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Metal Furniture

Lambert wanted the old, hand-forged and unadorned iron, inspired by the old tables and chairs you can see in southern France.

They almost show signs of rust that refuse to be checked by paint and red lead.

Rust is a natural characteristic of iron. It produces its own special hues which harmonize with nature. Rusty iron has an attractive, mellow look which has an invigorating effect on its surroundings.

The alternative in the collection is painted iron: A brilliant or semi-gloss black or a warm dark brown.

Lambert adopted these traditional colours because they have stood the test of time.

Workmanship

Lambert is one of only a few producers of iron furniture made of hand-forged solid iron (*Porthos*) and of interlaced hoop iron (*Napoleon*). Normally the chairs present a combination of stamped or bent iron parts in the back area and hoop iron or stamped sheet iron in the seat.



Regarding the modern *Industrie* line, the rust appeal of the frame tubes is even enhanced by a wax treatment and subsequently applied oil. The outcome is rust surfaces giving the collection a modern and urban accent.

The sheet steel furniture of the *Pittsburgh*-line is made of bright steel which is hot-rolled to give it a dark bluish-grey sheen.



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Care

Together with the garden fence, metal furniture should be freshened up about every ten years. Until today this has proved to be the best form of maintenance: even the most advanced paints are no match in the long run for strong sun and moisture. This is why metal furniture is only moderately suited for permanent outdoor use. It does not necessarily dislike short rain showers, but they should be wiped dry afterwards in order to avoid corrosion. Apart from that, metal furniture should be protected against the elements by all means and be kept in a dry place during the wintertime.

For regular care, you have nothing to do but wipe them with a (not too) damp cloth.

The lustrous shine of the rusted frames presented by the Industrie line is best maintained by the occasional application of floor polish.

The slight oily film should be removed from the metal surface after delivery; it protects the furniture during storage. Care should also be taken that the furniture is not exposed to a humid environment, wiped with a moist cloth or scratched. If rust occurs, the affected area can be sanded down and then treated with oil or wax.

If, however, in spite of utmost care and regular treatment there should occur unwanted signs of rust, you can remove them with the help of a repair lacquer available from Lambert.