



# Design icon

Designed by Richard Sapper for Artemide, the Tizio desk lamp fuses precision German engineering with sleek Italian design

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**W**ith its tilting head and adjustable counterbalanced arms that allow for precise positioning of the light source, Richard Sapper's Tizio desk lamp for Artemide, first introduced in 1972, has been the recipient of countless awards. Its continuing success, however, does not rest on stylistic grounds alone. Tizio features a transformer located in its base that powers a halogen lamp through rods and press button joints, which carry electrical current without the need for cables. Developed over the years to incorporate various size and colour options, the standard Tizio desk lamp is available at The Conran Shop for £250, while the LED version is £364.

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