

# Herman Miller Recognized as a Conservation Champion with Forest Stewardship Council Leadership Award

*Global furniture manufacturer an industry leader in promoting responsible forestry*

## Highlights

- Herman Miller among select group of businesses to receive Forest Stewardship Council Leadership Award
- Global furniture manufacturer an industry leader with extensive history promoting responsible forestry
- Herman Miller committed to continue expanding its list of FSC-certified products

Herman Miller, Inc. received the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Leadership Award for its longstanding commitment to manufacturing with wood sourced from responsibly managed forests. The Zeeland, Mich.-based furniture manufacturer is among a select group of businesses dedicated to reducing environmental impacts by protecting against deforestation and forest degradation.

“We’re seeing increasing customer demand for products carrying the FSC claim, so we continue to challenge our suppliers and expand our list of FSC-certified products,” said Gabe Wing, Herman Miller’s Director of Safety and Sustainability. “Herman Miller has been a good steward of the environment since the 1950s, and championing responsible forestry practices is one more way we incorporate sustainability into our business operations.”

Herman Miller began its association with the Forest Stewardship Council in 2007, at which time customers had the option to request FSC-certified materials in their wood products. In 2009, FSC-certified laminate products became available upon request through Herman Miller Options, and the company later expanded its FSC-certified product offerings to include metal storage products with wood components. By 2013, many of Herman Miller’s standard products were FSC-certified.

The second annual FSC Leadership Awards reception took place on November 18 at the Greenbuild International Conference and Expo in Washington D.C. The event recognizes companies and individuals who demonstrate excellence in the use of FSC-certified products and the commitment to responsible forest management. The Forest Stewardship Council’s mission is to promote environmentally sound, socially beneficial, and economically prosperous management of the world’s forests. Deforestation and forest degradation cause more carbon emissions than the entire transportation sector globally.

For more information on Herman Miller’s commitment to FSC Certification and current list of FSC-certified products, visit our [Certified Wood](#) page.

**About Herman Miller, Inc.**

Herman Miller is a globally recognized provider of furnishings and related technologies and services. Headquartered in West Michigan, the global company has relied on innovative design for over 100 years to solve problems for people wherever they work, live, learn, and heal. Herman Miller's designs are part of museum collections worldwide, and the company is a past recipient of the Smithsonian Institution's Cooper Hewitt National Design Award. Known and respected for its leadership in corporate social responsibility, Herman Miller has been included in the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index for the past 12 years, and has earned the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's top rating in its Corporate Equality Index for the past nine years. In fiscal 2014-15, the company generated \$2.14 billion in revenue and employed over 7,000 people worldwide. Herman Miller trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol MLHR.


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