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string® news

1949 ritade arkitekten nils strinning (1917-2006) den första string® hyllan. han lade, med sitt flexibla, minimalistiska hyllsystem, grunden till det vi idag kallar scandinavisk design. nu tar vi string® vidare med hjälp av formgivarna anna von schewen och björn dahlström. de har kompletterat string® med hyllplan i metall och en serie funktionella tillbehör i string® + sortimentet. nytt för i år är även skålplan i filt, 20 cm djupt skåp samt en 50 cm hög väggavel.

in 1949 architect nils strinning (1917-2006) designed the first string® shelf. with his flexible, minimalist shelving system, he laid the foundations of what later became known as scandinavian design. with the help of designers anna von schewen and björn dahlström, we are taking string® onwards. as a complement to string®, they have designed metal shelves and a series of functional accessories for the string® + range. new for this year is also a bowl shelf in felt, cabinet with sliding doors in depth of 20 cm and a 50 cm high wall panel.



string[®] system

string[®] system är en serie delar med klassiska trådgavlar som går att kombinera nästan hur som helst. du kan välja bland flera färger och material för att bygga ditt personliga hyllsystem. systemet bygger på standardbredderna 60 och 80 cm samt två djup, 20 och 30 cm.

the string[®] system is a series of components featuring the classic wire panels that offer almost unlimited combinations. you can choose among a wide range of colours and materials to build your own, personal shelving system, based on standard widths of 60 cm and 80 cm and two depths, 20 cm and 30 cm.

string® system. golvgavlar och metallhyllplan i grått. string® + stänger och krokar.
string® system. floor panels and metal shelves in grey. string® + rods and hooks.



string® system. hyllplan i metall med kant, 2 cm resp. 7 cm.
string® system. shelves in metal with edge, 2 cm or 7 cm high.






new.
cabinet with
sliding doors
78x20 cm.

cabinet with
sliding doors
78x30 cm.

new.

string® system. väggavlar i kombination med skåp i två olika djup, 20 cm och 30 cm.
string® system. wall panels in combination with cabinets in two different depths, 20 cm and 30 cm.





new.
wall panel
50x30 cm.

cabinet with
sliding doors
78x30 cm.



string® system. väggavlar i svart och skåp med skjutdörrar i valnöt.
string® system. wall panels in black and cabinet with sliding doors in walnut.



new.
78x20 cm cabinet
with sliding doors.

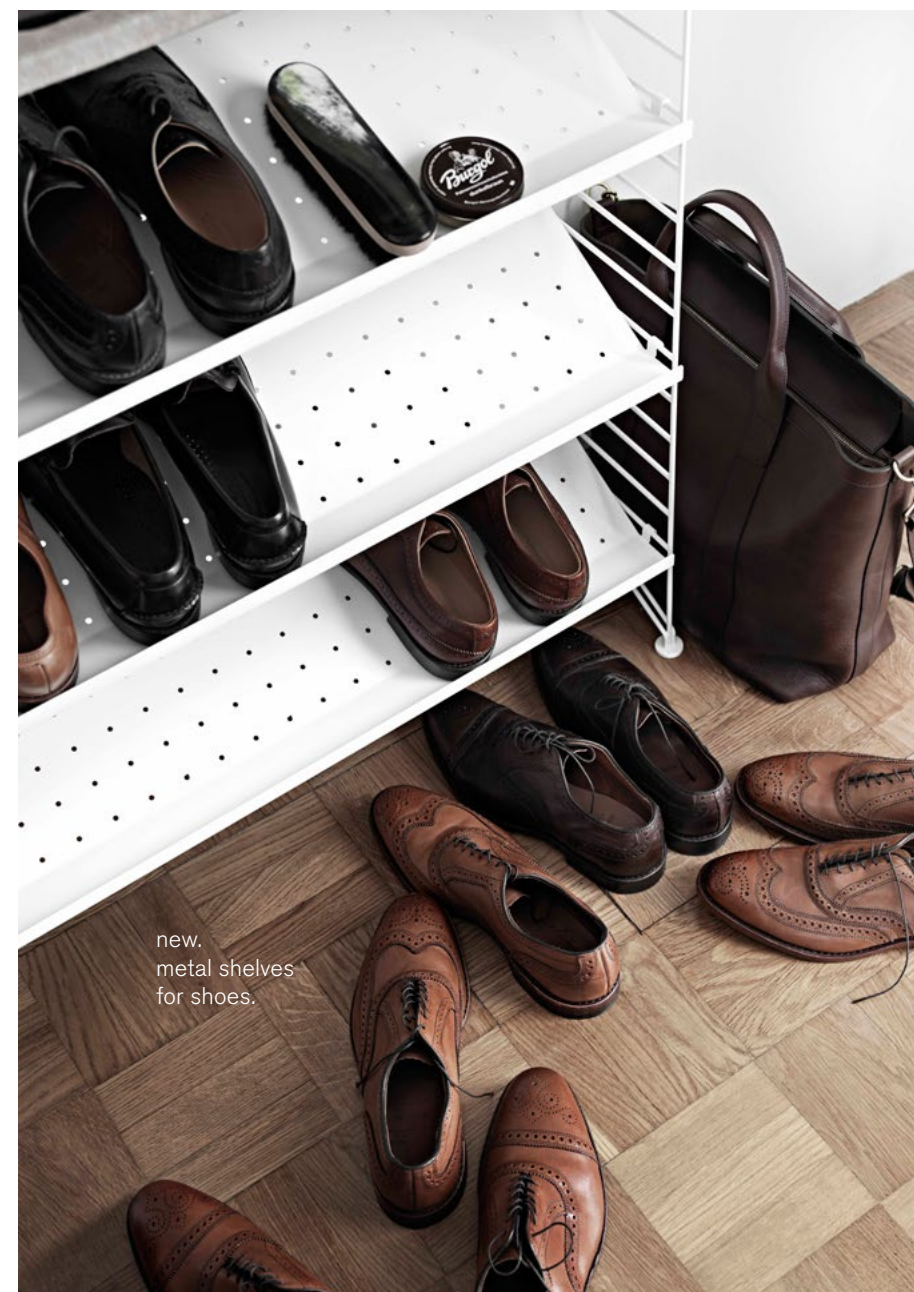
new.
50x20 cm wall panel



new.
bowl shelf in felt.



string® system. kombinera golvgavlar med väggavlar och hyllplan för en flexibel hallösning. komplettera med krokar och stänger från string® + sortimentet.
string® system. combine floor panels and wall panels with shelves. complete with hooks and rods from the string® + range.







string® system i kombination med string® +
string® system in combination with string® +



new.
string® +
see p. 36.

string® system i vitt.
string® system in white.



string® system i svartbetsad ask.
string® system in black stained ash.





string® system golvgavlar och väggavlar i grått. hyllplan och lådhurts i valnöt. string® + organizers i grått.
 string® system floor panels and wall panels in grey. shelves and chest of drawers in walnut. string® + organizers in grey.



string® system i ask.
string® system in ash.



string® system i ek.
string® system in oak.





new +
magazine holder
in tärnsjö leather.

string®

+

string® + är en serie funktionella tillbehör som passar till string® system och string® works. nytt för i år är krokar, stänger, vägggraster, och tidskriftshållare ritade av anna von schewen och björn dahlström.

string® + is a series of functional accessories for the string® system and string® works. new this year are hooks, rods, grids for wall and magazine holders designed by anna von schewen and björn dahlström.

string® + krokar och stänger som fästs direkt i metallhyllplanet.
string® + hooks and rods affix directly to the metal shelf.





string® + organizers och tidskriftshållaren hängs direkt på gaveln eller rastret.
string® + organizers and magazine holders can be hung directly on the panels
or the grids.





string[®] plex

string[®] plex som skapades 1954, har gavlar i laserskuret plexiglas. det gör att hyllplanen ser ut att sväva fritt och hela hyllan får ett extra lätt utseende. string[®] plex finns i två djup och två bredder.

string[®] plex, developed in 1954, has panels of laser cut clear perspex. this has the effect of making the shelves seem to hover, giving the whole shelving unit an extra light appearance. string[®] plex is available in two depths and two widths.

string® plex väggavlar i klar plexi och hyllplan i svartbetsad ask.
string® plex pocket i svartbetsad ask x 2.
string® plex wall panels in clear perspex, shelves in black stained ash.
string® plex pocket in black stained ash x 2.






string® plex väggavlar i klar plexi, hyllplan och vitrinskåp i vitt.
string® plex wall panels in clear perspex, shelves and display cabinet in white.



string® pocket



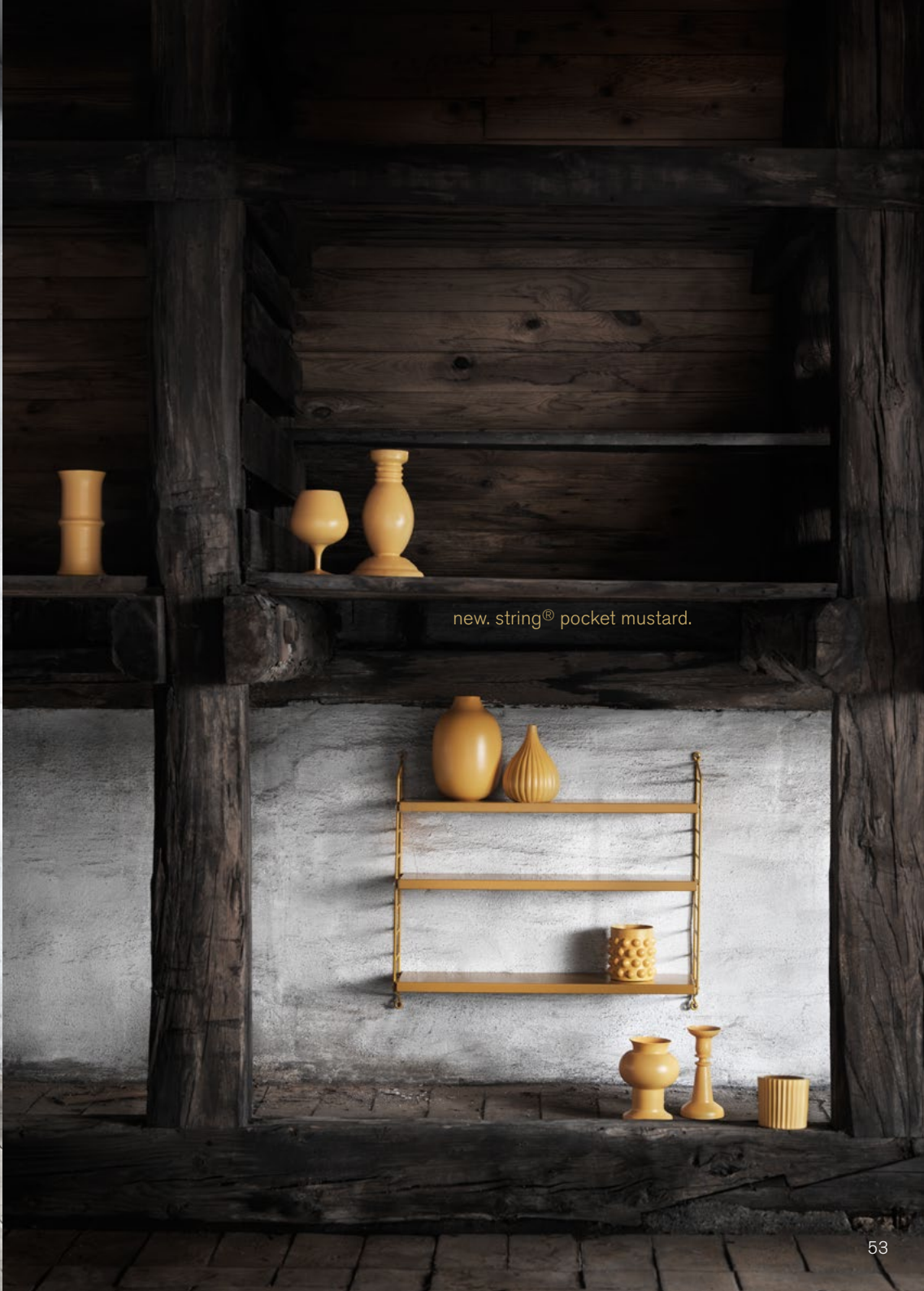
new.
string® pocket
sand.

string® pocket är ett färdigt hyllpaket med två gavlar och tre hyllplan. du kan välja bland flertalet färger och material. i år lanseras tre nya färger: sand, burgundy och mustard. string® pocket går att kombinera. köper du ett paket får du en hylla. köper du två paket kan du bygga upp till tre sektioner.

string® pocket is a complete shelving package with two panels and three shelves. you can choose among a range of colours and materials. new this year is sand, burgundy and mustard. string® pocket can be combined in a host of ways. with one packet you get one shelf, with two packets you can build up to three sections.



new. string® pocket burgundy.



new. string® pocket mustard.

string® plex pocket svartbetsad ask.
string® plex pocket black stained ash.



string® pocket ek/vit.
string® pocket oak/white.



string® pocket vit, valnöt/vit och grön x 2.
 string® pocket white, walnut/white, and green x 2.



string® pocket valnöt/svart, vit/plex, svartbetsad ask, grå.
 string® pocket walnut/black, white/clear perspex, black stained ash, grey.





string® pocket ash/white x 2.





string® works

string® works är skapad för arbete. med borden, hurtsarna och skåpen kan du möblera fristående och komplettera med flera genomtänkta tillbehör. allt är precis lika smart som originalidén string® system, och har samma visuella språk. string® works och string® system går dessutom att använda tillsammans.

string® works is a range of furniture for a flexible and contemporary work environment. with the desks, storage units, cabinets and shelves it is possible to furnish freestanding. string® works can of course be used together with string® system.

string® works höj- och sänkbart konferensbord i ask, 360x90 cm.
string® works height-adjustable conference table in ash, 360x90 cm.



string® works höj- och sänkbart mötesbord i grafitgrå linoleum, 180x90 cm.
string® works height-adjustable meeting table in linoleum charcoal, 180x90 cm.



string® works höj- och sänkbart skrivbord i ask. rullhurts i ask.
trådraster och ljudabsorberande filthuv.
string® works height-adjustable work desk in ash.
mobile storage unit in ash. wire screen and fabric sleeve.



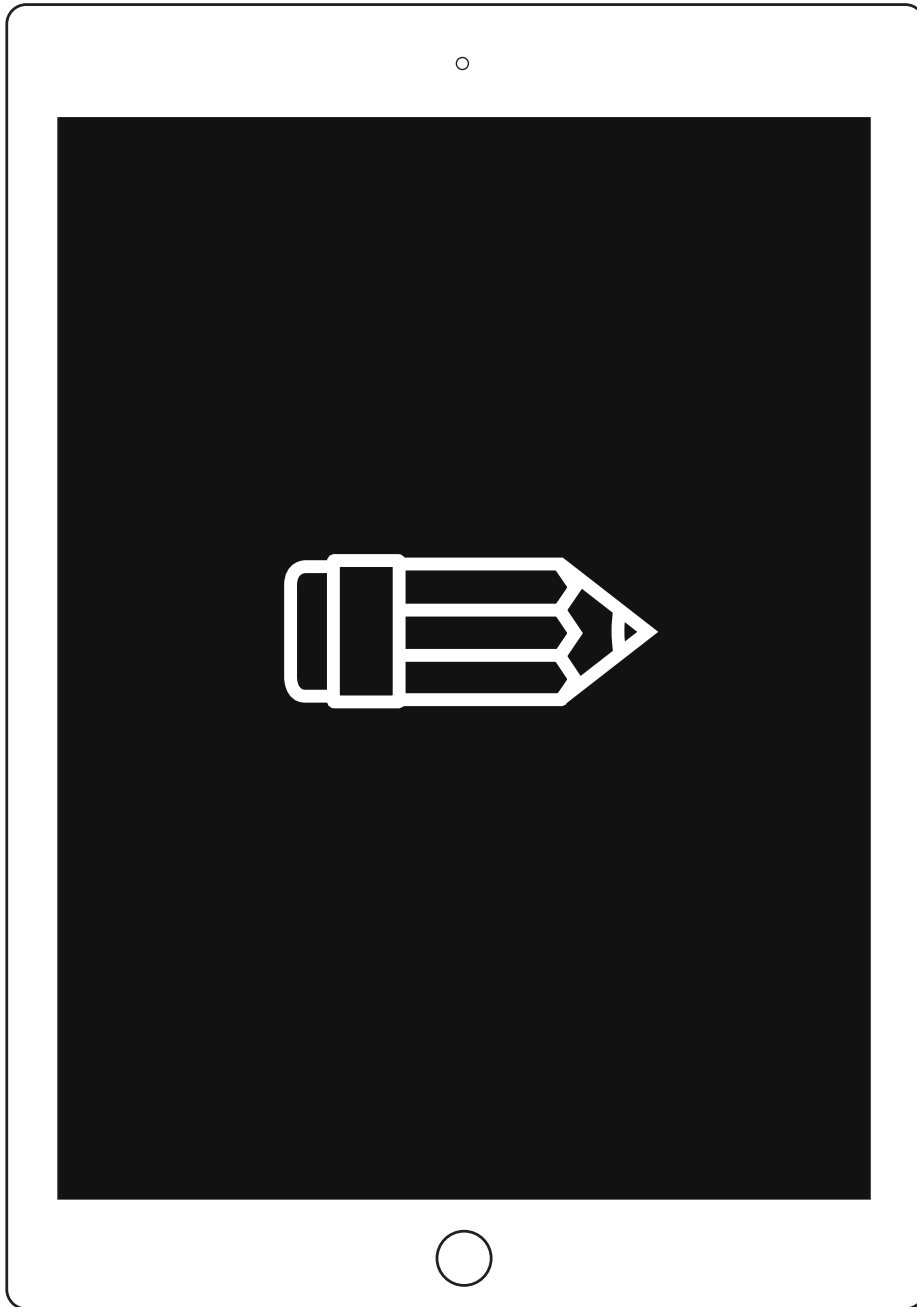
string® works fristående hylla med ljudabsorberande filt.
hyllplan i vitt. pärmshållare i ek. skållplan och skåll i vitt.
string® works free standing shelf with partition in sound absorbing felt.
shelves in white. filing cabinet in oak. bowl shelves and bowl in white.



string® works höj- och sänkbart skrivbord i vitt, 160x78 cm.
fristående hylla/ljudabsorberande filt.
string® works height-adjustable work desk in white, 160x78 cm.
free standing shelf/sound absorbing felt.



search "string furniture"
for ipad on app store



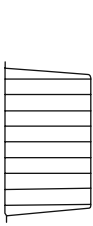
build your own string®

designa ditt eget string® system. med build your own string® har du tillgång till alla färger, delar och mått som går att kombinera. varje gång du sparar din design får den ett unikt id-nummer som du kan ta med till din återförsäljare som hjälper dig att göra en beställning. ladda ner appen från app store eller besök string.se.

design your own string® system. using build your own string®, you have access to the full range of colours, components and sizes to combine to suit your own needs. each time you save your design, you will be given a unique id number that you can take with you to your string® reseller to assist you in placing your order. download the app from the app store or visit string.se.

string® system

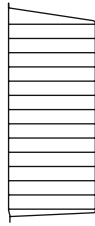
gavlar // panels // サイドパネル



väggavel 50x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

wall panel 50x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

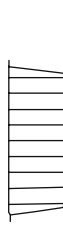
ウォールパネル 50x30 cm
1 組/2 組



väggavel 75x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

wall panel 75x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

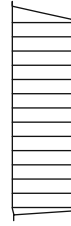
ウォールパネル 75x30 cm
1 組/2 組



väggavel 50x20 cm
1-pack/2-pack

wall panel 50x20 cm
1-pack/2-pack

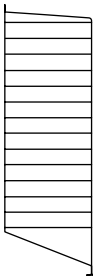
ウォールパネル 50x20 cm
1 組/2 組



väggavel 75x20 cm
1-pack/2-pack

wall panel 75x20 cm
1-pack/2-pack

ウォールパネル 75x20 cm
1 組/2 組



golvavel 85x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

floor panel 85x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

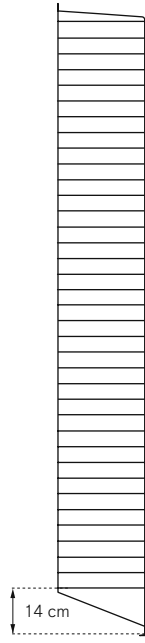
フロアパネル 85x30 cm
1 組/2 組



golvavel 115x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

floor panel 115x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

フロアパネル 115x30 cm
1 組/2 組



golvavel 200x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

floor panel 200x30 cm
1-pack/2-pack

フロアパネル 200x30 cm
1 組/2 組



vit
white
ホワイト

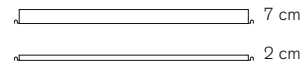
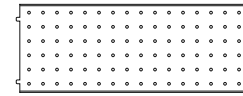


grå
grey
グレー

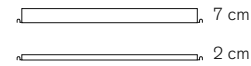
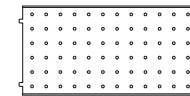


svart
black
ブラック

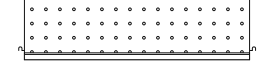
hyllplan // shelves // シェルフとワークデスク



metall/metal/メタル
78x30 cm
1-pack
1 セット



metall/metal/メタル
58x30 cm
1-pack
1 セット



skohylla (metall)
58x30/78x30 cm (djup 30 cm) 1-pack
shoe shelf (metal)
58x30/78x30 cm (depth 30 cm) 1-pack
シューズラック (メタル)
58x30/78x30 cm (奥行き 30cm) 1 組



vit
white
ホワイト



grå
grey
グレー



svart
black
ブラック



78x30 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット



58x30 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット



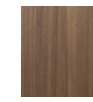
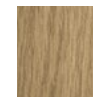
78x20 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット



58x20 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット



arbetskiva 78x58 cm 1-pack
work desk 78x58 cm 1-pack
ワークデスク 78x58 cm 1 組

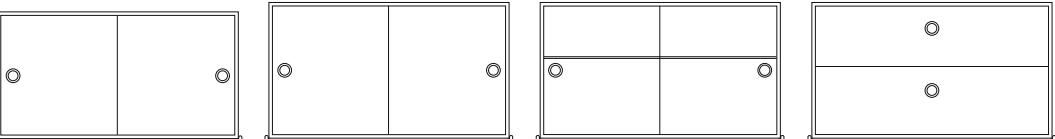


ask · ek · valnöt · svartbetsad ask · grå · vit // ash · oak · walnut · black stained ash · grey · white //
アッシュ · オーク · ウォールナット · ブラック スティインド アッシュ · グレー · ホワイト

to avoid flex we recommend max. 15 kg evenly spread load on 78 cm wide shelves and 25 kg on 58 cm wide shelves // 幅 78 cm のシェルフの耐荷重は 15 kg、幅 58 cm のシェルフは 25 kg を推奨しています。幅 78 cm のシェルフは荷重を均等にご利用ください

string® system

skåp och hurtsar // cabinets and chests // キャビネットとチェスト



skåp med skjutdörrar
b78/d20/h37 cm
insidesdjup 16 cm. två
sektioner med ett löstagbart
hyllplan till varje sektion.
handtag i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

cabinet with sliding doors
w78/d20/h37 cm
inside depth 16 cm. two
sections with one detachable
shelf in each section.
handles in stainless steel.
1-pack

キャビネット
w78/d20/h37 cm
内側奥行 16 cm 取り外し棚 2 枚
ステンレス製ハンドル付きスライド
ドア 1 組

skåp med skjutdörrar
b78/d30/h42 cm
insidesdjup 26 cm. två
sektioner med ett löstagbart
hyllplan till varje sektion.
handtag i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

cabinet with sliding doors
w78/d30/h42 cm
inside depth 26 cm. two
sections with one detachable
shelf in each section.
handles in stainless steel.
1-pack

キャビネット
w78/d30/h42 cm
内側奥行 26 cm 取り外し棚 2 枚
ステンレス製ハンドル付きスライド
ドア 1 組

vitrinskåp med
skjutdörrar i glas
b78/d30/h42 cm
insidesdjup 26 cm.
ett löstagbart hyllplan i glas.
handtag i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

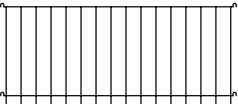
display cabinet with
sliding glass doors
w78/d30/h42 cm
inside depth 26 cm. one
detachable glass shelf.
handles in stainless steel.
1-pack

ディスプレイキャビネット
w78/d30/h42 cm
内側奥行 26 cm 取り外しガラス棚 1
枚ステンレス製ハンドル付きガラスス
ライドドア 1組

hurts
b78/d30/h42 cm
insidesdjup 23 cm
lådor med handtag
i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

chest
w78/d30/h42 cm
inside depth 23 cm
drawers with handle in
stainless steel.
1-pack

チェスト
w78/d30/h42 cm
内側奥行 23 cm ステンレス製ハン
ドル付き引き出し 1 組



tidskriftshylla (metall)
78x30cm (djup 33 cm) 1-pack

magazine shelf (metal)
78x30cm (depth 33 cm) 1-pack

マガジンシェルフ
78x30cm (奥行き33cm) 1組

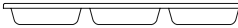


vit
white
ホワイト

grå
grey
グレー

svart
black
ブラック

skålplan // bowl shelves // ボウルシェルフ



ljusgrå
light grey
ライトグレー

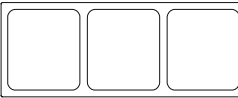
antracit
antracit
ダークグレー

beige
beige
ベージュ

skålplan (filt)
78x30cm 1-pack

bowl shelf (felt)
78x30cm 1-pack

ボウルシェルフ(フェルト)
78x30cm 1組



vit
white
ホワイト

skålplan (vit abs plast)
78x30cm 1-pack

bowl shelf (white abs plastic)
78x30cm 1-pack

ボウルシェルフ(ホワイト abs樹脂)
78x30cm 1組



tidskriftshylla (solid)
78x30cm (djup 36 cm) 1-pack

magazine shelf (solid)
78x30cm (depth 36 cm) 1-pack

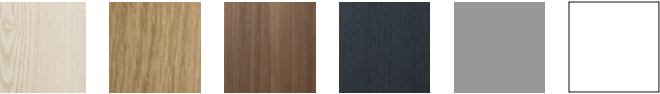
木製マガジンシェルフ
78x30cm (奥行き36cm) 1組



tidskriftshylla (solid)
58x30cm (djup 36 cm) 1-pack

magazine shelf (solid)
58x30cm (depth 36 cm) 1-pack

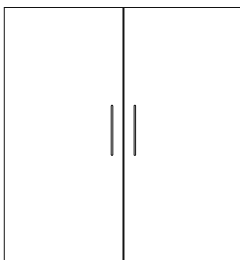
木製マガジンシェルフ
58x30cm (奥行き36cm) 1組



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アッシュ · オーク · ウォールナット · ブラック ステインド アッシュ · グレー · ホワイト

string® system

förvaringsskåp // filing cabinet // ファイリングキャビネット



b78/d32/h77 insidesdjup 28 cm
w78/d32/h77 inside depth 28 cm
w78/d32/h77 内側奥行28 cm



vit
white
ホワイト

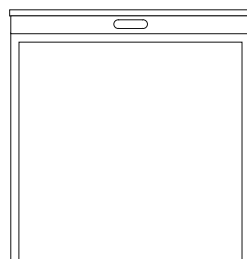
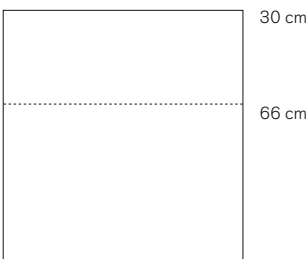


ask
ash
アッシュ



ek
oak
オーク

fällbord – endast med golvgavlar // folding table – only with floor panels // 折りたたみ式テーブル フロアパネルのみ対応



fällbord b78xd96xh71 cm, 1-pack
folding table w78xd96xh71 cm, 1-pack
折りたたみ式テーブル w78xd96xh71 cm 1組

fällbord // folding table // 折りたたみ式テーブル



vit/vit
white/white
ホワイト/
ホワイト



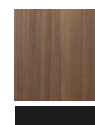
ask/vit
ash/white
アッシュ/
ホワイト



ek/vit
oak/white
オーク/
ホワイト



valnöt/vit
walnut/white
ウォールナット/
ホワイト



valnöt/svart
walnut/black
ウォールナット/
ブラック



svartbetsad
ask/svart
black stained
ash/black
ブラック ステイン
ド アッシュ/
ブラック



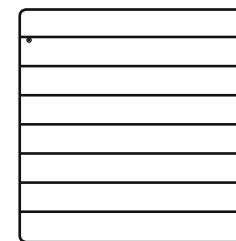
grå/grå
grey/grey
グレー/
グレー

string® +

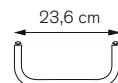


3,6 cm

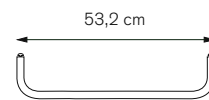
krok h8,4 cm, 6-pack
hook h8,4 cm, 6-pack
フック h8,4 cm 6セット



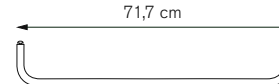
väggraster b40,5xh40,5 cm, 1-pack
grid for wall w40,5xh40,5 cm, 1-pack
壁付けグリッド w40,5xh40,5 cm 1組



23,6 cm

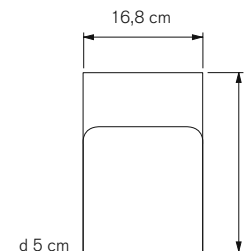


53,2 cm



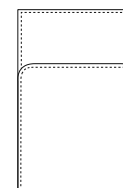
71,7 cm

stång small/medium/large, 1-pack
rod small/medium/large, 1-pack
レール スモール/ミディアム/ラージ 1組

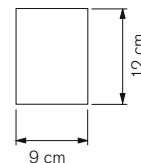


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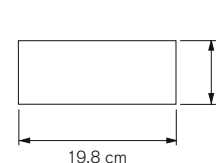
tidskriftshållare metall, 1-pack
magazine holder metal, 1-pack
マガジンホルダー メタル 1組



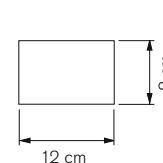
tidskriftshållare klädd i tärnsjöläder, 1-pack
magazine holder in tärnsjö leather, 1-pack
マガジンホルダー テンショージャ製レザー 1組



9 cm



19,8 cm



12 cm

organizers 3-pack
organizers 3-pack
オーガナイザー 3セット



vit
white
ホワイト



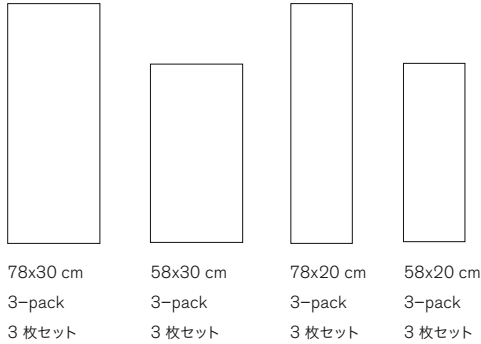
grå
grey
グレー



svart
black
ブラック

string® plex

hyllplan // shelves // シェルフとワークデスク



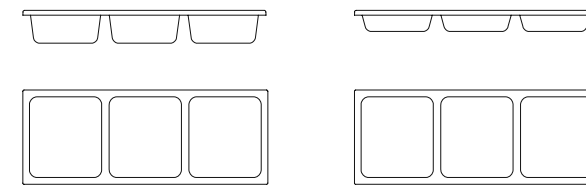
78x30 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット

58x30 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット

78x20 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット

58x20 cm
3-pack
3 枚セット

skålplan // bowl shelves // ボウルシェルフ



skålplan (vit abs plast)
78x30cm 1-pack

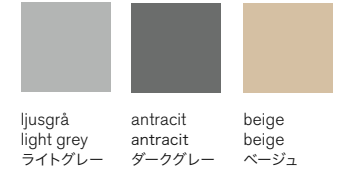
bowl shelf (white abs plastic)
78x30cm 1-pack

ボウルシェルフ(ホワイト abs樹脂)
78x30cm1組

skålplan (filt)
78x30cm 1-pack

bowl shelf (felt)
78x30cm 1-pack

ボウルシェルフ(フェルト)
78x30cm 1組

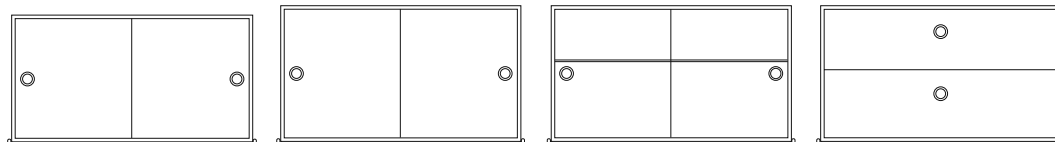


ljusgrå
light grey
ライトグレー

antracit
antracit
ダークグレー

beige
beige
ベージュ

skåp och hurtsar // cabinets and chests // キャビネットとチェスト



skåp med skjutdörrar
b78/d20/h37 cm
insidesdjup 16 cm. två
sektioner med ett löstagbart
hyllplan till varje sektion.
handtag i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

cabinet with sliding doors
w78/d20/h37 cm
inside depth 16 cm. two
sections with one detachable
shelf in each section.
handles in stainless steel.
1-pack

キャビネット
w78/d20/h37 cm
内側奥行 16 cm 取り外し棚 2 枚
ステンレス製ハンドル付きスライド
ドア 1 組

skåp med skjutdörrar
b78/d30/h42 cm
insidesdjup 26 cm. två
sektioner med ett löstagbart
hyllplan till varje sektion.
handtag i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

cabinet with sliding doors
w78/d30/h42 cm
inside depth 26 cm. two
sections with one detachable
shelf in each section.
handles in stainless steel.
1-pack

キャビネット
w78/d30/h42 cm
内側奥行 26 cm 取り外し棚 2 枚
ステンレス製ハンドル付きスライド
ドア 1 組

vitrinskåp med
skjutdörrar i glas
b78/d30/h42 cm
insidesdjup 26 cm.
ett löstagbart hyllplan i glas.
handtag i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

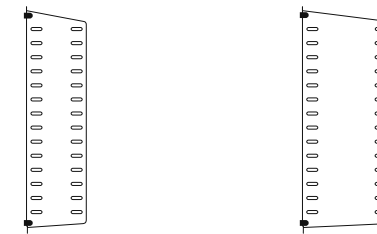
display cabinet with
sliding glass doors
w78/d30/h42 cm
inside depth 26 cm. one
detachable glass shelf.
handles in stainless steel.
1-pack

ディスプレイキャビネット
w78/d30/h42 cm
内側奥行 26 cm 取り外しガラス棚 1
枚ステンレス製ハンドル付きガラスス
ライドドア 1組

hurts
b78/d30/h42 cm
insidesdjup 23 cm
lådor med handtag
i rostfritt stål.
1-pack

chest
w78/d30/h42 cm
inside depth 23 cm
drawers with handle in
stainless steel.
1-pack

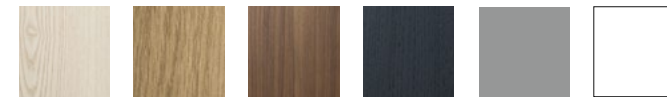
チェスト
w78/d30/h42 cm
内側奥行 23 cm ステンレス製ハン
ドル付き引き出し 1 組



75x20 cm 1-pack/2-pack
75x20 cm 1 組/2 組

75x30 cm 1-pack/2-pack
75x30 cm 1 組/2 組

hyllplan, skåp och hurtsar // shelves, cabinets and chests // シェルフ、キャビネット、チェスト



ask · ek · valnöt · svartbetsad ask · grå · vit // ash · oak · walnut · black stained ash ·
grey · white // アッシュ · オーク · ウォールナット · ブラック スティンド アッシュ · グレー · ホワイト

to avoid flex we recommend max. 15 kg evenly spread load on 78 cm wide shelves and 25 kg on 58 cm wide shelves // 幅 78 cm のシェルフの耐荷重は 15 kg、幅 58 cm のシェルフは 25 kg を推奨しています。幅 78 cm のシェルフは荷重を均等にご使いください

string® pocket

h50cm/w60cm/d15cm



ask/vit // ash/white // アッシュ/ ホワイト



ek/vit // oak/white // オーク/ ホワイト



vit // white // ホワイト
ncs s 0500-n



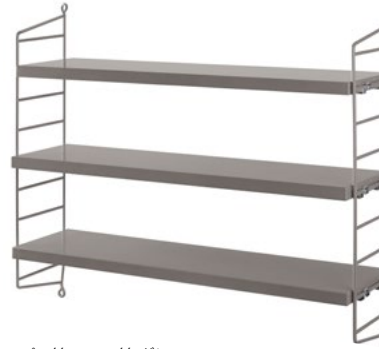
sand // sand // サンド
ncs s 4010-y30r



valnöt/vit // walnut/white //ウォールナッ
ト/ホワイト



valnöt/svart // walnut/black // ウォールナッ
ト/ ブラック



grå // grey // グレー
ncs s 4500-n



burgundy // burgundy // ブルゴーニュ
ncs s 6030-y80r



vit/klar plexi // white/clear perspex // ホウ
イト/パースペックス
white ncs s 0500-n



grön // green // グリーン
ncs s 3020-g20y



svartbetsad ask/svart // black stained
ash/black // ブラック ステインド アッシュ



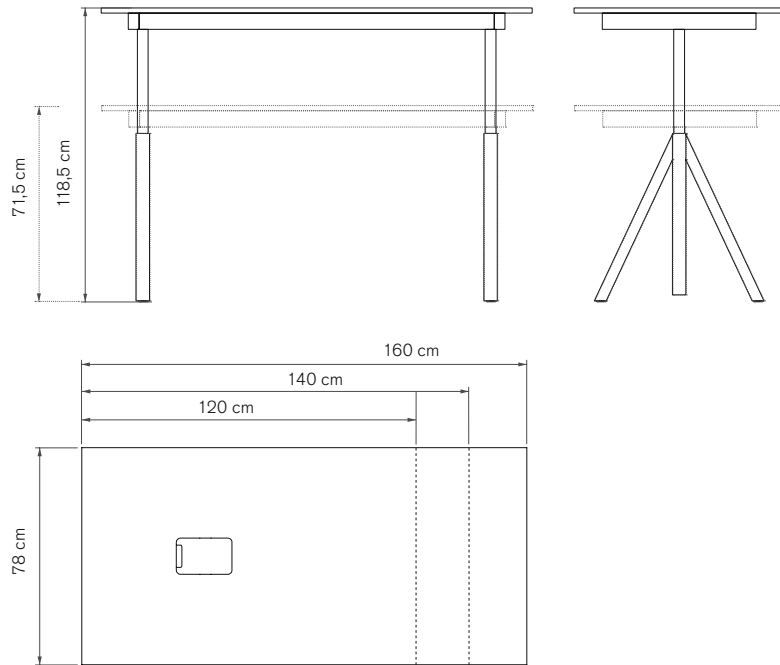
mustard // mustard // マスタード
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svartbetsad ask/klar plexi // black stained
ash/clear perspex // ブラック ステインド アッシュ/パ
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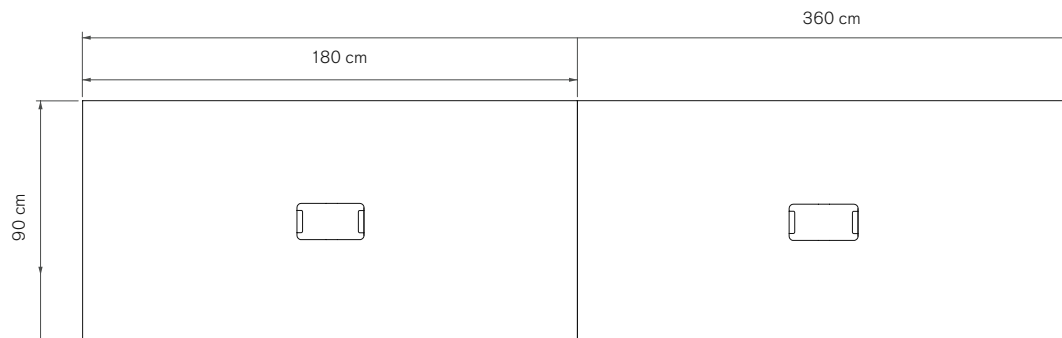
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string® works

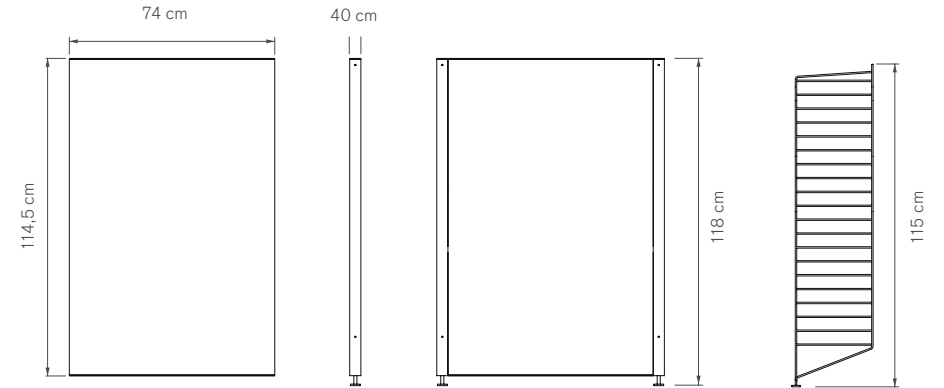
høj- och sänkbart skrivbord // height-adjustable work desk // 昇降式ワークデスク



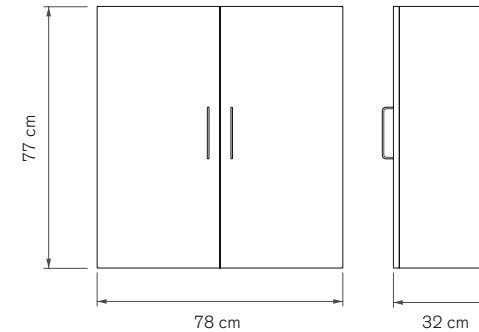
høj- och sänkbart mötesbord 180x90 / høj- och sänkbart konferensbord 360x90 // height-adjustable meeting table 180x90 / height-adjustable conference table 360x90 // 昇降式ミーティングテーブル 180x90 / 昇降式カンファレンステーブル 360x90



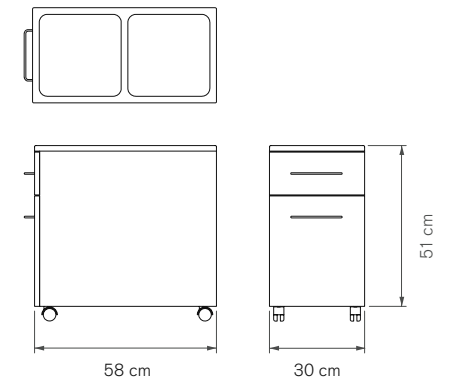
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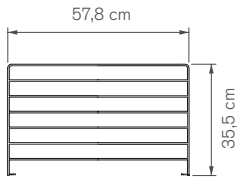
förvaringsskåp // filing cabinet // ファイリングキャビネット



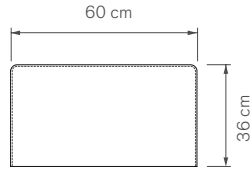
rullhurts // mobile storage unit // モバイルキャビネット



string® works

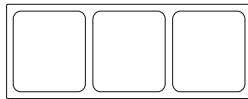
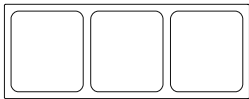
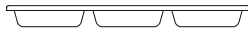
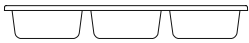


trådraster för skrivbord
wire screen for desk
ワイヤースクリーン



filthuv
fabric sleeve
フェルトカバー

skålplan // bowl shelves // ボウルシェルフ



ljusgrå
light grey
ライトグレー



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skålplan (vit abs plast)
78x30cm 1-pack

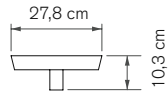
bowl shelf (white abs plastic)
78x30cm 1-pack

ボウルシェルフ(ホワイト abs樹脂)
78x30cm 1組

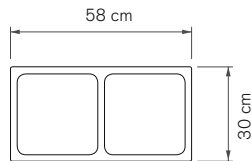
skålplan (felt)
78x30cm 1-pack

bowl shelf (felt)
78x30cm 1-pack

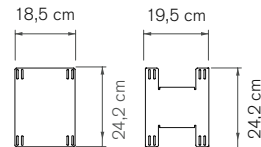
ボウルシェルフ(フェルト)
78x30cm 1組



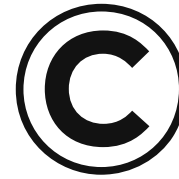
skål
bowl
トレイ



skrivbordslåda djup 2 cm
desk drawer depth 2 cm
引き出し 深さ 2cm



datorhållare
pc holder
コンピューターホルダー



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still made in sweden

on the value of a strong idea

if we're talking about powerful, viable ideas that can survive the winds of change and the wear and tear of the eye, there can hardly be a better example than the string® shelving system. or "those bloody shelves" as nisse strinning himself used to call the furniture that would trump everything else he achieved in his long design career. in 1949, he and his wife kajsa - still both architecture students - had hatched the concept of those small, functional shelves that would later that year win first prize in bonniers folkbibliotek's competition and jump-start the fledgling designers' careers. "it was only me who realised that i had hit upon something earth shattering," explained nisse later, noting that, "there was no damn reason to hang complicated supports and brackets on the wall when a simple ladder, with the shelves resting on the rungs, would give you portability and bookends in one fell swoop."

i met nisse myself some 45 years later when i interviewed him for malmö konsthall's magazine, beckerell. during the preceding decades the string® system had exploded in popularity. with the addition of cupboards, tables and cabinets it had grown into a whole family and a complete furnishing solution. awarded the gold medal at the 1954 milan triennial, making a major impact at h55 in helsingborg. it sold in its millions across europe, not least in germany where it was also manufactured. the design idea - with its key component, the plastic-coated iron wire developed by nisse in the 1940s - was simple, almost frugal. however it would quickly become iconically associated with the era in which it was born. the post-war years, the welfare state, the golden age of scandinavian design. this quintessential quality suddenly proved to be a burden as the 1970s approached. people began to perceive the shelves as old-fashioned and dull. a dip in fortunes that by the time we met in the 1990s at bobergs matsal at nk - nisse's choice i seem to recall - had turned to fervent nostalgia. selling like hotcakes on the second-hand market, string® furniture was now the height of retro fashion. new production however was proving less successful. manufacture in sweden had come to an

end in the 1970s and several attempts to restart production had failed over the years. nisse was disgruntled.

it therefore made sense when in the spring of 2004 - as rebecka tarschys writes in string pocket - he exclaimed: "at last someone who understands the potential." he had just been contacted by peter erlandsson and pär josefsson, who wanted to breathe new life into the string brand. and "the boys", as nisse called these new entrepreneurs, obviously did understand.

string® in the new millennium is not only an economic success story. the furniture that has outsold every other in sweden is now also a design icon. copied extensively but hailed in equal measures, by initiated colleagues who smoothly and seamlessly allude to, quote from and add to the legendary original. within the framework of string® furniture's own investment mats theselius, in characteristic manner, chose humour and spectacle for a limited edition to celebrate the 2009 jubilee year. string® in gold and rosewood, completely wrong of course, unthinkable - and therefore such an appropriate declaration of love. and as the duo björn dahlström and anna von schewen explain regarding their design for the new string® works addition, the original shelf from 1949 acted as a conceptual base. a spirit of simplicity and invention that they used as a springboard for creating the most comfortable contemporary work surfaces possible. almost 70 years after nisse strinning's original stroke of genius, "those bloody shelves" still have the power to inspire. - *ingrid sommar, writer and journalist*

prizes and exhibitions (excerpt):

1949: winner of the bonnier bookshelf competition. 1954: awarded gold medallion, milan triennial. 1954: exhibition "design in scandinavia", usa. 1955: exhibition "h55", helsingborg. 1979: added to the design collection of the swedish national museum. 1993: awarded "excellent swedish design" by svensk form. 1999: awarded "excellent swedish design" by svensk form. 1999: nils strinning awarded the classical prize by svensk form. 2004-2006: exhibition "scandinavian design beyond the myth", berlin, milan, gent, prague, budapest, riga, glasgow, copenhagen, gothenburg, oslo. 2005: exhibition "h05/living room", helsingborg. 2006: exhibition "h05/living room", city hall paris. 2006: exhibition "stars & stripes mixed with yellow & blue", embassy of sweden, washington d.c. usa. 2009: string® classified as a work of applied art under copyright law. 2010: "swedish love stories" superstudio più, milan. 2013: string® included in vitra design museum's collection. 2015: winner the german design award. 2016: string® works office furniture collection.

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