

Coffee Table, Sofa Table, John Piper, London Skyline, Myer, Heals, Conran

Sold

John Piper CH



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Height: 35 cm (13.8") Width: 114 cm (44.9")

Depth: 38 cm (15")

## Description

The main feature of this highly decorative low sofa/coffee table is the London Skyline picture by John Piper, one of the leading artists in the UK abstract painting movement inspired by the work of Paris-based painters. Few pieces of furniture incorporate fine art and achieve a high aesthetic which give this table gravitas. This is combined with practicality as the narrow, long scale of this table is fit for purpose and as are the laminated top and the shelf.

The formica top features a color composition by John Piper of St. Paul's, St Martin in the Fields and Lincoln's Inn, London. The powder coated, black metal frame is fitted with a black wooden shelf servicing as a magazine rack. Retailed by Heals Conran from the mid-1950s throughout the 1960s

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John Piper Piper became a leading member of the 7 & 5 Society in 1934 and in collaboration with Ben Nicholson, Barbara Hepworth and Henry Moore effectively transformed this traditional group into the modernist referent in Britain. Piper also co-published the magazine AXIS that sought to promote abstract art in the UK. From the 1940s however Piper increasingly found abstraction to be 'a luxury' and returned to figuration in the tradition of those he himself labelled as 'British Romantic Artists' that included Henry Fuseli, William Blake and Piper's contemporaries such as Graham Sutherland and Paul Nash.