



# The Independent Design Guide

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**Upholstered Chair**  
**StokkeAustad**  
Swedish

The design of the 'Upholstered Chair' re-evaluates the relationship between product and user through a range of devices. The seat is shortened and dragged into the structure, so that the user is forced to step into the frame of the chair to sit. The whole chair is covered in fabric, making it feel as though its construction is a single unbroken form, from which the legs are dragged out. The chair is 'untypical' say StokkeAustad, and therein lies its considerable character.

Easy chair  
Foam, steel, textile  
[www.stokke austad.com](http://www.stokke austad.com)  
Location > Sweden  
In development



**Plus de Madam Rubens**  
**Frank Willems**  
Dutch

Pieces of discarded mattress are used for the plump seat of this chair. These are strapped to antique wooden frames and the whole object is covered with a foam coating. This chair has voluptuous qualities – hence the reference to Rubens's ladies.

Chair  
Latex, wood, foam coating  
[www.frankwillems.eu](http://www.frankwillems.eu)  
Location > the Netherlands  
Available to order