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## Summary

The LLUM-i lamp post conjugates light and shadow with its cast stone form. It has a pyramid shape with a rectangular base that sits on the ground, angled towards the illuminated area. By day it looks like a sculpture, while by night, it paints the outlined spaces and paths with its reflected light. Its elegant design makes this human-scale post ideal for pedestrian zones, creating rhythmic sequences and emerging like a milestone on a larger scale when installed in groups. Bolt anchorage is used to secure LLUM-i to the pavement. Architects Albert Viaplana and Helio Piñón designed LLUM-i in 1988 in conjunction with Escofet as part of the A-E-I-O-U VOCABULARY Collection. A-E-I-O-U VOCABULARY Collection Starting with the vowel A, which symbolises the users who enjoy these items, architects Helio Piñón and Albert Viaplana have articulated the VOCABULARY collection, composed of TEST-E, LLUM-I, GAT-O and BANC-U. The hint embedded in the compound names implicitly contains the idea of creating a new vocabulary of components for the modern city. The authors explain that they are an expression of the individual response by each one to the same issue: the confrontation between the neutral gravity of fluid concrete and the potential tension when adapting to different purposes. Through its section, BANC-U expresses the way it contrasts the gravity of the base against the levity of the bench; the LLUM-I sits on the ground and grows with the flow of the artificial light until it definitively falls to the ground; GAT-O is perhaps the best expression of the struggle between these two opposite forces: a mass of stone emerges from the ground, curving like a cat's back in a defensive posture; and TEST-E narrows on the plan until it loses the sense of a dimension, marking the space like a small boat full of plants or flowers.

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Technical file

(1) Reinforced cast stone, Grey, Acid-etched and waterproofed. (2) Projectors model MX-70 Carandini Ip-55, Halogen lamp 70 W, Diffuser methacrylate (10mm). / Anchored with screws / 340 Kg



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