



# COFFIN & CASKET SELECTION

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## Coffins and Caskets

Choosing an appropriate coffin or casket which means something to you will help with the bereavement process and it is an important but necessary part of your funeral arrangement.

We have many different options available each offering a unique set of features, but before choosing, it is perhaps worth taking a look back at the life of your loved one as this may point to the type of coffin or casket that would best represent their unique life. Were they for instance interested in the environment? Or perhaps they had a love of their garden or were a lifelong supporter of a football club, or maybe they were a very traditional person that liked things just so.



#### Traditional Coffins and Caskets

Our range of traditional coffins covers many styles and materials, from standard styles of coffins and caskets in solid or veneered wood to more elaborate styles with intricate panelled sides and raised lids.



#### **Picture Coffins**

A picture paints a thousand words. Reflections is a range of picture coffins that can showcase picture quality images on the coffin. These images can be of absolutely anything, for example a collage of images of your loved one's life, a theme dedicated to the football club supported or a favourite place or hobby your loved one liked. A picture coffin really shows the uniqueness of your loved one's life.



#### Country Range

A selection of alternative coffins and caskets made from materials such as Bamboo, Wicker, Wool and Seagrass. Offering an environmental feel to the funeral and due to the nature of the materials used can appear to be a 'softer' option than a traditional wood coffin.



#### Guardian American-Style Caskets

A range of genuine American caskets, provided exclusively to us in partnership with Aurora Caskets. Made in a variety of solid woods and metals, with a range of decorative finishes.



## The Forest Stewardship Council ® [FSC] is an international, nongovernmental organisation dedicated to promoting responsible

management of the world's forests. It was founded in 1993 in response to public concern about deforestation and demand for a trustworthy woodlabelling scheme. FSC UK is a registered charity. It is supported by NGOs including WWF, Greenpeace and the Woodland Trust.



We have been accredited with the ISO 14001 standard, the internationally recognised mark for the environmental management of businesses. It prescribes controls for those activities that have an effect on the environment. These include the use of natural resources, handling and treatment of waste and energy consumption.









### Joiner





## Regis



## Hasbury





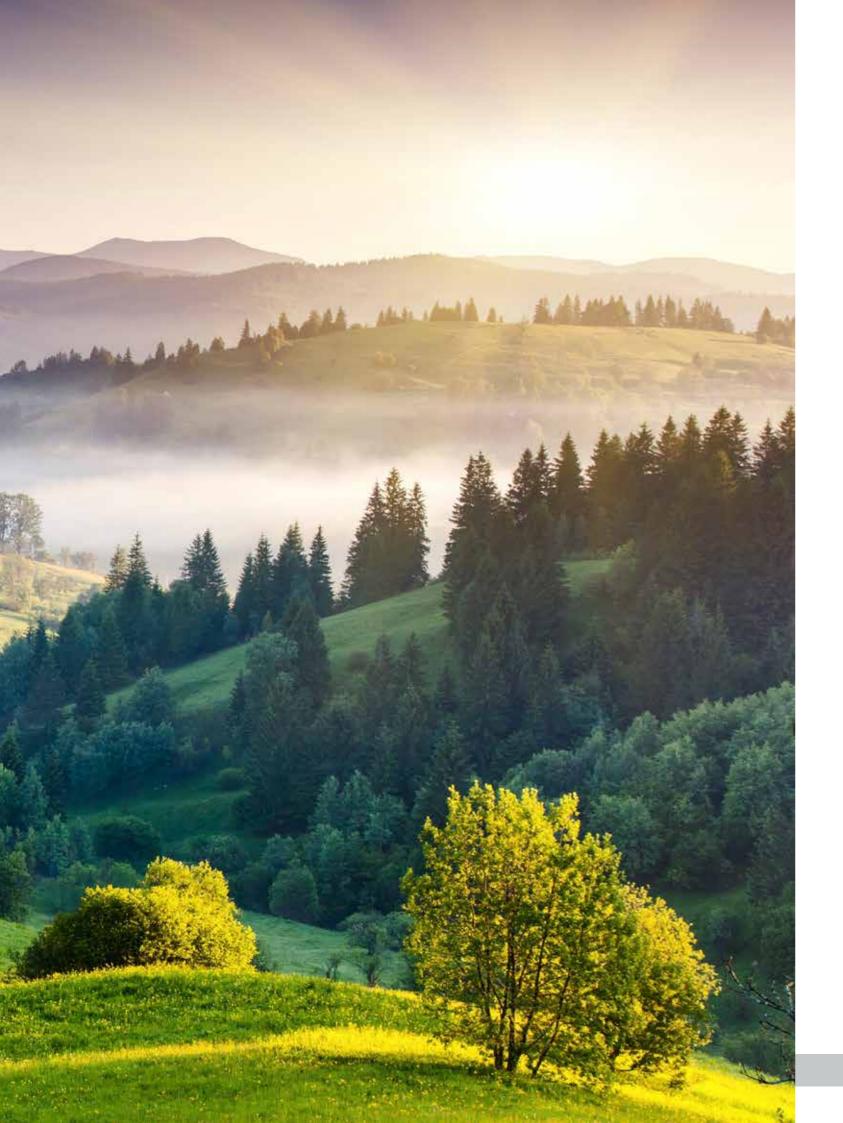
# Romsley Romsley



### Wollaston











Traditionally shaped solid oak coffin with clean simple sides and deep solid wood moulds to the base and lid. Polished with a gloss finish.

# Engineer

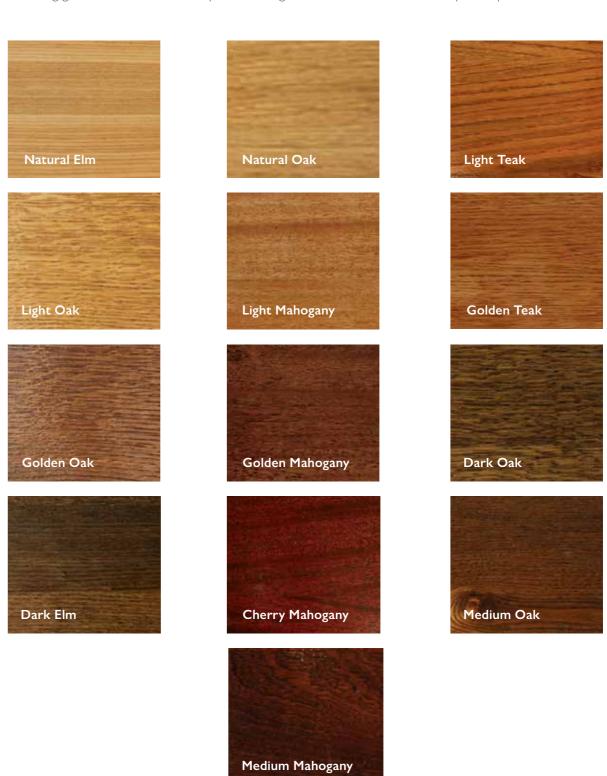


#### Last Supper

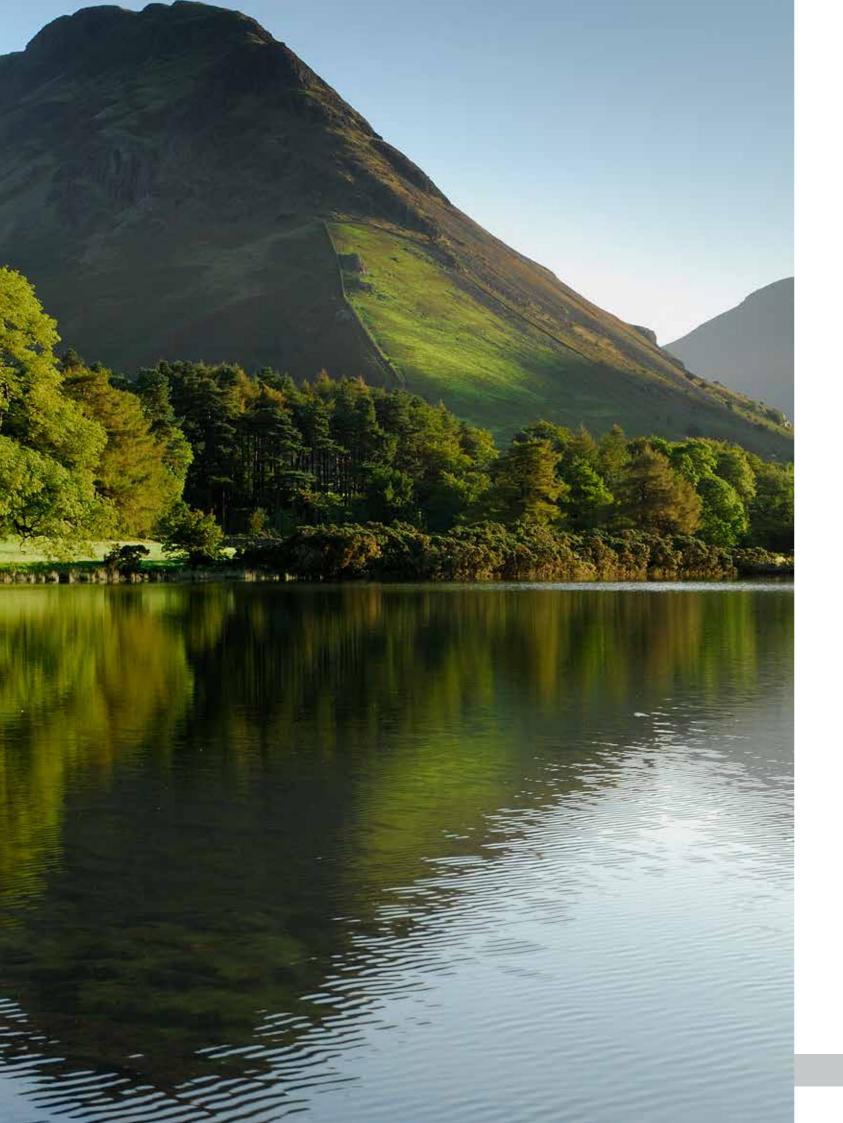
A traditional coffin made using a solid oak veneer over medium density fibre board. A delightful 'Last Supper' feature panel is found on the sides, and comes with a raised lid. Polished in a rich Teak colour with a gloss finish, the coffin is fitted with a lovely satin interior.

## Veneered Coffin Wood Stains

A pigmented colour stain is applied to the veneer. This achieves a wide range of differing wood effects. The following guide is included to assist you in finding the desired colour and finish you require.



<sup>\*</sup>Please note that these swatches are intended as a guide only. Due to the nature of wood, actual finish may vary slightly.



# **EXPRESSIONS**

#### Oxford

Oak style veneer coffin engraved with contrasting fine panel details (in gold or silver). Choose from our standard colours of White, Green, Red or Blue. All are Forest Stewardship Council accredited and FFMA certified.



Any customised colour can be achieved from the Dulux range.



Matching Ash Caskets available in any colour

Green



Blue

Red



# EXPRESSIONS RAISED LID

#### Joiner

An oak veneer style coffin fitted with No 3 raised lid.





Stage 2 - Choose Colour

The Berwick oak style veneer coffin can be finished with any colour.



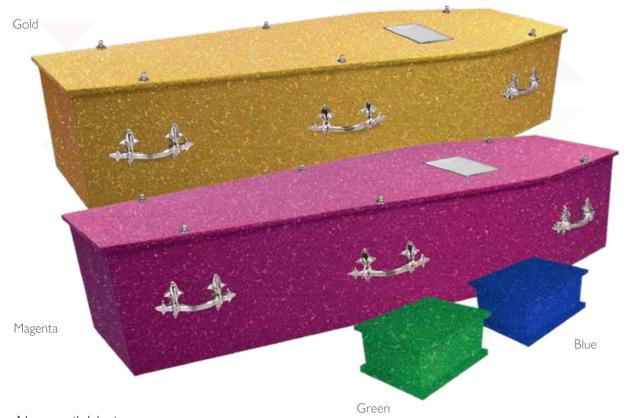


Our sensational glitter coffins offer one last chance to sparkle. The coffins are made from MDF covered with diamond glitter paper. Also available as an Ashes Casket.

\*Please note that colours are presented for illustrative purposes only.\*

#### Glitter Coffin

With both a striking visual appearance and textural surface, our glitter coffins will dazzle and brighten any type of funeral.



#### Also available in....





Silver







Copper

EXPRESSIONS Gitter\*

The Expressions Glitter Coffin. A new way to personalise any funeral. Mix and match from a range of colour choices, by painting the coffin a particular colour, or leaving it in its natural wood. A glitter panel can then be added onto the side panel creating a visually stunning piece of art. A glitter panel can also be added to the lid or the ends for that added WOW factor. Follow the simple steps below.

#### The Coffin

The Expressions coffin is based on our current Hingley; An oak veneer style coffin with veneered matching moulds and a half round mould on the lid and sides.



#### Choose a colour and glitter panel colour

Choose from a range of NINE different Glitter colours to go on the coffin pane (see page 10). Example below sprayed white with a magenta glitter panel.



Matching Ashes also available

# English Made Coffins

English Made Coffins are handcrafted with care and thought, providing a beautiful resting place for loved ones. Each coffin comes with a book and one keepsake butterfly. The book inscription gives the family and friends an opportunity to personalise the coffin, whether it is a message, lyrics or a reading. All of our coffins come with a pillow and a luxurious liquid poly-satin fabric lining in a choice of colours.

Sizes available - 5ft 8 inches  $\times$  20"  $\times$  13 - 6ft  $\times$  20"  $\times$  13" - 6ft 4"  $\times$  22"  $\times$  14

#### The Oval Walnut Tree

The Oval coffin has a more modern minimalist shape for coffin design, with its organic elliptical shape and delicate detailing. The soft sheen water-based lacquer emphasises the beautiful, rich, deep brown colour of the black American walnut, giving The Walnut Tree a feeling of comfort and calm.



## Interior Options;



Cobalt Blue





Cerise Pink









#### The Oval Maple Tree

The Oval coffin has a more modern minimalist shape for coffin design, with its organic elliptical shape and delicate detailing. This charming fiddleback maple is lacquered in a water- based soft sheen finish, bringing out the delicate pearlescent colour and depth of the maple. Gold edge detailing is applied to the base and top.









Solid maple load-bearing bar handles, ensuring quality and security.



CASKET RANGE

# English Style Wood Caskets

#### Stanley

swing lid.

A solid oak English casket with a single piece raised

An oak veneer casket with raised

## Omega

lid and refined decorative panels to the sides and the ends. It also features decorative corner pillars.

Shown here with a raised name plate and casket handles.

## American Style Wood & Metal Caskets





#### Heritage

A solid paulownia wood casket with a satin mission brown finish and lovely carved detailing, the Heritage comes with matching wood swing bar handles and is fitted with a neat khaki cross weave interior.

#### Blue Rise

A silver stainless steel casket in a luminous blue brush, the Blue Rise is fitted with bold bar handles and supports and comes fitted with a sky blue velvet interior.



An 18-gauge steel casket in indigo silver, the impressive Indigo has contrasting bar handles and supports and is fitted with a white velvet interior.





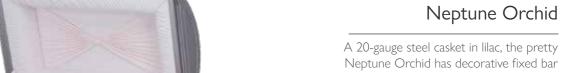


## Apollo White

Apollo Silver

luxurious white crepe interior.

An 18-gauge steel casket in pristine white, the Apollo White has decorative fixed bar handles and supports and is fitted with a luxurious white crepe



A 20-gauge steel casket in lilac, the pretty Neptune Orchid has decorative fixed bar handles and supports and is fitted with a luxurious misty rose crepe interior.



## Reflections® Personalised Design Service

Everyone in life is unique, and a picture coffin can reflect the individual qualities of the person who has passed away. In addition to our standard range of coffins and caskets, we are pleased to showcase the Reflections® range of picture coffins.

Every picture coffin can be unique and designed to truly reflect the personality of the deceased person. Personal images can be used in the design which could include images of the life and times of your loved one or perhaps images of their favourite place or hobby. With a Reflections® picture coffin anything is possible.



FSC certified products are indicated by use of the FSC ticktree alongside the product. The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification guarantees that the wood we use comes from trees grown in responsibly managed forests and other controlled sources

## Abstract / Branded\*

Often designs can be based on a few different themes, colours or textures, or be of a particular brand or event. \*Sometimes these designs can be subject to copyright.



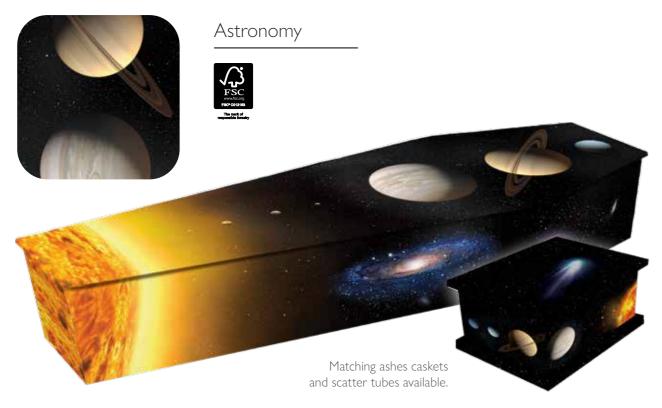




## Hobbies & Passions

As with sports, pastimes and leisure activities can become a defining aspect of people's lives. Be it painting, fishing or gardening, we can create a picture coffin that utilises photographs supplied. If the deceased rode a particular motorbike, or sailed a particular vessel, we are happy to create a design that incorporates the right imagery for a truly personalised picture coffin.





## Floral Tributes

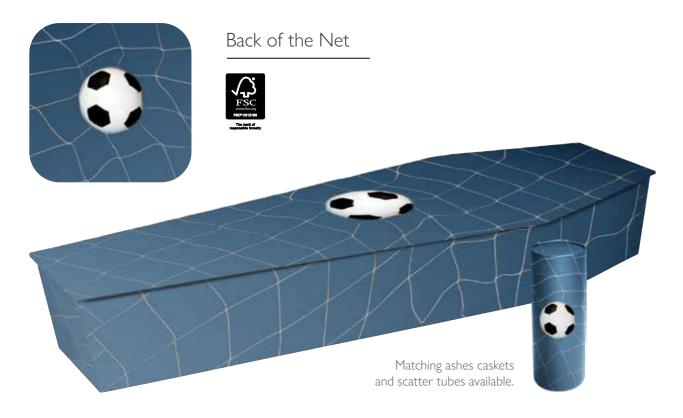
Floral tributes have a long association with funeral arrangements and as such it is not surprising that picture coffins that utilise flowers in their design have become a popular choice. These floral designs offer a softer, more colourful alternative to a traditional wood coffin and can hold special significance. Poppies are well known for their link to remembrance, while daffodils can signify re-birth and renewal.





## Sporting Life

Sport can become a passionate corner-stone of our lives, manifesting itself in a life long dedication to a particular team. Many of the requests that utilise our personalised service reflect a special memory. Sporting and team coffins remain some of our most popular designs. Through flags and motifs we can reference national teams and, in the event of wanting to include a specific club, we can secure the permission to do so wherever possible.





## Mode of Transport

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## Life in Music

We offer a range of designs based around instruments, musical styles and iconography, as well as abstract designs to represent the feeling music creates. We can create a design based around a favourite instrument or musical theme.





## **Style Statements**

A picture coffin can also represent the identity and style of your loved one. For those who are patriotic we offer designs which feature flags, crests and patterns, such as various tartans. A military career could be represented by the colours of their regiment accompanied by their badge. Or perhaps a strong fashion sense could be continued with one of our patterned and textured designs. Whatever your requirements, we are happy to create a unique design which compliments your loved one's personality.



Matching ashes caskets

and scatter tubes available.



## Personalised Coffin

#### Design your panels

As part of our new Pathway service, we have developed a system where each panel can be designed separately. Whether each panel is designed from a different family member, or designed together using different panels for different periods or pastimes of a persons life, the Pathway service allows you to create any possible outcome with any possible design. Below are some examples;



#### Lid options

Choose from three different lid options. Our blackboard lid for chalk inscriptions, our whiteboard lid for permanent marker inscriptions, or choose to have the lid covered in a full picture.







Blackboard Lid

Whiteboard Lid

Picture Lid

#### Choose your frame

Our standard Pathway frames come in natural wood, black or white. Alternatively, if you didn't want to choose from our standard range, any customised colour can be achieved from the Dulux range. For ease of ordering, colour reference may be made using the Dulux colour chart.







#### Choose your material

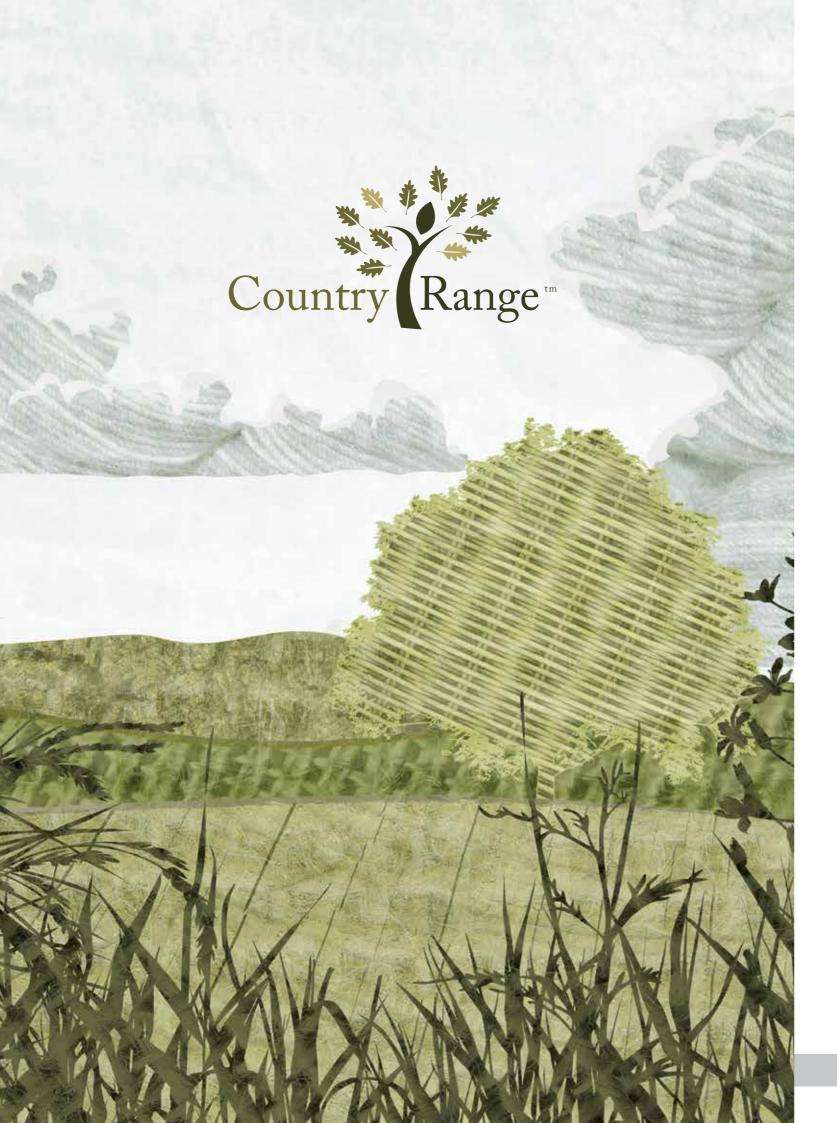
Viewing the coffin has never been more comforting. The panels can be printed onto a fabric material which is then padded to elevate it from the frame, giving the design and final finish more emphasise. The panels are designed to be fully biodegradable. Alternatively, you can have your panels printed on our FSC certified paper.





Printed Padded Fabric

FSC paper laminated on sugar board





The Country Range of alternative coffins are supplied by J. C Atkinson, a UK based award winning company known for high environmental standards and manufacturing innovation.

The Country Range products are made by ourselves and our partner companies **Oasis Coffins** and **Natural Legacy**.

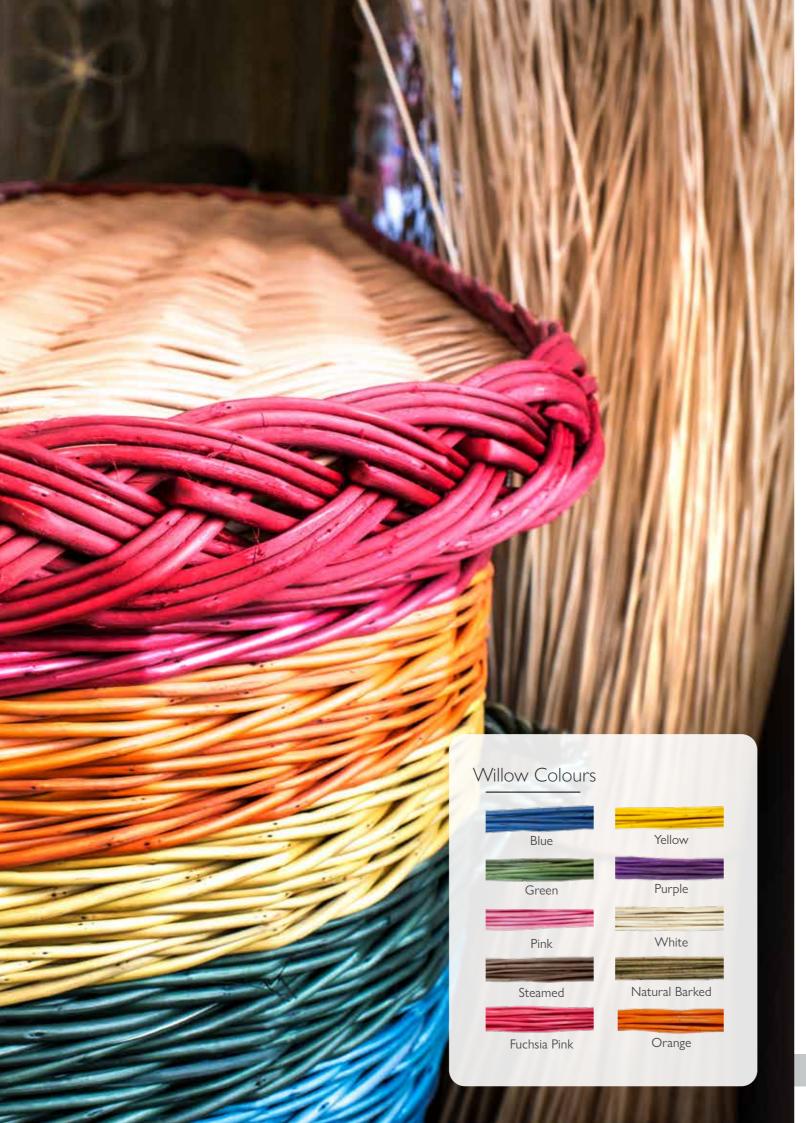
The Country Range offers a selection of coffins which are made using sustainable materials, are readily biodegradable and are suitable for all types of natural or traditional burial and have also been tested for their suitability and are accepted for cremation.

This range of products has a low Global Warming Potential (GWP) carbon footprint and offers a social and ethical benefit, be it to a community involved with their manufacture or through our donations to Groundwork UK and our Tree Tribute initiative.

The Country Range products encompass all these values and offer a range of styles to suite all tastes, by choosing from this range you have made a positive difference to the environment and left a social benefit.



Representatives from Traidcraft, the UK's largest Fair Trade organisation have conducted a rigorous assessment of the business on location in Bangladesh, and are pleased to endorse all of the coffins and urns produced by Oasis as Fair Trade. Ongoing assessments will be made to ensure that these high standards are maintained. Locally, Oasis is an active member of the Fair Trade Forum in Bangladesh.



## English Willow Coffins



We offer a range of willow 'wicker' coffins that reflect the unique landscape of the Somerset levels and the surrounding areas where the willow is farmed.

#### Rainbow

Available in our traditional or oval shape. The Rainbow coffin is woven using coloured

willow.





#### Block Coloured Willow (Blue)

Available in our traditional or oval shape, the middle insert is coloured.





#### Full coloured Willow (Red)

Available in our traditional or oval shape.





#### Handle options;







Willow Handles

Hemp handles

#### Quantock

An oval style coffin made with buff and white willow. This style tapers from one end to the foot.





#### Haymoor

An oval style coffin made with our rich brown steamed willow.





#### Moorland

Oval style willow coffin made using our own natural barked willow insert with buff or white







## Premium Woven Coffins

Designed with beauty and strength in mind, Daisy coffins combine sophistication with quality. These hand-crafted green coffins offer a dignified and unique solution made from 100% natural products.

# Traditional Water Hyacinth Coffin

Traditional coffin shape and created with a strong inner wooden frame with a hand woven water hyacinth outer shell. Comes with a natural unbleached calico lining. Also available in a half round shape.



# Traditional Coffin Banana Leaf

Traditional coffin shape and created with a strong inner wooden frame with a hand woven Banana Leaf outer shell. Comes with a natural unbleached calico lining. Also available in a square shape.





#### Traditional Golden Wicker

Traditional coffin shape and constructed with a soft wood albasia frame and either a golden or grey wicker weave outer.

Also available in **Grey Wicker.** 





# Natural Legacy Woollen Coffins

Natural Legacy offers a contemporary style with comfortable handling. Each coffin or ash casket is completed with a personalised hand embroidered woollen name plate.



#### Natural Woollen Coffin

The Natural coffin is made in Yorkshire using pure new wool, supported on a strong recycled cardboard frame. Wool is a fibre with a true "green" lineage that is both sustainable and biodegradable. The interior is generously lined with organic cotton and attractively edged with jute, with embroidered woollen nameplate.

Available in Natural (White) or Limestone (Grey).



# Natural Seagrass Oval



Natural Seagrass oval coffin in a rounded-end casket shape with engraved wooden nameplate.





#### E Willow / E Willow Block Colour (Purple)

The willow is carefully woven onto a strong wooden frame and finished with rope handles.



Bamboo







## Cardboard Coffins

#### Cardboard Economy and Green Coffin

A simple, plain cardboard coffin manufactured from recycled cardboard.



## Tree Tribute

Throughout this guide you will see the Tree Tribute logo next to a wide range of products. If you purchase one of the products showing a tree tribute logo then a deciduous native sapling tree will be planted on your behalf.

We also offer a Woodland Memorial Pack which consists of three saplings, rabbit guards, a wood marker and a name plate suitable for engraving.

This Woodland Memorial Pack is a great way to remember your loved one by being able to plant a tree in your own or relatives garden, offering somewhere close to go to remember your loved one. Some people also bury some of their loved ones ashes with the tree giving a very special place, close by to visit and remember.

#### Woodland Memorial Pack

Includes three quality deciduous sapling trees, rabbit guards, wood marker and engraved plate.







**URN COLLECTION** 

## Heartwood Ashes Caskets



The Amble

Manufactured in solid Oak.



Manufactured in solid Oak.





The Compton

Manufactured in solid Oak.

The Cuthbert

Manufactured in solid Oak.





The Embleton

Manufactured in solid Pine.

For extended selection go to www.foreverurns.co.uk

## Heartwood Ashes Caskets Continued



The Hilda

Manufactured in solid Oak.

The Lesbury

Manufactured in solid Mahogany.





The Newham

Manufactured in solid Oak.



Manufactured in solid Oak.





The Oswald

Manufactured in solid Oak.

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## Metal Urns & Keepsakes



Blue Harvest

Can contain up to 4.6 litres **Urn** - H26 × D16cm **Mini Urn** - H6 × D5cm



Orchid

Can contain up to 4.6 litres

Urn - H26 × D16cm

Mini Urn - H6 × D5cm

Heart - H7 × W8 × D5cm



Red Velvet

Can contain up to 4.6 litres Urn -  $H29 \times D18cm$   $Mini\ Urn$  -  $H9 \times D5cm$  Heart -  $H7 \times W8 \times D5cm$ 



Marble White

Can contain up to 4.6 litres Urn - H26 × D17cm Mini Urn - H6 × D5cm Heart - H7 × W8 × D5cm



Butterflies

Can contain up to 4.6 litres

Urn - H26 × D16cm

Mini Urn - H6 × D5cm

Heart - H7 × W8 × D5cm



White Rose

Can contain up to 4.6 litres Urn -  $H28 \times D19cm$   $Mini\ Urn$  -  $H6 \times D5cm$  Heart -  $H7 \times W8 \times D5cm$ 



Pink Rose

Can contain up to 4.6 litres

Urn - H28 × D17cm

Mini Urn - H8 × D4cm

Heart - H7 × W8 × D5cm



Blooming Grace

Can contain up to 4.6 litres  $\textbf{Urn} - \text{H27} \times \text{D16cm}$   $\textbf{Heart} - \text{H7} \times \text{W8} \times \text{D5cm}$ 



Purple Flowers

Can contain up to 4.6 litres

Urn - H28 × D19cm

Mini Urn - H6 × D5cm

Heart - H7 × W8 × D5cm



Mosaic

Can contain up to 4.6 litres Urn - H26 x D16cm Mini Urn - H6 x D5cm



Anoka

Can contain up to 4.6 litres Urn - H27 x D19cm Mini Urn - H8 x D5cm



Sovereign

Can contain up to 4.6 litres H26.5 x D15.5cm



Strength

Can contain up to 4.6 litres

Urn - H28 × D17cm

Mini Urn - H6 × D5cm



Peaceful Grace

Can contain up to 4.6 litres

Urn - H27 x D16cm

Mini Urn - H6.5 x D4.5cm



Ambassador

Can contain up to 4.6 litres H27 x D17.5cm



Entwined Grace

Can contain up to 4.6 litres  $H26.5 \times D16cm$ 



Peace, Love & Remembrance

Can contain up to 5.0 litres  $H24 \times D17cm$ 



Love Roses

H14 x D11cm

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## Scatter Tubes

These tubes for scattering come in two sizes (standard 5.5L, and small 400ml), and are designed and engineered to simplify the scattering process. The tubes are durable, dignified and simple. They do not contain metal or plastic components and can be recycled or composted after use. Each features a convenient removable lid and a perforated "push in" tab that opens easily prior to scattering.



- 1. Forget-Me-Not
- 3. Rainbow
- **5.** Sunflower
- 7. Autumn
- **9.** Burgundy

- **2.** Bluebell Wood **4.** Ascending Dove
- **6.** Roses
- 10. Ocean Sunset
- **10.** Navy

## Stone Buddha

Buddha, deep in meditation, is hand carved in stone. Perfect for a quiet spot in the garden. The ashes are stored discreetly in the base. Discolouration of the stone will occur over time and depend on weather conditions.



Serene Meditation

Can contain up to 4.6 litres H50 x W30 x D25cm



Buddha

Can contain up to 4.6 litres H42 x W29 x D23cm

## Memorial Vase Urn

Keep your loved one close by your side in the centre of your home. The Memorial Vase Urn is a full size cremation urn with the appearance and functionality of a beautiful flower vase.

Flowers are often used as an extension of our emotions, from our deepest sympathy to the greatest joy. And sometimes they just let people know we are thinking about them. Displaying flowers in the Memorial Vase Urn, made from durable Aluminium that won't break, provides a physical medium to connect with your loved one and celebrate their life.



## Coffin Furniture

Many products found in the coffin furniture section are available in a choice of finishes – either Electro Brass (EB) or Nickel (NP).



Rose EB



Rose NP



Lily EB



Lily NP



Thames EB



Thames NP



## Simple Funeral

We are members of the National Association of Funeral Directors and in accordance with the associations' code of practice we offer a simple funeral to a standard specification. As this service is designed to meet a specific choice or economic need the services available are restricted to those shown below:

- Provision of our professional services including caring for the deceased
- Attending to all relevant and necessary documentation
- The provision of all necessary staff
- The arranging of the funeral service at a day and time convenient to ourselves
- A simple coffin suitable for Cremation or Burial
- The transfer of the deceased to our premises from a local place of death (within a 15 mile radius) in normal working hours
- A motor hearse direct from our premises to the nearest Crematorium or Cemetery



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