

# FLOS

## Parentesi, Black - Specification Sheet by Achille Castiglioni and Pio Manzu, 1971

Mounting	Ceiling Pendant
Lamp (Bulb) Description	1 x 120W BR-40 Medium Reflector Flood Incandescent (Not Included)
Environment	Indoor - Dry Location
Dimming	Dimmable
Finish	Black
Technical and Product Description	The Parentesi was born out of the collaboration between Achille Castiglioni and Pio Manzù in 1971.

The word "Parentesi" (Italian for "brackets" or "parenthesis") refers to the nickel-plated shaped tube on a ceiling to floor steel cable that is connected to the floor and ceiling and can reach up to 157". The tube allows the lamp head to move vertically along the cable. The head fixture is an injection-molded black elastomer that comes with a switch.

The Parentesi light provides direct lighting and is available in black, nickel or red.

### Inspiration behind the Design:

"Pio Manzù had the original idea for Parentesi. He thought up a fixed vertical boom and a cylindrical box with a slot for the light, which went up and down: you stopped it with a screw. He replaced the boom with a metal chord that, when bent creates friction and enables the lamp to be in position without requiring any screws." - Achille Castiglioni.

### Electrical

Voltage	120
Switching	Switch made of injection-molded black elastomer (UL-94 HB) housed in fixture head
IP Rating	IP20

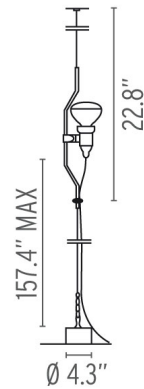
### Physical

Cord Length (inches)	157" - Black
Construction Material	Plastic and Steel
Weight	8 lbs



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### Dimensional Image



### Lamping (Bulb)



120W BR-40 Medium Reflector Flood  
Incandescent

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