

From $180

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Overview

A narrow task lamp for the corner where a desk meets a wall. The shade is a slim closed cylinder with a brass hinge collar, so light falls on the paper and not into the room. The counterweight is cast iron; the arm is 8 mm brass tube, bent on a jig and left unlacquered.

A NOTE ON THE LIGHT

The shade is a closed cylinder with a slot facing down, so the light lands on the desk rather than spreading across the room. With a 2700 K bulb it reads as a warm patch about two feet across at normal desk height — enough to read by, not enough to light the room.

WHERE IT GOES

Made to order in the workshop on Howard Street. Two to three weeks, longer in December. If you need it by a date, say so in the note and we will tell you honestly whether it is possible.

WHAT IT IS NOT

It does not tilt beyond the hinge collar, there is no dimmer, and it is not wireless. The cord is the power, and the switch is on the cord.



Specifications

Height	14 in / 356 mm
Reach	11 in / 279 mm
Base diameter	6.5 in / 165 mm, cast iron
Shade	Powder-coated steel, semi-gloss
Arm	Unlacquered brass tube, 8 mm OD
Socket	E26, UL listed
Bulb	40 W equivalent LED, 2700 K
Cord	6 ft, cloth-covered, inline switch
Finishes	Chalk, ochre, slate
Weight	5.2 lb / 2.4 kg
Lead time	Two to three weeks, made to order

TOLERANCE

Hand bending is not machining. Reach varies by up to 5 mm between units and the shade may sit a degree or two off vertical. If a lamp is going into a built-in or a tight corner, tell us the dimension and we will check the finished lamp against it before it ships.

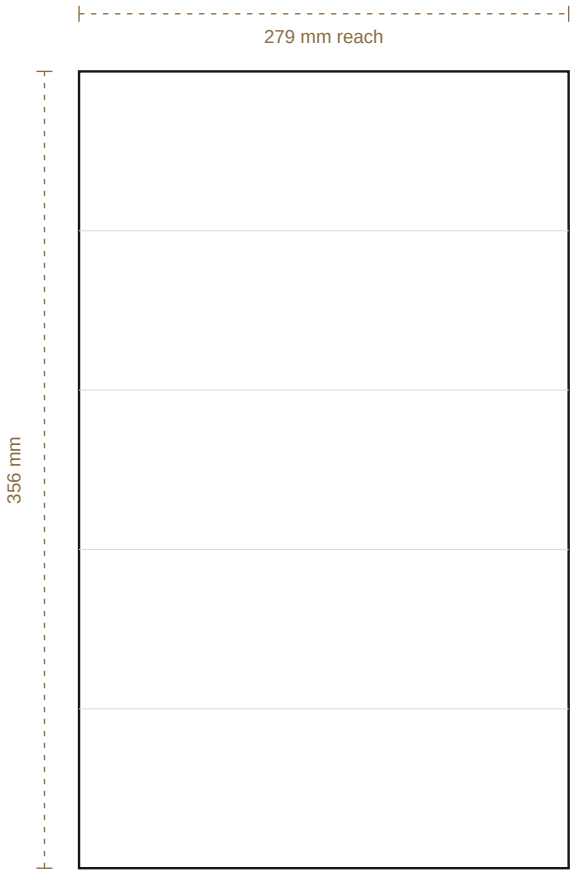
FINISH

Powder coat is matched by eye, not by number. Two lamps a year apart will be close but not identical. Brass starts the same on every lamp and diverges from there, which is the point.



Dimensions

Overall envelope, front elevation. All dimensions in millimetres unless a second figure is given in inches.



FRONT ELEVATION

NOTES

- Dimensions are nominal. Each lamp is bent by hand on the same jig, so reach varies by a few millimetres.
- The counterweight is sized for the full forward throw of the arm. Pushing the shade past the stop will tip the base.
- Cord exits at the base, not the shade. Plan the outlet on the same side as the counterweight.
- Not rated for wet locations.



North, photographed on the bench. November, mid-afternoon, north window.

Materials & finish

WHAT IT IS MADE OF

Steel is cut and bent in the shop. Brass is bought as tube and left unfinished. Shades are formed by hand over a wooden buck. Nothing is plated, sealed, or treated to stay the colour it was on the day it left.

HOW IT AGES

Brass goes from bright yellow to a dull brown over one to two years. Handling speeds this up. We do not lacquer it, because lacquer fails in patches and looks worse than an even patina.

Powder coat is semi-gloss and does not yellow. It will chip if struck; a chipped edge is bare steel and will rust slowly in a damp room.

White oak is finished with hardwax oil only. It will take on a warm cast and darken slightly where hands rest.

Electrical & bulb

SOCKET AND CORD

Sockets and cord sets are UL listed, bought from a supplier in Portland. We do not build our own electrical parts and we do not modify the cord set beyond shortening it.

Socket	E26 medium base, UL listed
Rating	120 V, 60 Hz, 75 W maximum
Cord	SJT 18/2, cloth covered
Plug	Polarised, two-prong

BULB

A 40 W equivalent LED at 2700 K is what we ship with. Higher wattage will discolour the shade from the inside and is not covered.

The lamp is not rated for wet locations. Do not use it outdoors, in a bathroom, or anywhere it can be splashed.

Packing & shipping

HOW IT SHIPS

Carton	16 × 12 × 10 in, double wall
Gross weight	6.8 lb / 3.1 kg
Packing	Moulded pulp end caps, shade wrapped in tissue
Carrier	USPS Priority or UPS Ground

WHAT CAN GO WRONG

Shades are the fragile part. If a carton arrives crushed, photograph it before opening and write to us — we replace shades rather than whole lamps, and we do not ask for the old one back.

We do not ship outside the United States. If you are elsewhere and want to arrange your own freight forwarder, write first and we will pack to a pallet.