

FUNGI
COLLECTION



THE INTIMATE TRANSFORMATIVE WONDER OF NATURE HIDDEN IN THE WOOD

For the Fungi collection alcarol walked in the **Italian Dolomite forests** selecting **dead trees and abandoned logs with the native populations of fungi** that attack them during the final stages of their life cycle, and cut planks preserving their natural live edges. One of the outstanding effects of the early stages of wood decay is the **fungi texture inside the tree matter**: the fungal growth can create some of the most dramatic and beautiful **wood color changes composing regions of discoloration with intricate patterns of amazing dark lines**, that look like free-form art drawn with a calligraphy pen, adding a new dimension to the woodgrain. These zone lines are **pigment demarcations constructed by the fungal colonies to protect their territories** from potential competitor fungi.

Wood decay fungi is always unique. No two pieces are exactly the same because there's a precise time, place and environmental conditions for their genesis.

alcarol's main action is sectioning, so only when the saw has finished its work, our eyes can see the hidden world of nature, sometimes simply amazing. The section planes – through touch, sight and smell – allow you to transcend the ordinary perception of a place, discovering the intimate transformative wonder of nature.

alcarol employs an experimental processes preserving the raw material exactly as it appears in his original habitat by capturing the fungal metamorphic instant, thus **freezing time at the end of the tree's life cycle** and giving it a new life before it goes to waste.

While the wood in section planes remains uncovered, the natural wood's live edges are frozen in a special extraclear resin, recalling the ice that blocks the fungal activity during the winter.

The transient beauty of Nature becomes eternal.

"In Nature nothing is lost, nothing is created, everything is transformed."

Antoine-Laurent de Lavoisier



FUNGI _ Table Limited Edition

2016

Dimensions:

90 x 275 H 75 cm

Customizable

Materials:

Beech Wood with Fungi Texture

Extraclear Resin

ICJ Invisible Corner Joining

Burnished Steel Leg



The Fungi Table is made of a single wide Beech wood plank with its natural Fungi texture composed of wood color changes, regions of discoloration and intricate patterns of amazing dark lines. The live edges are frozen in a transparent resin resembling the winter ice that blocks the fungal activity in its original habitat.



The new alcarol's invisible corner joining ensures the continuity of both material, without visible separations between horizontal and vertical planes, like a single bent piece.

The natural wood surface is not covered by resin on the section planes, so you can touch its warm organic vibrancy.

FUNGI _ Dining Table

2016

Dimensions:
100 x 240 H 75 cm
Customizable

Materials:
Beech Wood with Fungi Texture
Extraclear Resin
Burnished Steel Legs



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FUNGI _ Console

2016

Dimensions:

53 x 155 H 185 cm

Customizable

Materials:

Beech Wood with Fungi Texture

Extractclear Resin

ICJ Invisible Corner Joining

Burnished Steel Leg



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FUNGI _ Stool / Side Table

2016

Dimensions:
30 x 30 H 45 cm
Customizable

Materials:
Beech Wood with Fungi Texture
Extraclear Resin,
Felt on the bottom



The Fungi Stool is made of Beech wood with its native mushrooms and Fungi texture. The live edges are frozen in a transparent resin resembling the winter ice that blocks the fungal activity in its original habitat.



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FUNGI _ Screen

2016

Dimensions:

165 H 220 cm

Customizable

Materials:

Beech Wood with Fungi Texture

Extraclear Resin

Burnished Brass Hinges



The Fungi Screen is made of four Beech wood planks with their natural Fungi texture composed of wood color changes, regions of discoloration and intricate patterns of amazing dark lines. The live edges are frozen in a transparent resin resembling the winter ice that blocks the fungal activity. The natural wood surface is not covered by resin on the section planes, so you can touch its warm organic vibrancy.



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