0.8''$) with rod reinforcement ($\varnothing 9 \text{ mm} / \varnothing 0.4''$). Frame finish comes in trivalent chrome (chrome3) (min. 20μ) or in black or white powder coating (min. 50μ) as standard. The glides are in black TPE plastic.

DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHT**DIMENSIONS - VENEER VERSION**

Depth of shell: 395 mm / 15.6"
 Width of shell
 at widest point: 350 mm / 13.8"
 Seating height: 435 mm / 17.1"
 Height of chair: 790 mm / 31.1"
 Depth of chair: 450 mm / 17.7"
 Width of chair: 455 mm / 17.9"

DIMENSIONS - UPHOLSTERED VERSION

Depth of shell: 390 mm / 15.4"
 Width of shell
 at widest point: 350 mm / 13.8"
 Seating height: 445 mm / 17.5"
 Height of chair: 790 mm / 31.1"
 Depth of chair: 450 mm / 17.7"
 Width of chair: 455 mm / 17.9"

WEIGHT

Veneer version: 3,8 kg / 8.38 lbs.
 Upholstered version: 4,3 kg / 9.48 lbs.

ERGONOMICS & ENVIRONMENT

The chair's triple curved form moulds to body's natural contours. The waterfall shell design does not restrict blood circulation and so prevents undue pressure under the thighs.

The shells, frames and chroming are all produced according to ISO14001 standards. The Tongue is FSC® certified and the chrome is trivalent chrome (chrome3).

All parts of the chair can be dismantled and recycled.

TESTS

The chair has been subject to a variety of tests to ensure its highest quality and durability.

The furniture is tested by third-party organizations and passed testing according to the required EN standards.

All the certificates are available for access and download [here](#).

WARRANTIES

HOWE a/s gives a 5 years guarantee on all Tongue chairs against weld breakages, defective material, workmanship and performance under normal use.

For full information please see the warranty provision on [howe.com](#)

PACKAGING

Chair = 1 per carton.



