

Child's rocking chair

Furniture Collection

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Manufacturer: Gebrüder Thonet Furniture Factory

Date of production: ca. 1880

Materials: beechwood

Techniques: bent; caned

Dimensions:
height: 67 cm
width: 33 cm
depth: 34 cm

Austrian bentwood furniture manufacturer Thonet introduced pieces for children as early as the 1860s. Some of these were designed specifically for young children, such as wheeled tables and chairs or high chairs, but most were scaled-down versions of 'adult models.' Thonet's rocking chairs became a real success, with children's versions appearing in product catalogues as early as the late 1870s and being produced in almost unchanged form for many decades. This piece at the Museum of Applied Arts Budapest, which has a cane seat and backrest, was made around 1880.

