

## Horse Buggy

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*Amidst the fog, the sound of the plunging hoofs on the cobbled path echoed.  
The silence of the sleepy night surged backward.  
Awakening the street from its deep slumber.  
'It's a hansom', whispered someone.  
The curious lot peeped out of their windowsill.  
It was strange, as they failed to comprehend what they saw  
As the fog lifted for a few seconds, it revealed the carriage, supported by a massive balloon,  
And being driven by a droid.  
Whipping the leather rein in its hand  
It swiftly went past the puzzled eyes.  
And suddenly a voice says out loud,  
'Hyah!'  
At lightning speed, the horsebuggy  
Sweeps into the air, vanishing into the thick fog,  
Leaving behind bewildered faces and some gasps!*

This table lamp is Absynthe's latest unique creation.

Raising the mystery, the wooden carriage is seen to be adorned with brass panels and antique gear works. Once the tiny latch on the door opens and one sees past the brass frames, the 'Absynthe' green velvet couch gives a royal look. The carriage is driven by a brass robot with copper detailing. The intricate design of gear works on the leather bridle and bit collar are created with utmost care and perfection. This 'Hansom cab' ditches the traditional wheels, and instead is supported with a massive balloon which creates a memorable experience.

'Absynthe' is known for designs which can be called 'one of its kind'. Keeping true to the phrase, each element is handcrafted from scratch. Right from collecting the various parts that goes into making the piece to the final product is a journey to remember. The best part of the product is that each element is made from recycled old materials. The wooden base is carved from old furniture while the magnificent horses which were initially used as toys, became an integral part of the whole piece. The leather used for the bridle and bit collar came from spare leather pieces meant to be thrown away. Adding a vintage touch to it comes the gears that are added for finishing the look are all collected from antique watches. The brass and copper make an integral part of the design and are all derived from recycled metals.

Diving deep into what goes behind such an artwork one could easily identify the dedication and hard work that went into it. Hours of brainstorming with sketches are the initial steps that the artists took before embarking on the journey to create the horse buggy. The precision of the hand-sculpted parts are

a sight to behold. The metal used in various parts is carefully smithed. The robot driving the cab grabs attention with its realistic metal work which resonates with vintage time it represents. Each tiny part of the gears are meticulously arranged to create a sophisticated look. The magnificent horses which would otherwise be considered as of current times, are adorned with leatherworks and vintage detailing to give out a sense of the past. It is noteworthy that the carriage is without the support of any wheels, unlike its more conventional counterpart. Instead, it is suspended with the help of an Edison bulb which plays the role of a balloon, thus looking like it is challenging the basic rules of physics. Interesting, right? What's even more fascinating is the effort taken by the team to add details, like the green velvet couch inside the already restricted surface area of the carriage. What was mandatory to achieve this was the exact measurement of this mini couch that would fit in without jeopardizing the other parts of the buggy. A true masterpiece that will elevate the style of any workstation.

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