

Making your garden beautiful







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Welcome to the Cotswolds' quality paving manufacturer

If you are looking for high quality paving products, true value for money, experienced advice and genuine customer service you are in the right place! Minster Paving is an independent family owned and run business with 35 years experience in the meticulous manufacture of high quality paving products and in helping home owners achieve the stunning patios of their dreams.

Our easy to follow laying guides and patterns help you to design your patio and we are always happy to provide you with straightforward, jargon free advice.

A commitment to quality runs throughout our business. All our products are made near Witney, only 12 miles from Oxford, using the finest materials, sourced as locally as possible, and with the latest technology to ensure maximum durability and an unsurpassed finish.

Unlike other paving specialists, our paving slabs can be bought individually or in packs and you can have as many or as little as you need.

Because we manufacture everything ourselves, we also have the flexibility to produce special orders and can produce pretty much everything in bespoke colours. So, if you can't see exactly what you are looking for, just ask. If we can, we will!

We have a full range of patio products and accessories from slabs to stepping stones, planters to feature walls, and have everything you need to transform your garden. So, whether you are dreaming of a garden retreat from a hectic lifestyle or a place to enjoy with family and friends, we are here to help!

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Minster Flagstone

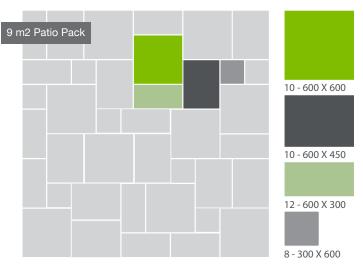
This is a classical range that creates a beautiful finish. The Minster Paving Flagstone range is named this way because it creates a look typical of the village Old Minster just half a mile down the road and has been cast from genuine reclaimed flagstones creating a charming antique appearance. With excellent detail in the subtle texturing, the choice of colours available as well as the larger sizes that can be used in this range, a truly authentic look is achieved.

Compliment this range















Old Minster



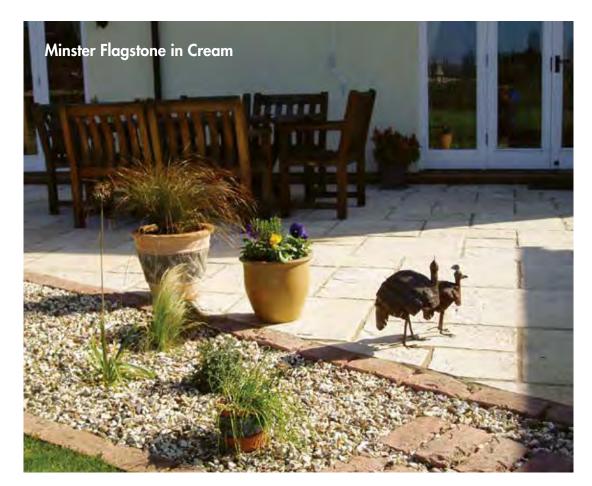
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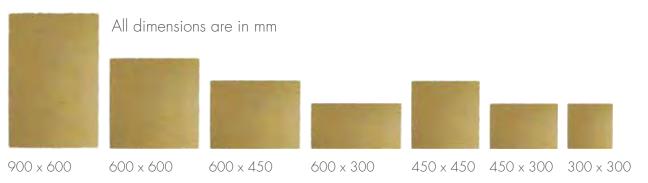
Cream



Slate Grey







Compliment this range

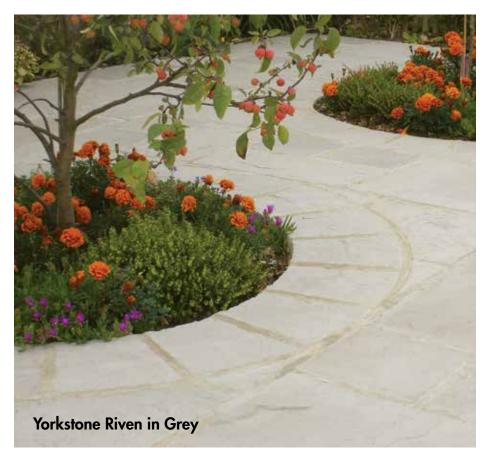
Creating an interesting focal point by using our Oxford circle, either as a standalone feature or squared off and incorporated as part of your patio.

Yorkstone Riven

Yorkstone Riven is an attractive and versatile slab that can suit a modern or cottage garden. With its characteristic texturing and its irregular edges this paving slab looks natural and authentic. Yorkstone Riven comes in a choice of four colours enabling you to choose your patio in a shade that suits the style of your garden. For the creation of a truly unique space we also have a number of features that will compliment the range leaving you with a beautiful finish to your garden.









Yorkstone Riven



All dimensions are in mm



600 x 450



450 x 450





See page 22 for a range

create interesting features

of matching stepping stones and edgings to

and a finished look.

Colours





Yorkstone Grey



Buff Brown



Weathered York



* Available in marked sizes only







Oddicombe Brown

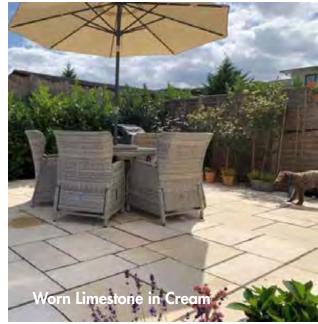


600 x 300*









Colours



Buff



Cream



Slate Grey

Highly individual in character



All dimensions are in mm







600 x 300 300 x 300

Travertine





A modern and contemporary look









400 x 400



400 x 200



Travertine Cream



Travertine Slate



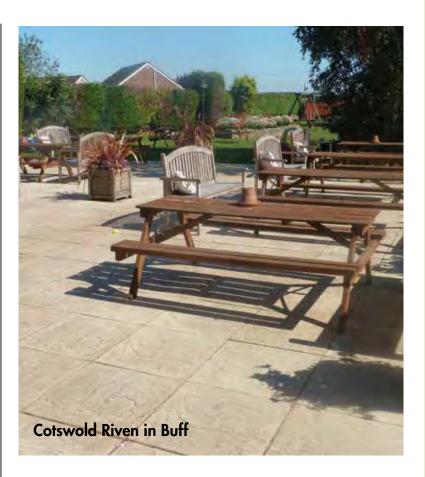
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Cotswold Riven

of different laying patterns is easily achievable.







A tried, tested and trusted paving slab



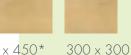












450 x 450*





Light Grey



Slate Grey

Standlake Smooth

The Minster Paving Standlake smooth Range models its looks on contemporary Limestone paving and is available in two colours. Cream and Slate grey.

The larger size of this oblong paving creates a clean contemporary feel, Standlake smooth paving has a high quality smooth surface. (with small indentations) the two distinct colour tones makes it suitable for contemporary paving projects.





Colours



Cream



Slate Grey

A new contemporary limestone style paving



All dimensions are in mm



800 x 400

Decktile/Wood Effect Paving

it's a sleeper, stepping stone or decking style, this and maintenance free





Decktile Paving



Heart Stepping Stone



Log Stepping Stone





Colours



Log Brown

Product	Size mm
Log Sleeper	675 × 225
Decktile	600 × 600
Heart step	420 Approx
Log Step	400 Approx

Modern Textured

shed bases or any spaces where functional









Buff



Slate Grey

Mull Cobble

An innovative, contemporary manufactured paving using different aged limestone cobbles to give a completely random effect when laid and jointed. The Mull Cobble makes exceptional focal points and wonderful pathways. It is also ideal around pools and water features.









Colours



Rriff



Grey

Cobble Mats

Cobble mats offer a traditional look whilst using modern day materials to create easy use. Our cobble mats are 24 individual cobbles that are joined by a mesh and can be laid as a whole or cut to suit. Available in buff and grey, each mat is 600×400 . Approx 4 mats to 1 square metre.









Buff



Grey

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Walling and Copings

Simple yet effective, these styles of walling are quick and easy to build and are great for creating flower beds, retaining walls and steps/treads.

Copings finish and protect your wall. They come in a variety of styles and shades creating a finished look.

*Please note that variation of depth/colour may occur in the curing process

Walling

Random Walling (440 x 115 x 100mm) Buff & Grey/Green

Cotswold Walling (440 x 150 x 100mm) Buff & Light Grey

Copings

Flat riven coping (450 x 150 x 50mm) Buff, Light Grey to order

Flat riven double coping (450 x 310 x 50mm) Buff, Light Grey to order

Rustic Coping (460 x 160 x 40mm) Buff & Grey/Green

Twice weathered coping (apex) 600 x 140mm (Light Grey & Buff)

Twice weathered coping (apex) 600 x 280mm (Light Grey & Buff)

Twice weathered coping (apex) 600 x 460mm (Light Grey & Buff)

Once weathered coping - 600 x 160mm (Light Grey & Buff)

Once weathered coping - 600 x 225mm (Light Grey & Buff)

Once weathered coping - 600 x 400mm (Light Grey & Buff)

Pier Caps

225mm (Light Grey & Buff)

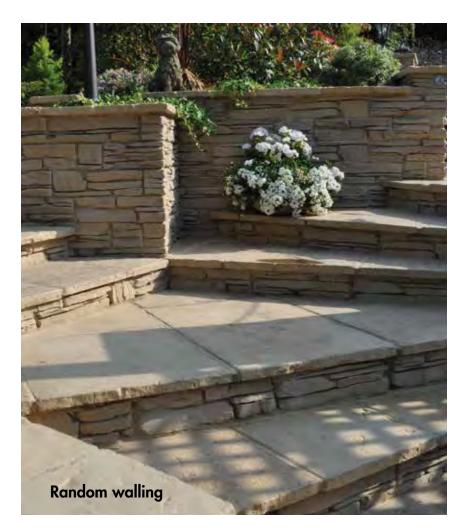
300mm (Light Grey & Buff)

375mm (Light Grey & Buff)

450mm (Light Grey & Buff)*

525mm (Light Grey & Buff)*

600mm (Light Grey & Buff)*





Random walling with Rustic coping



Cotswold walling



Flat coping



Cotswold Walling



Pier Caps



Twice weathered coping



Once weathered coping

Circles & Features

Our range of circles and features is yet another way to create the look you would like for your garden. We have a circle to compliment every range, which can also be made in any shade that we do. Of course it doesn't have to be just a circle, Squaring off kits are available so it can be incorporated as part of your patio.

You can also use the individual circle paving slabs to create a winding path in your garden.

The Octagon creates a charming feature, again available in all shades. It is excellent for use around conservatories and can save the need for cutting Paving Slabs.





A dramatic design for something just a little bit different



Circles and features

Oxford circle and Octagon available to match any of the paving in our Minster Flagstone range to give a perfect finish to your garden



Aztec

Size: 2.56m dia Squaring off kit available



Aztec Mini

Size: 1.8m dia Squaring off kit available



Star Circle

Sunflower

Size: 1.8m dia

Size: 1.8m dia Squaring off kit available



Oxford Circle 18

Size: 1.8m dia



Oxford Circle 18

Size: 1.8m dia with squaring off kit



Octagon feature

Size: 2.3m dia with squaring off kit



Oxford Circle 2.7

Size: 1.8m dia



Oxford Circle 2.7

Size: 3m with squaring off kit



Oval Feature

Size: 3m wide 2.25m high Available in cream.



Rotunda Circles

Rotunda 18

Rotunda 346

Size: 3.46m dia

Size: 1.8m dia



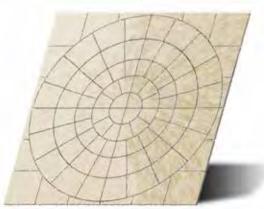
Rotunda 346

Rotunda 18

(Creates 1.8m square)

Size: 1.8m dia with squaring off kit

> Size: 3.46m dia with squaring off kit (Creates 3.6m square)



Rotunda 2.56

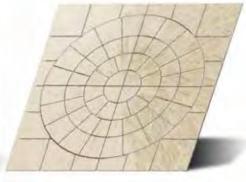
Size: 2.56m dia





Rotunda 2.56

Size: 2.56m dia with squaring off kit (Creates 3m square)



Rotunda 3.3

Size: 3.3m dia



Size: 1.5m dia



Rotunda 24

Size: 2.4m dia



Rotunda 24

Size: 2.4m dia with squaring off kit (Creates 2.7m square)



Rotunda 4.36

Size: 4.36m dia (Pictured with cobble mat surround)



Rotunda 5.36

Size: 5.36m dia (Pictured with cobble mat surround)







Stepping Stones

Stepping Stones	
Description - Colours	Size
Riven - Buff / Light Grey	450mm
Yorkstone - Buff / Grey	300/375/450/600mm
Roman - Buff	550 x 500mm
Garden Feature - Buff / Grey	600mm
Small Random - Buff / Grey	Approx 350 x 250mm
Large Random - Buff / Grey	Approx 540 x 440mm
Sunflower - Buff	450mm
Log Step Stone - Log Brown	400mm
Log sleeper - Log Brown	675 x 225mm
Mill Stone - Buff / Grey	600mm x100mm
Animal - Buff	300mm
Compass - Buff / Grey	600mm
Ammonite - Buff	380mm approx
Foot - Buff	600mm x 250mm (at widest point)
Rope - Buff	430 mm
Half Penny - Buff	300mm
Cat - Buff	300mm
Petal - Buff	420mm
Farthing - Buff	300mm
Boot	Approx 560 x 280mm



Rope



Garden Feature



Cat



Riven Stepstone



Log sleeper



Roman



Halfpenny



Petal



Large Random



Log Stepstone



Foot



Farthing



Squirrel/Hedgehog/Fox/Fish



Sunflower



Mill Stone



Ammonite



York Stepstone



Boot



Compass



Small Random

Edgings

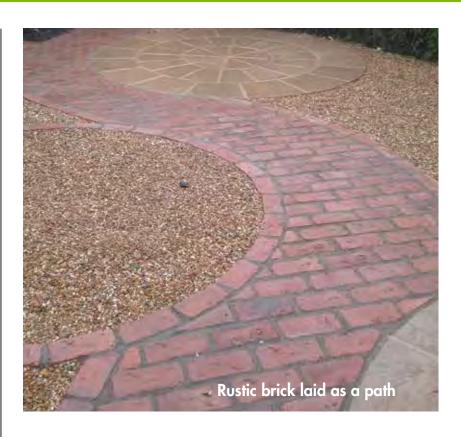
Edgings Sizes		
Description - Colours	Size mm	
Rope - Terracotta / Slate Grey / Brindle / Buff	585 x 150 x 50	
Mill - Buff, Grey/Green	600 x 150 x 50	
Rustic Brick - Terracotta	215 x 110 x 38	
Stonelap - Buff, Grey/Green	440 x 250	
Scalloped - Light Grey / Buff	600 x 150 x 50	
Chamfered - Light Grey / Buff	600 x 150 x 50	
Brick edging - Brindle	450 x 220 x 40	
Rose edging - Terracotta	200 x 190 x 90	
Corner Dollies - Buff / Slate Grey / Terracotta	50 x 50 x 270	
Gully Surround - Terracotta / Light Grey	230 x 230 x 150	



Gully Surround



Corner Dollies





Chamfer Edging



Rope Slate



Scalloped Buff



Rope Brindle



Rose Edging



Mill Edging



Brick Edging



Rustic Brick



Rope Buff



Stonelap Edging

Rope Terracotta

Fire Pit Surround

Our fire pit surround is ideal for any setting and enjoyed all year round.

Measuring approximately 1200mm overall with an internal measurement of arround 840mm, it is available in three colours. (Buff, Grey and Slate Grey) and four height options.

Fire Pit Surround	
Number of Rings	Height
2 Ring and Coping	250mm
2 Ring and Coping	345mm
2 Ring and Coping	440mm
2 Ring and Coping	535mm







Provence Tiles

These reproduction French Tiles will introduce a taste of terracotta living to any garden or home. The range of different masters create the rustic charm and blemishes of the handmade originals. Sizes will vary due to the imprecise production of the original tiles used to manufacture the moulds



Sizes

370 x 220 x 20 mm 320 x 160 x 20 mm

270 x 270 x 20 mm

Regency Brick

Our Regency Brick slab comes in a Basket Weave pattern, with irregular texture, uneven block surface, these paving bricks faithfully reproduce a Victorian courtyard.

Sizes

450 x 450 x 40mm





Minsters guide to laying your patio

As with most DIY and Construction tasks, the best results are achieved by preparing properly. When it comes to laying Minster Paving, thorough preparation will help you create a patio or pathway to be proud of.

Planning:

Start by measuring the area that is to be paved and calculating just how much paving will be required. Minster Paving can help you with this by suggesting a selection of sizes that can be combined to best cover the area.

It's important to plan how the new paving will be drained before starting work. Will it simply be a matter of allowing surface water to run off at the edges and drain onto the garden, or will it be directed towards a gully or a linear channel? Wherever the water is to be sent, the paving will need to slope or "fall" in that general direction, and there will need to be adequate slope or "fall" to prevent water hanging on the surface of the paving for any longer than is absolutely necessary. It is generally recommended that the fall should be at least 1:60, which is roughly 17mm per metre or three-quarters of an inch per yard.

Tools you will need:

Shovel or spade
Wheelbarrow
Cement Mixer
Large trowel for spreading mortar
Small trowel for pointing
Rubber mallet
Ball of string
Wooden pegs or steel bars/pins
Spirit level
Tape measure or rule
Cut-off Saw

Preparation:

Remove any turt and excavate to a depth of at least 150mm (6") to remove all topsoil. Dig off an area slightly larger than necessary to ensure there is ample working room. Normally an extra 150-300mm (6" - 12") is adequate.

Set up taut string lines as guides to the intended levels. Knock in wooden pegs or steel bars exactly on the outside edges of the planned paving and tie on string lines at the height of the paving. Stretch the string tight and fasten to the next peg, creating a straight and true line that will act as a guide to both the alignment and the level of the paving as it is laid. Bear in mind that,

except at doorways, paving should always be laid so it is at least 150mm (6") below the damp proof course (DPC) of any building.

All good paving has a support layer beneath. This is usually referred to as a sub-base and comprises a layer, roughly 75-100mm (3-4") thick, of MOT type one or recycled concrete. This is spread out over the working area, levelled off and then thoroughly compacted using a vibrating plate compactor which can be hired at most Tool Suppliers. The sub-base should have the same profile as that planned for the actual paving, so if the paving is to drain towards the garden, the sub-base should fall in the same direction.

The aim is to create a stable sub-base layer which is reasonably accurate and lies roughly 50-75mm below the finished paving level, so that, when laid, the flagstones are sitting on a mortar bed that has a fairly uniform thickness. Check the level of the sub-base by measuring from the string lines once it is compacted.

Laying the paving:

Once the sub-base is complete, the next step is to lay the slabs. Plan in advance what pattern or arrangement will best suit your project. For pathways, it's often a single strip of slabs laid one after the other, but larger areas such as patios and driveways offer more laying options. Will it be simple courses running along or across the length of the area or will it be something more decorative such as a random layout? It's important that you know what layout will be used before you start to lay.

Minster slabs are manufactured to the highest possible standards, but they need to be properly laid to ensure you get the best from them. In all instances, we strongly recommend that you lay the slabs on a full mortar bed. This means having the whole of the underside of the slabs supported by a sand cement mortar. The lazy way of using spots or dabs of mortar at each corner does not provide full support for the slabs and often results in cracked or rocking slabs.

Make the bedding mortar using a coarse sand (we can help you with thist). Mix 4 parts of the sand with 1 part cement, and when all the dry ingredients are thoroughly mixed, add clean, cold water, a little at a time, until the mixture starts to stick together. Ideally, the mortar will be damp without being overly wet and messy.

Spread the laying mortar onto the ground and level it out using a trowel to a thickness of around 30-40mm ($1\frac{1}{4}$ " - $1\frac{3}{4}$ "). The bed needs to be just high enough so that, when the slab is positioned, it lies 6-10mm high

(1/4"-1/2"). Use a rubber mallet to carefully tap down the slab until it is at the correct level. Check the fall using a spirit level, and check that there are no 'lips' between the new slab and any that have been laid previously.

Always leave a gap of approximately 8-15mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ "- $\frac{1}{2}$ ") between adjacent slabs and between the slabs and any wall, edging or other hard fixture. This will be filled with a mortar once the paving has set hard.

If any mortar has splashed or dripped onto the surface of the slab, wipe it off immediately with a damp cloth and clean water.

Never, ever stand on the newly laid paving. It needs to be left undisturbed for at least 24 hours to give the mortar a chance to harden. Only ever work from the unpaved area. Lay one slab at a time and get it right before moving on to the next one. Once several slabs have been laid, use a straightedge timber or a long spirit level to check the evenness over the surface.

Any slabs that need to be cut to suit the layout or fit around obstructions such as drains or manhole covers should be cut using a cut-off saw which can be hired-in when needed. Follow the safety instructions very carefully. All concrete and stone dust is harmful so make sure you wear the right type of mask and eye protection at all times. The saw should have dust suppression which is usually a hose attached to an outdoor tap to spray the dust as it emerges from the blade and prevent is clouding the atmosphere. You hire supplier will be able to advise.

Jointing:

The next task is to carry out the jointing. The mortar beneath the slabs must be given adequate time to start to harden. We usually recommend at least 24 hours, but more time may be required in cold or damp weather. Once the bed is sufficiently hard, they can be walked upon with care. Avoid standing on the corners; try to place your weight in the centre of each slab.

The joints between each slab need to be filled with a mortar. This can be a cement mortar made using 3 parts sand with 1 part cement and just enough water to make it damp, or it can be one of the modern resin mortars which are brushed into the joints and left to set without staining the slabs.

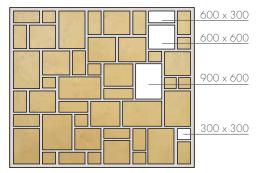
Cement mortars need the paving to be dry. The mortar is carefully pushed into the empty joints using a trowel, and then packed down and polished smooth using a pointing bar. Any spills or splashes must be wiped with a damp cloth immediately because they will stain.

Resin mortars are more expensive but they require less skill and, used properly, wil not stain the paving. Resin mortars work best when the surface of the paving is wet They are brushed into the empty joints where they self-compact and start to harder over the next 12-24 hours. Any excess resin mortar must be swept off the surface before it starts to set.

Whether you have used resin or cement jointing, the paving needs to be left for at least 24 hours so the mortar will set. After that, the paving can be used with care more or less immediately. We'd recommend giving it at least three days if possible before using it or loading it with patio furniture.

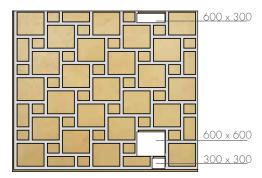
And then, if you've followed this advice, you can look forward to many years of trouble-free enjoyment from your beautiful new Minster Paving patio. Enjoy!

Laying Patterns



4 Size Random (area = 3.6m × 3.6m = 12.96m sq) Suitable for Minster Flagstone

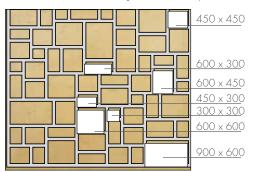
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Dutch (area = $3.6m \times 3.6m = 12.96m \text{ sg}$)

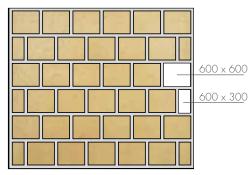
Suitable for Minster Flagstone, Yorkstone Riven, Worn Limestone Cotswold Riven

Consists of: 25 **600 x 600,** 8 **600 x 300**, 28 **300 x 300**



7 Size Random (area = 3.6m x 3.6m = 12.96m sq)
Suitable for Minster Flagstone

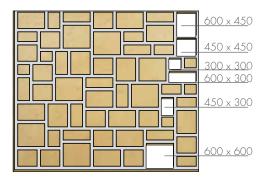
Consists of: 3 900 x 600, 6 600 x 600, 10 600 x 450, 10 600 x 300, 14 450 x 450, 9 450 x 300, 7 300 x 300



Half bond (area = $3.6m \times 3.6m = 12.96m \text{ sq}$

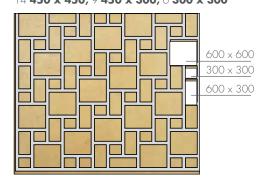
Suitable for Minster Flagstone, Yorkstone Riven, Worn Limestone and Cotswold Riven

Consists of 33 600 x 600, 6 600 x 300



6 Size Random (area = 3.6m x 3.6m = 12.96m sq)Suitable for Minster Flaastone, Yorkstone Riven

Consists of 8 600 x 600, 13 600 x 450, 11 600 x 300, 14 450 x 450, 9 450 x 300, 6 300 x 300



Tudor (area = $3.6m \times 3.6m = 12.96m \text{ sq}$)

Suitable for Minster Flagstone, Yorkstone Riven Worn Limestone and Cotswold Riven

10 **600 x 300**, 14 **450 x 450**, 9 **450 x 300**, 7 **300 x 300** Consists of 18 **600 x 600**, 24 **600 x 300**, 24 **300 x 300**

Terms and Conditions of Sale

We hope you enjoy many years of use with your new patio, below is some information • Every effort must be made by yourselves to ensure goods are treated with care. that should be noted.

Colours

Efflorescence

Cleaning

Dimensions

Liability

Pallets

Delivery

Courier Deliveries

IMPORTANT NOTICE: please note that if we are delivering your goods via a courier then you must read the "deliveries for couriers" attachment as any restrictions to access will occur delays in deliveries and redelivery chages. Please notify us ASAP if you think access for deliveries will be an issue as we cannot be

During Transit - The paving will be carefully stacked, banded and shrinkwrapped but it is inevitable that

Breakages



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