



STERLING SILVER SCULPTURAL VESSEL BY MARCO ZANINI FOR PAMPALONI, ITALY

\$9,500

A striking example of postmodern design, this sculptural sterling silver vessel was created by Marco Zanini and expertly fabricated by the esteemed Italian silversmith Pampaloni. Designed in the 1980s during the height of the Memphis Group movement—of which Zanini was a founding member—this piece captures the group's radical approach to form, proportion, and visual expression.

Crafted entirely in sterling silver, the vessel features a sharply inclined square top with a recessed center that evokes a sense of depth and spatial intrigue. The crisp geometry and mirror-polished finish amplify light and reflection, creating dynamic visual shifts depending on the angle of view. The base is broad and grounded, providing a clean counterpoint to the angled form above. Footprint of the base is 12" x 10.25".

Zanini's design transcends traditional notions of utility, blurring the line between sculpture and function. The collaboration with Pampaloni adds a layer of craftsmanship and material excellence rarely seen in avant-garde design. Both decorative and collectible, this piece is a rare find for enthusiasts of Italian design, contemporary silver, or Memphis-era aesthetics.

Stamped and in excellent condition, this vessel is a standout work from one of the most daring design movements of the 20th century—offering timeless impact and unmistakable style.

1980s

Dimensions

Height: 9.5"

Width: 12"

Depth: 12"

Materials

Steeling

Silver

