Manière Noire

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Martin Szekely Manière Noire



Chaise Carbone, 1985 Carbon fiber and painted steel 75 x 38 x 50 cm.



Carbon fiber 115 x 226 x 75 cm.



Manière Noire Shelf 1, 2013 Carbon fiber 78 x 39 x 29 cm.

Manière Noire comprises two sets of shelving in carbon fibre, Shelf and Tower. The Shelf items are fixed to the wall but seem to hang in space, while the Tower elements are amassed to form freestanding parallelepipeds.

Martin Szekely began using carbon fibre in 1985, when his Chaise Carbone was a first in the world of domestic furniture. It was followed by Heroic Carbon in 2010 and Manière Noire in 2013.

Making the most of the material's low density and remarkable resistance to traction and compression, this new series offers light, strong structures that multiply useable space.

Wholly determined by their function, the simple forms of these shelves are open to evolving uses. Made from a single material, they are physically limited to what is strictly necessary. This elementariness reflects Martin Szekely's ongoing research into uses and materials.

The distinctive aesthetic of this series is visually underscored by the alternation of square and rectangular modules, the interplay of full and empty forms, and the silky sheen of the woven material as it modulates the reflected light.

Manière Noire Shelf comprises 5 models, 5 shelves of different sizes and orientations. Each model is an edition of 10 (+ 2 AP).

Manière Noire Tower comprises 3 models, 3 shelf units of different heights.

Each model is an edition of 10 (+ 2 AP).

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Manière Noire Shelf 2013 Carbon fiber



Manière Noire Shelf 1, 2013

 $78 \times 39 \times 29 \text{ cm.} - 30.7 \times 15.4 \times 11.4 \text{ in.}$ Edition of 10 + 2 AP



Manière Noire Shelf 2, 2013

78 x 78 x 29 cm. - 30.7 x 30.7 x 11.4 in. Edition of 10 + 2 AP



Manière Noire Shelf 3, 2013

39 x 156 x 29 cm. - 15.4 x 61.4 x 11.4 in. Edition of 10 + 2 AP



Manière Noire Shelf 4, 2013

39 x 234 x 29 cm. - 15.4 x 92.1 x 11.4 in. Edition of 10 + 2 AP



Manière Noire Shelf 5, 2013

117 x 117 x 29 cm. - 46.1 x 46.1 x 11.4 in. Edition of 10 + 2 AP

Each Manière Noire Shelf is signed and numbered.

The dimensions are given in the following order: height x width x depth.

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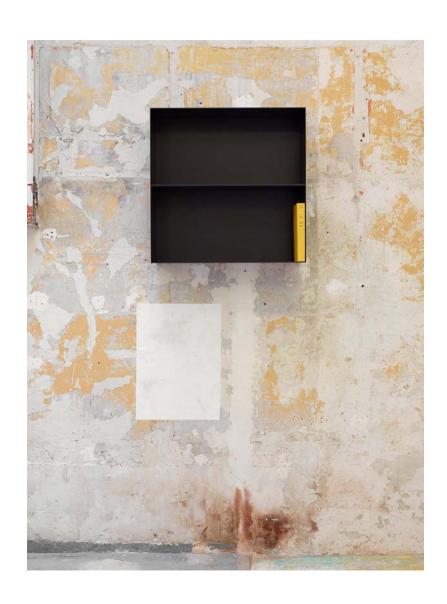
Manière Noire Shelf 1
2013
Carbon fiber
78 x 39 x 29 cm. - 30.7 x 15.4 x 11.4 in.
Edition of 10 + 2 AP





BLONDEAU & CIE MANIÈRE NOIRE 4/15

Manière Noire Shelf 2
2013
Carbon fiber
78 x 78 x 29 cm. - 30.7 x 30.7 x 11.4 in.
Edition of 10 + 2 AP





BLONDEAU & CIE MANIÈRE NOIRE 5/15

Martin Szekely

Manière Noire Shelf 3
2013
Carbon fiber
39 x 156 x 29 cm. - 15.4 x 61.4 x 11.4 in.
Edition of 10 + 2 AP





BLONDEAU & CIE MANIÈRE NOIRE 6/15

Manière Noire Shelf 4
2013
Carbon fiber
39 x 234 x 29 cm. - 15.4 x 92.1 x 11.4 in.
Edition of 10 + 2 AP





BLONDEAU & CIE MANIÈRE NOIRE 7/15

Martin Szekely

Manière Noire Shelf 5
2013
Carbon fiber
117 x 117 x 29 cm. - 46.1 x 46.1 x 11.4 in.
Edition of 10 + 2 AP





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Manière Noire Tower 2013 Carbon fiber



Manière Noire Tower 1, 2013

 $156 \times 69 \times 69 \text{ cm.} - 61.4 \times 27.2 \times 27.2 \text{ in.}$ Edition of 10 + 2 AP



Manière Noire Tower 2, 2013

117 x 69 x 69 cm. - 46.1 x 27.2 x 27.2 in. Edition of 10 + 2 AP



Manière Noire Tower 3, 2013

78 x 69 x 69 cm. - 30.7 x 27.2 x 27.2 in. Edition of 10 + 2 AP

Each Manière Noire Tower is signed and numbered.

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Manière Noire Tower 1
2013
Carbon fiber
156 x 69 x 69 cm. - 61.4 x 27.2 x 27.2 in.
Edition of 10 + 2 AP









BLONDEAU & CIE MANIÈRE NOIRE 10 / 15

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Manière Noire Tower 2

2013

Carbon fiber

117 x 69 x 69 cm. - 46.1 x 27.2 x 27.2 in.

Edition of 10 + 2 AP









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Manière Noire Tower 3
2013
Carbon fiber
78 x 69 x 69 cm. - 30.7 x 27.2 x 27.2 in.
Edition of 10 + 2 AP









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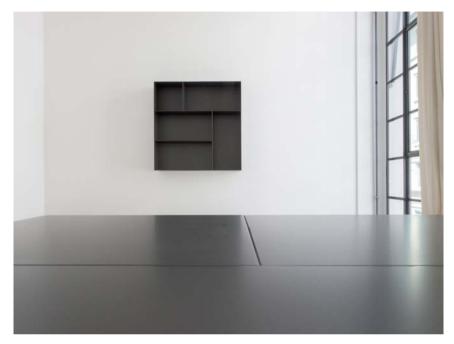
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What at first looks like a monolith is in fact hollow: an assemblage of rectangular and square boxes, open at one end and with sides five millimetres thick. They are stuck together and mutually interdependent in the effort that will be demanded of them once filled. Impregnated with and solidified by resin, the carbon fibre unifies the entire structure.

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Manière Noire: Exhibition views

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