

HOLLOW illuminates society's involvement with forests. It is a lamp made from a hollow tree, caused by wood-decay fungus. HOLLOW is an experimental design concept that makes use of practically worthless dead wood. HOLLOW has not only a unique design, but also something important to say. It aims to explore the social and ecological approach to forests, to spread awareness, and to prompt reflection on the place of humanity in the ecosystem.

HOLLOW is an open-source design, made with craft techniques, which can be locally produced. This aspect of social sustainability connects to not only the human yearning for creativity, but to also engage communities in the creation of HOLLOW.

Material:

Spruce

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Daniel Byström, Design Nation, Sweden daniel@designnation.se +46 (0)739 13 38 95 **HOLLOW** is an outcome from the Designers & Forests project in Utah, USA. The forests in this region are affected by beetle kill and aspen die-off. In summer 2013, members of Designers and Forests explored and experienced the region, with the intention of finding new ways of looking at the problems of stressed forests. The project linked designers from Sweden, New York and Iceland with foresters, activists, designers, artisans, and community members in Utah.

Design Nation has contributed in facilitating workshops and leading the process, as well as creating design concepts with the aim to find new solutions, bring attention and communicate. Designers & Forests is an initiative to help revitalize forests and foster healthier communities by taking a holistic view of both natural ecosystems and the design process. Forests provide many benefits and services to society. Climate influences the structure and function of forest ecosystems and plays an essential role in forest health. A changing climate may worsen many of the threats to forests, such as pest outbreaks, fires, human development, and drought.

Through an interdisciplinary and creative approach, Designers & Forests aims to share knowledge and engage communities in sustainable forest management and regional development.



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