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Chair Tout bois by Jean Prouve, 1941

Jean Prouvé

Sold

REF: 7603

Height: 82 cm (32.3")

Width: 42 cm (16.5")

Depth: 48.5 cm (19.1")

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DESCRIPTION

"All wood" chair designed by Jean Prouvé in 1941 for the domestic market, produced between 1942 and 1947 by the Atelier Jean Prouvé and the Vauconsant workshops.

It features a rear leg shaped like an airplane wing, a seat and backrest in plywood veneered with oak, and two front legs joined by a high stretcher with visible tenons. Entirely made of wood, this model reflects Prouvé's wartime innovations, replacing scarce metal with refined woodworking techniques.

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The chair was later painted blue, and now shows a beautiful aged patina revealing both the paint remnants and the original oak grain beneath.

Design: 1941.
Production: Atelier Jean Prouvé and Établissements Vauconsant, 1942-1947.

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