

## Quality Furniture for Less

Moving into a new apartment or home today is a difficult and expensive process. After the stress of a housing search, cleaning a new space, and unpacking boxes, it's difficult to find the time and resources to furnish a new home. Worse yet, many affordable furniture options from big retailers are constructed of increasingly flimsy, low-quality materials and often require replacement within the first few years. Your grandparents turned out to be right when they said, "Things just aren't built like they used to be."

Luckily quality options from years past are still available at Michaan's Annex Auctions. Every month, we sell hundreds of gently used furniture pieces, each featuring a unique and

beautifully crafted design that will last decades longer than the modern alternative. Better yet, gently used furniture from Michaan's Auctions regularly sells at much lower prices than in-store options.

In this series, we will highlight a few examples of furniture and other home goods recently sold at Michaan's Annex Auction and compare them with their supposed equivalent from a retailer such as IKEA, Wayfair, and Target.



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## Annex Highlights

The first item on offer from Michaan's Auctions December Annex Sale is a **Contemporary Table, Hanstone Aurora Snow Top**, which sold for \$26 as Lot 880. This table, in contrast to options from big retailers, is constructed from a thick, durable metal frame that will stand years of abuse, and features a beautiful quartz top, which offers a subtle blend of white tones and a stunning glossy finish. The table is of significant height, perfect for a standing desk or kitchen island and is sized to fit perfectly within a range of rooms.

Another point of difference from the



options of international brands, the table is pre-assembled and ready to use.

Next up from the December Annex Sale, Lot 897, a **Metal Console Table** which sold for \$26. The metal framed console table features a weightless design, which will catch the attention of guests and residents alike, and far outshines the bland items on offer from retail stores. Despite this elegant, uplifted design, the table is sufficiently sturdy to serve any number of purposes in the home, including as a console or coffee table. This table represents one of the primary advantages of shopping at Michaan's Auctions, our Annex sales offer unique, quality furniture pieces at significantly lower prices than uninspiring options from chain stores such as IKEA or Wayfair.

Selling for only \$6.50 as Lot 1620 in Michaan's Auctions December Annex

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Sale, an **Art Deco Style Ebonized Sofa Chair** was an excellent value purchase by one of our bidders. The chair features quality, full wood construction, and a level of design absent in chairs selling for well over \$50 from retail brands. The ebonized wood frame is designed with elegance and ergonomics in mind and features smart details such as the backrest's in-laid cushion. The seat's cushion is in excellent shape, and while there are a few marks on the surface of the chair's frame, overall, the item is in great condition. If you're looking for a unique design, items such as this chair regularly feature at Michaan's Auctions Annex Sales.

### **Next Sale**

As you can see, Michaan's Auctions Annex Sales can offer a higher quality item for a lower price than major retailers. Registration and bidding are



intuitive processes and can be done 100% online! You don't even need to watch the auction, simply submit an absentee or online bid, and check back at the end of the sale to see if you've won the item.

The January Annex Auction is being held Monday, January 15th; Tuesday, January 16th; and Wednesday, January 17th. This venue gives collectors a wide variety of jewelry, fine art, decorative arts, furniture, Asian art, stamps, and coins to choose from. The

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