Active Furniture

Team Green October 16, 2008 Mock-up Review



Espresso Table



Introduction

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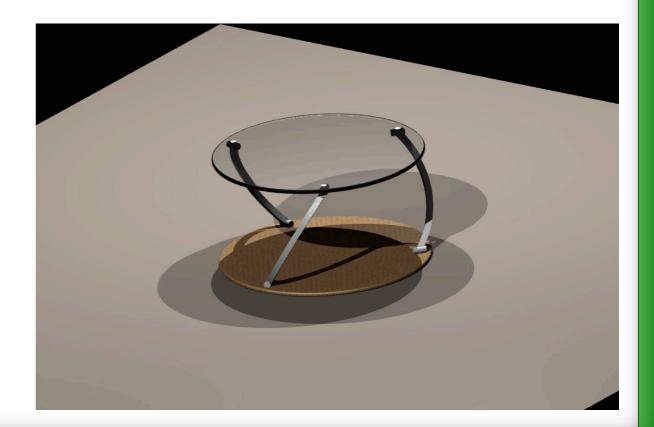
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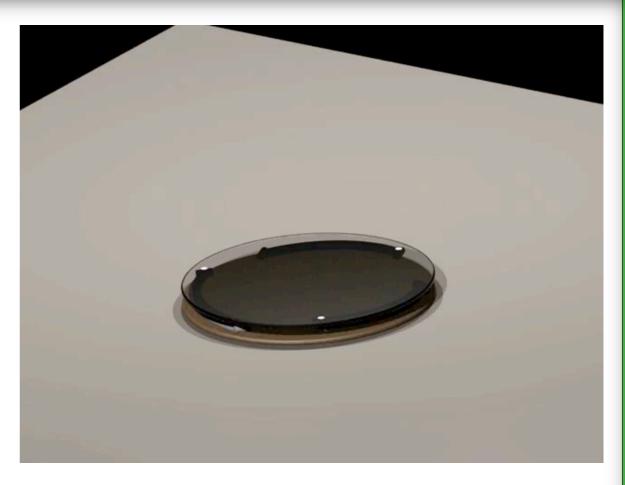
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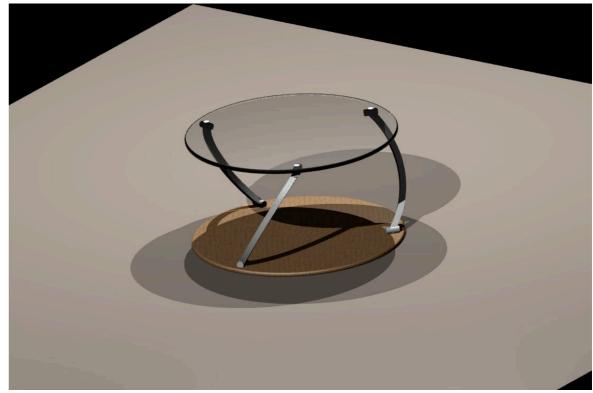
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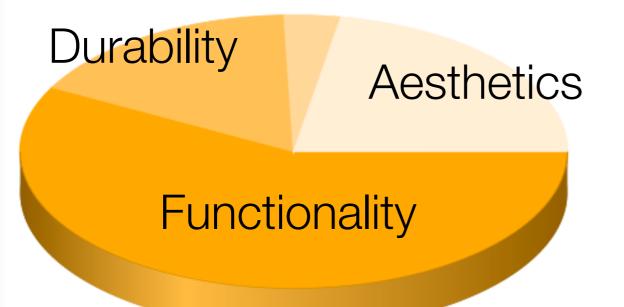
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Market Survey: User Needs

In furniture they prefer...



They replace furniture every...

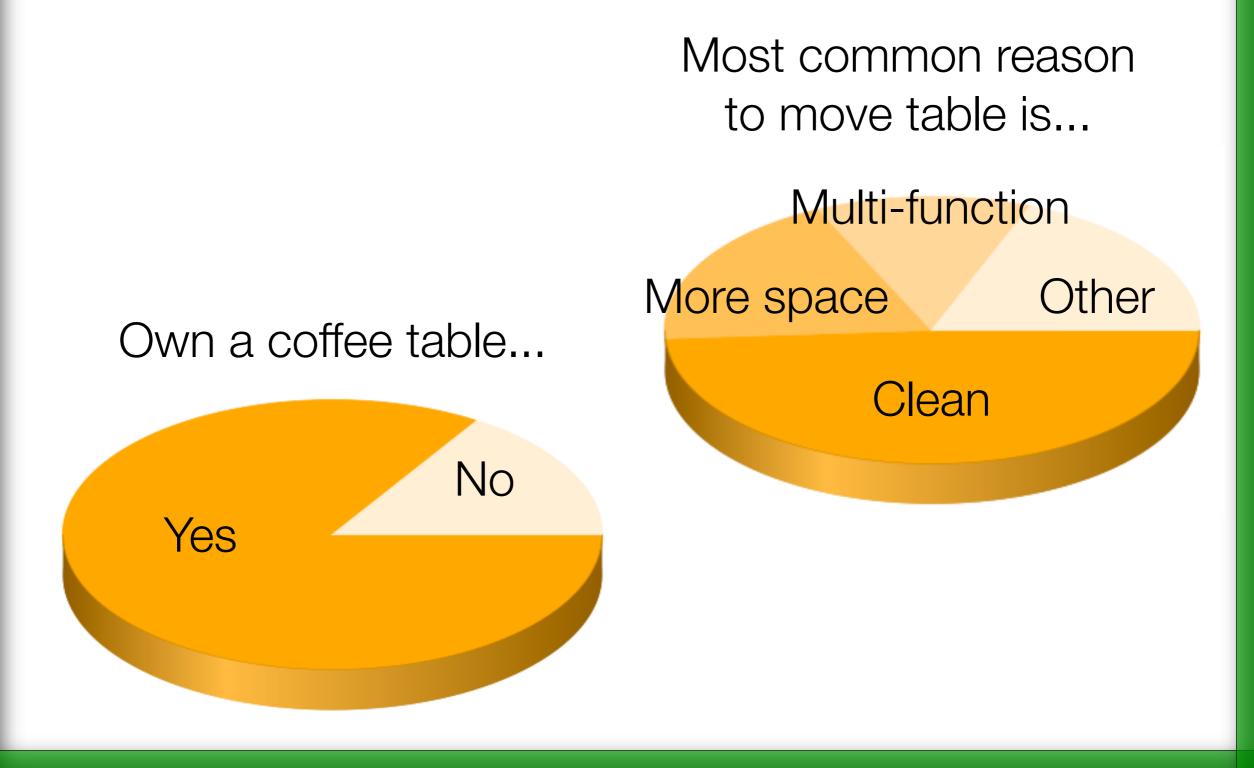
1 year

1-5 years

5-10 years

Note: 93 people surveyed 77% over the age of 35

Market Survey: User Needs



Market: Existing Products

Collapsible, variable height, modular





Market: Target

Consumer Base





Market Niche (model: West Elm)





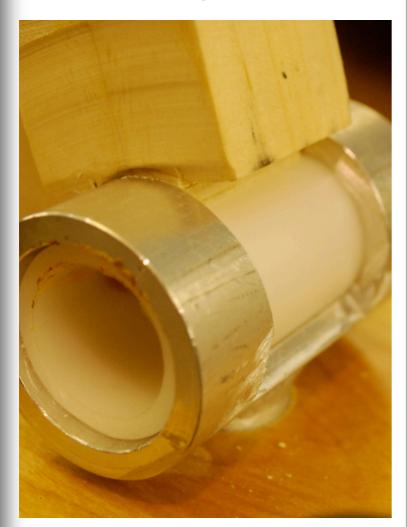
Preliminary Contract

Customer Needs	Product Attributes
User can raise and lower table without assistance	Actuation force of hinge mechanism Average user time to raise and lower table Grasp points for lifting Stability Freefall speed of tabletop
Has sufficient usable table space	Surface area
Is durable under repeated use	Number of times product can be opened and closed in product lifetime
Fit design aesthetic of intended user's home	User Acceptance
Safe to operate and use	Low number of pinch points Maximum falling force Load capacity
Can be easily stored by customer	Geometry Size of table Typical user storage area Work required to move table Low weight

Critical Design Issues - Hinge

- Strength
- Damping
- Form
- Manufacturing
- Constraints

Pipe



Ball n Socket



Caster



Hinge Designs

See you soon!