

Akari / Noguchi Floor Model BB3 | X3

Akari Light Sculptures by Isamu Noguchi are considered icons of 1950s modern design. Designed by Noguchi beginning in 1951 and handmade for a half century by the original manufacturer in Gifu, Japan, the paper lanterns are a harmonious blend of Japanese handcraft and modernist form.

The stand has a bamboo pole and a black cast iron base. The shade is made from handmade washi paper and bamboo ribbing.

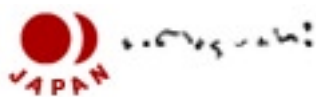
Overall Dimensions: 18" x 66"

Bulb: Accommodates up to a 75 watt bulb (not included)

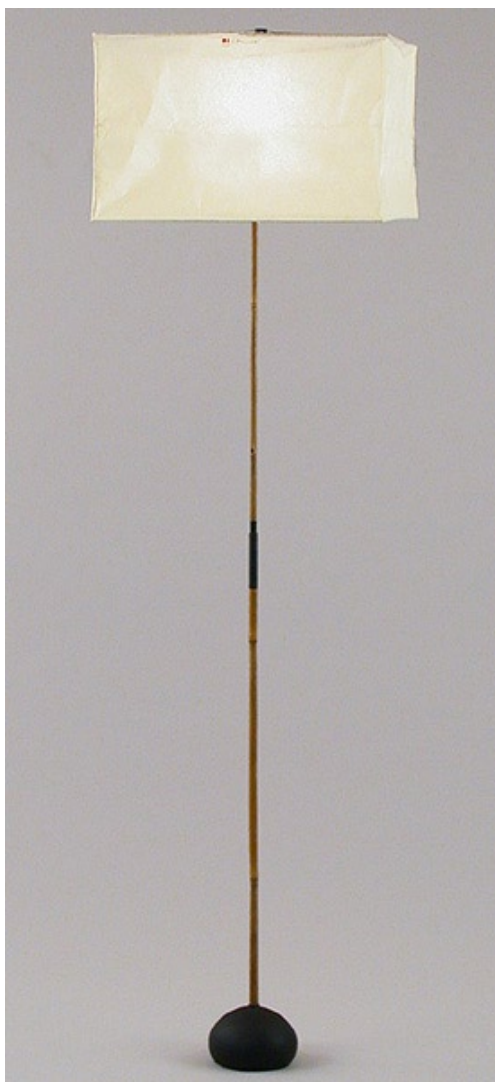
Designer: Isamu Noguchi

Recognizing an Original

A genuine Akari model will have a stamped red sun and half moon with Japan written under the symbol on the shade. Next to the symbol will be the signature I. Noguchi.



The lamps age gracefully due to the quality of the paper.



Models BB1, BB2, BB3 stands

All "BB" Stands come with black cast iron base, bamboo pole, harp, socket, and extension rod for specific models. Different shades use different extension rods, which determine final height.

1. Unwrap all parts. Carefully remove stand from packing material.
2. BB3 should be placed on floor so that bamboo sections are aligned with each other. Pull electrical cord from inside cast iron base so that small bamboo section slides into larger bamboo section. Push extra cord into bottom of base.
3. All bamboo stands should come with a threaded extension rod designed for the particular shade ordered. The lengths are 2", 6", 9", 12".
4. The extension rod should be screwed into the top of the harp.
5. Screw one of the threaded washers onto threaded extension rod, leaving approx. 1/2 inch of room.
6. Attach shade by sliding over harp & extension rod. Some shades will have a crossbar at bottom of shade. This is attached by sliding the crossbar around the bamboo pole between the rubber o-rings. This allows you to adjust the amount the shade is stretched out. Other models only have the top crossbar; this attaches at the top of the extension rod.
7. Secure top crossbar by screwing second threaded washer onto extension rod.

Helpful hints:

Keep stand away from strong wind, high heat, or moisture. When moving stand, pick up stand from the cast iron base, not by the bamboo alone.

Lamp Wattage:

Maximum: 75 watts

Recommended: 75 watts

