

## Satellite, an easy chair by Richard Hutten



RICHARD HUTTEN

Richard Hutten is an internationally renowned Dutch designer with a degree in Industrial Design from the Design Academy in Eindhoven. Hutten is an important part of a highly influential generation of designers that emerged in Holland during the 1990s and onwards. In 1991 Hutten started his own design studio, working on a variety of projects with furniture, product, interior and exhibition design. Hutten is known for his subtle and playful approach to design which he is known to have captured in the coin phrase "No Sign of Design".

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**Following a brief from Offecct, internationally acclaimed Dutch designer Richard Hutten set out to design an easy chair for activity based spaces. The result is Satellite, a spinning easy chair for a digital lifestyle with high comfort and round playful features.**

– Architects always draw circles very fast to indicate where to position chairs on their floor plans. I thought that was a nice gesture so I drew a circle and said that it should be the top view of the chair. To me the circle is the most elegant form, there are no bulky sides and it can go in all directions which means it's never out of place, says Richard Hutten.

Satellite marks the third successful collaboration between Offecct and Richard Hutten, and intense technical elaborations has led to a highly innovative easy chair that is sure to enable focused work and creative meetings. Satellite sits on three legs with a side table attached which can orbit around the seating 180 degrees, making it fit for left handed as well as right handed persons. The size and use of material has been scaled back without compromising the comfort and functionality of the easy chair.

– We did a big research of the size, it should look inviting, comfortable and generous, but at the same time light, compact and flexible to move around and that is a contradiction. How big is big enough and how small can we go to be on the exact point to have these qualities? But we succeeded! continues Richard Hutten.

Richard Hutten is also the designer behind Offecct's smallest object in 2015, a USB stick in limited edition to the press.

– I have a key ring which I have carried with me since 1976, with a round object on it which immediately makes it recognizable. That was the idea of this design. A USB stick is useful and I always carry one with me, so I made the shape of this USB round and oval, almost like a gem which not only will make my key ring recognizable, but also nice to hold, concludes Richard Hutten.

