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### Dark Edge

Unique properties: This versatile geometric piece can be fashioned in more than a dozen shapes, as a table, stool or shelf.

With its triangular top, this piece can be flipped, rotated, changed or puzzled into many different scenarios, following the mood and taste of the user. Made from Steel, with quarter-matt black black finishing.

The edges are soft and defined, and the sides become darker with every fold.

### Tarek ElKassouf

Tarek ElKassouf is a Lebanese designer based between Beirut and Sydney who creates in three disciplines: Architecture, Urban Planning and Product/Furniture Design. His work is inspired by

Middle Eastern geometric patterns and is often spliced with futuristic parametric design.

Tarek has been working as an Architect and Urban Planner since 2005; on projects that range from designing landmarks to developing cities in Lebanon and across the MENA region. He has received many awards in international competitions in both fields.

He began refining his third passion, furniture design in 2014 with the launch of 'The Edge' series of furniture and lighting. His inaugural designs take a cue from the city of Beirut - a city always on the edge of instability, chaos and creativity.

'The Edge' is inspired by the designer's home-city, Beirut. It is an interpretation of a city that is vulnerable yet resilient and adaptable. This series tries to capture the essence of a city living on the edge through the contradiction of solid yet malleable steel designs.

Tarek was awarded the Silver A' Design Award in the Young Design Category for The Edge - Beirut in 2015. Two of his works from the series, The Twisted Diamond Lamp and The Dark Edge Table were also awarded a Bronze A' Design Award and an A' Design Award respectively.

The WilderCoyle workshop, showroom and studio is currently located in the coastal town of Pambula, southern NSW. We moved here from Melbourne 5 years ago to follow our dream of building the House of Cupboards a flat pack sustainable low cost house prototype and to be closer to nature and closer to supplies of beautiful native hardwoods.

The House of Cupboards won awards Nationally in 2014 at The Australian Timber design Awards, Including Best Small Budget Project and Best Use of Australian certified timber.

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