MAYA





OVERVIEW

The Maya seating and table units take the principle of the iconic Cloud frame and refine it to reflect and enhance the sophistication of the new Gloster design philosophy. The frame is reduced in dimension and the ultra-slender powder coated aluminium profile connects to cast aluminium legs. Side and back cushions are subtly revised in profile and detail, and use a series of specially developed knitted fabrics by Sunbrella. Additions to the range include console tables and planters that allow for a series of living landscapes to be created outdoors.

INSPIRATION

When the Cloud range was launched in 2010, it incorporated new thinking and technology in the design of the upholstered elements and made these as comfortable as their interior cousins. Cloud not only invented the 'outdoor lounge' category, it went on to define it.

So how do you improve this? It is often easier for a designer to start again rather than take an existing design and make it better. This was the challenge; the gentle, but meaningful evolution of an existing idea. To distill and keep the spirit of the original, but refresh the aesthetic and expand its possibilities.

The Maya system reflects and enhances the sophistication of the Gloster design philosophy. Particular attention has been given to the materials and technologies used that are at the forefront of outdoor furniture design. In addition to the subtle updates to the frame and cushion profiles, table units in new sizes and with a choice of teak or ceramic tops have been added and can to be placed together in contrasting scales. This principle extends to the two heights of console tables which can incorporate a planting tray to further give variety to a living landscape.

DESIGNER	Mark Gabbertas
MATERIALS	Powder Coated Aluminium Natural Finish Teak Ceramic Outdoor Fabric Cushions
MODELS	75 x 75 Lounge Chair, Ottoman, Centre Unit, Corner Unit 75 x 100 Ottoman, Centre Unit, Left / Right End Unit 75 x 150 Sofa, Ottoman, Centre Unit, Left / Right End Table Unit, Left / Right End Table Unit, Left / Right Chaise Unit 75 x 50 Coffee Table 75 x 75 Coffee Table 75 x 100 Coffee Table 75 x 30 High / Low Console Table 100 x 30 High / Low Planter 100 x 30 High / Low Planter Side Table
FRAME COLOURS	Meteor White



ABOUT THE DESIGNER

Mark Gabbertas is an award-winning furniture designer based in London. Born in Yorkshire in 1962, Mark graduated from Durham University with a degree in political philosophy. Following a short career in advertising, in 1990 Mark left to train as a cabinet-maker. He set up on his own after two years and embarked on the well-trodden path of the designer-maker. Initially commissions were for private clients, but briefs from larger commercial organisations increased in number and became the focus of the workshop. Mark was at the forefront of the renaissance in British design in the 1990's, especially the rise of the self-production designer.

In 2002, he established Studio Gabbertas in West London and in 2006 the studio started to work with leading outdoor furniture brands, including Gloster. An intrinsic part of Mark's design process is the belief that at all times, the design of an object is governed by an appreciation of commercial realities. He believes passionately that if a great design does not sell, perhaps it is not such a great design.

ABOUT GLOSTER

As life gets faster and more complex, the need for quality time and space - the freedom to be you - grows too. At Gloster we open doors to timelessly beautiful exteriors where your furniture sets the mood, just the way you want it to be. And we take the long view, using only the very best materials and techniques available. Our aim is your pleasure - to be enjoyed in countless special moments outdoors.

With offices world-wide and our own manufacturing facility in Indonesia, Gloster's roots can be traced all the way back to West Africa in 1960, where a band of passionate entrepreneurs and furniture makers took the first steps on a long journey. Today, the same passion, conviction and pride that launched the Gloster brand, continues to fuel our business. We may live in a different world than the one occupied by our founders, but one thing remains the same - we are furniture makers whose sole focus is to design and build the world's finest outdoor furniture.

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