

## **Stool E60**

Design Alvar Aalto, 1933

Alvar Aalto's L-leg, a solid wood leg with a laminated part bent at 90°, was patented in 1933 and quickly became a standard component of Aalto's furniture designs. Aalto's first design incorporating the L-leg is the now classic Stool 60. The four-legged E60 version of Aalto's classic Stool 60 is a steadier version of the three-legged design icon. The simple, stackable and durable wooden stool represented a new approach to furniture design – the use of wood instead of bent steel was revolutionary at the time.

Just a few days before the founding of Artek in 1935, the Municipal Library in Vyborg was opened, where the Stool 60 and E60 were used in a public building for the very first time. The introduction of the L-leg was an important milestone leading to the foundation of Artek in 1935. Stool 60 represents a crystallisation of Artek's values, including the importance of technology, art and ethics.