

Turtle Product Catalogue



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For over 25 years Turtle has been used by museums across the globe for the safe transportation of valuable artworks. Through years of innovation, Turtle has been developed to an unrivaled level. The protection that Turtle provides against even the smallest variations in relative humidity and temperature is unequaled, and the customized internal technology of Turtle results in an unsurpassed absorption of both shock and vibration. Turtle is now available worldwide through our partners.

Turtle offers a range of products, designed to meet the specific requirements that every artwork and transport entails.



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Turtle uNLtd 🕅

Turtle is the safe, most innovative and sustainable museum crate in the world for the transportation of valuable artworks. The Turtle, a climate crate with unique properties, was originally developed in 1994 and is the result of extensive testing and development. Turtle meets all contemporary demands of art transportation and is user-friendly. It is also the most sustainable crate available on the market today. Turtles are available in range of sizes.



- Made of composite material
- All separate parts can be replaced easily
- Durable and recyclable shoulder blocks
- Maximum height of 159 cm (62 in) for lower deck transportation
- of damage
- Can be packed in an upright position

Unique inner elements of the Turtle

- Standard 4 corner blocks included
- Velcro rear wall, flexible play area
- Multiple works can be placed in a Turtle

Climate management

- With a temperature difference outside the crate of 10°C, it takes more than 48 before the inside climate is leveled
- Humidity is regulated by the birchwood plate behind the Velcro

Vibration reduction

- The outer shell is made of a stiff composite material which reduces vibration
- The birchwood plate is held in place by the surrounding foam to pass on fewer vibrations
- The total weight of the Turtle is 115 kg/254 lbs • Rubber shoulders are fixed on the outer shell • The lid is closed with butterfly locks to avoid the use of screws and tools

Sustainability

- The current Turtle model has a lifespan of more than 25 years • After 30 years Turtles are refurbished to remain in use, providing secure
- transit for at least another 20 years
- If a Turtle is rented out only five times in a year, it has already saved two trees





Unique outer aspects of the Turtle

- No forklift holes, this leaves more space in the Turtle and reduces the risk



Turtle uNLtd Sizes

	Maximum artwork size (cm/inches)			
Туре	Height	Width	Depth adjustable corner block	Depth non-adjustable corner block
Turtle uNLtd 125 Turtle uNLtd 160	87/34,3 118/46	88/34,7 119/46,4	11/4,3 11/4,3	17/6,5 17/6,5
	Outside size (cm/inches)			
Туре	Height	Width	Depth	Weight









The Advanced Corner Block $\begin{bmatrix} T \\ I \end{bmatrix}$

The advanced Turtle corner block T+ is especially designed to transport a wide range of paintings with optimal vibration reduction and shock absorption in the Turtle uNLtd.

- Custom wire rope isolators (wri) are used for shock and vibration management; the exact position, number and thickness are key in the performance
- The 'cover plate' is used to fixate the painting towards the back plate of the Turtle
- The L-profiles are rigid aluminum, which provides a solid base for the wri
- The T+ is a right, left and side block
- The pads are made of durable rubber
- The blocks stay in place using high-quality Velcro
- The weight of the painting determines the number of T+ which are needed to achieve the most optimal result
- T+ is only used in the Turtle uNLtd because of the rigid composite outer shell



General Information

• Maximum dim. between blocks is 128 x 133 cm

- Minimum dim. between blocks is 29,5 x 29 cm
- Actual weight per block is 2,2kg
- Max. frame thickness is 11,5 cm

Vibration and shock performance

Please contact us for the full report of the most important test results.

- Turtle uNLtd including T+ reduces 100% more vibration than a doublewalled museum quality wooden crate and 60% more than the current corner blocks
- Turtle uNLtd including T+ absorbs 90% of shocks

Crate	Handling	Road transport	Air transport
Double-walled museum quality crate	50% (still amplifying)	25% (still amplifying)	6,5%
Turtle uNLtd with regular corner blocks	220%	130%	130%
Turtle uNLtd with T+ advanced corner blocks	415%	360%	265%

Table: Compared to a single walled wooden crate.









How wire rope isolators (wri) work

The wri need two rigid surfaces to which the fixation plates are attached. The vibration energy enters from the bottom surface and is led into the steel wires. The steel wire rope absorbs the vibrational energy and release the reduced vibration to the top surface.



Vibration energy input



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Climate Cabinet 🖇

The Turtle Climate Cabinet is especially designed to transport multiple artworks and 3D objects in one box, with optimum vibration management and a climatized environment. It was developed for the safe transportation of prints, drawings and pastels that need to travel flat.

- The artworks stay in place using corner blocks and Velcro
- The drawers are easily adjustable to specific heights
- The insulation of the Turtle Climate Cabinet is comparable to the insulation in Turtle uNLtd
- The Turtle Climate Cabinet now comes in three sizes
- The Turtle Climate Cabinet is equipped with wire rope isolators between the lower and upper frame, to optimize vibration and shock reduction
- Because of its wheels, the Turtle Climate Cabinet is easy to move. During transportation, the Turtle Climate Cabinet is supported by adjustable feet, making it stable on every surface
- The Turtle Climate Cabinet is sustainable, since the cart can be re-used in various ways

Note: Research reports are available.



General Information

	Model 1	Model 2	Model 3	
Dimension outside Dim. inside (between tracks)	89 cm L x 172 cm W x 169 cm H 44 cm L x 114 cm W	116 cm L x 172 cm W x 169 cm H 71 cm L x 119 cm W	135 cm L x 205 cm W x 169 cm H 91 cm L x 154 cm W	
Weight (empty) Weight (with trays)	410 kg 525 kg	460 kg 625 kg	555 kg 805 kg	
Number of trays	12			
Space between trays	4,7 cm			
Max. load of the tray	50 kg			
Corner blocks	Material: foam and Velcro. Dimensions: 2,5 cm L x 12 cm W x 3,8 cm H			
	Fixation via Velcro, Pieces per tray: 12			
Material	Birch wood plywood, Aluminium edges, 2 Steel frames with handle bars			
	Springs: Steel. Wheels: Polyurethane			
Springs	Wire rope isolators			
Wheels	Brakes and ball bearing. Colour: grey, 4 pieces per cabinet			

Vibration Performance

		Vibration Performance	Shock Performance
During handling	Vibration reduction at the rate of excitation	90 % avg.	92 % avg.
During truck transport	Background noise (Volvo VFH 420 Globetrotter Air Spring)	0.05 g avg.	0.04 g avg.
	Max. detected vibration amplitude	0.21 g avg.	0.7 g avg.
	Vibration reduction at the rate of excitation	74 % avg.	79 % avg.

Note: The listed reduction rates and amplitudes are measured at the most sensitive point of the crate. The mid points of the trays oscillate 50% less.







Flight Case 🏶

The Turtle Flight Case was developed for the safe transportation of musical instruments or other delicate objects and contains a new type of insulation which slowly adapts to the surrounding climate.

- Turtle Flight Case was developed for musical instruments
- Turtle Flight Case has insulation similar to Turtle uNLtd so the interior climate adapts slowly to the exterior
- Turtle Flight Case can come in any size
- Future developments: the creation of Turtle Flight Case for other 3D artefacts and more research on reducing vibration









Tip 'n Easy 🕀

The Tip 'n Easy has been designed to facilitate the art packing and unpacking process with the Turtle. It is used extensively by HIZKIA, and is available for sale.

- Avoids shock to the crate
- Brings the flat crate up to a convenient working height
- Reduces work load on art handlers
- Eliminates risk of damage to flooring by the crate

General Information

Material: Aluminium Coating: Powder coating Weight: 12 kg/26,5 lbs Size (cms/inches): Height 197 cm (76,83 in) x Width 78 cm (30,42 in) x Depth 71 (27,69 in)

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