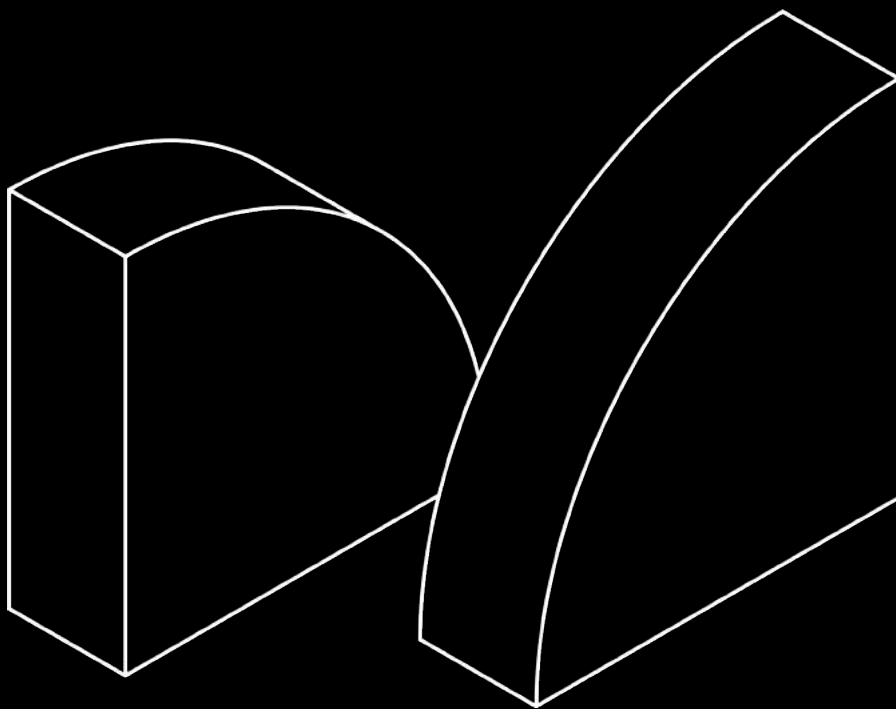




Magnetic Knife Block - Skinner Designs
Information Leaflet

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Black (Ebonised) English Oak



American Black Walnut



English Oak



English Brown Oak

Features of our Magnetic Knife Blocks



Dimensions
Our blocks measure 250x250mm and have a thickness between 70-100mm.

Wood Species
Currently, we have ten species of wood to choose from which include:
English:
Oak, Beech, Ash, Sycamore, Walnut, Cherry and Brown Oak
American:
Maple, Cherry and Black Walnut

Keeps Knives Sharp & Damage Free
Knives attached to the block fair better than knives in drawers or other blocks due to the magnetic design.

Hygienic
Keeps knives clean and hygienic by allowing air flow rather than being placed into a slotted block which can house bacteria.

Easy to Use
Knives can be placed near the magnetic areas of the block which will then pull the knife into position. To remove a knife simply pull upwards and the knife will simply slide off.

Mirrored Design
The blocks are made using two mirrored pieces of timber. When these pieces are glued together it gives the illusion of a single piece of wood.

Warranty
1 year limited warranty - see our warranty section for more information.

Quality Checks
Before shipping we inspect each knife block to make sure there are no defects or damage.

Ten Knives
Each block can hold up to ten knives (Five per side)

Rare Earth Magnets
Each knife is attached using a pair of high strength rare earth magnets located a few millimetres below the surface of the wood.

Non-Slip Cork Base
Our blocks are supplied with a cork base in order to grip your work surface.

Easy to Clean
Wipe down your Magnetic Knife Block with hot, soapy water then pat dry with clean paper towels and allow to air dry.

Attaching & Removal of Knives

Magnetic Knife Blocks

Meet our stunning Magnetic Knife Block handmade in the heart of Mid Sussex. This eye-catching piece is constructed using the very best high quality timbers.

The block itself, contains twenty rare earth magnets in order to keep your knives securely in position. This fabulous block can hold up to ten knives at one time. (Five per side). Magnets are inserted deep into the inside faces before we glue the two symmetrical mirrored halves together creating the look of a single solid block of wood.

Finished using a durable, hard wax oil, which not only protects the underlying wood, but creates a smooth, semi-reflective finish, enhancing the natural grain of the wood.

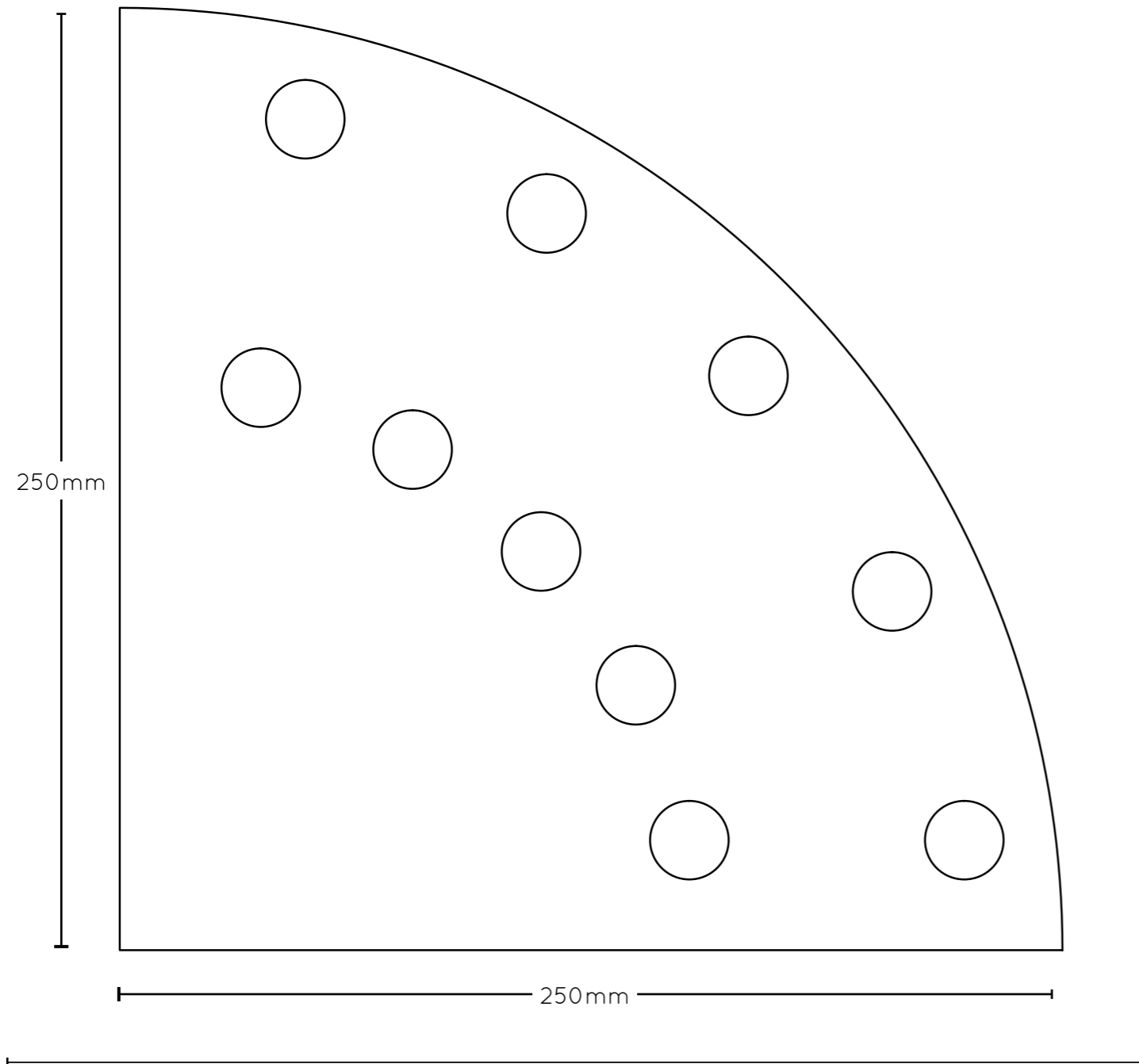
Please note that while we use very strong magnets we have encountered a very few knives that may be too heavy or blades too small to engage properly on all the magnets. If you happen to come across this please get in contact.



Attaching
Bring one flat side of the knife slowly to the block, as it gets close the magnets will pull the knife into position.

Removing
Pull the knife directly upward and your knife will slide off the block releasing it.

Magnet Locations



Our Wood

We only source our timber from suppliers that can Guarantee FSC certified timber.

The Forest Stewardship Council – FSC is an independent, non-profit organisation promoting responsible management of the world's forests. Their certification system provides an internationally recognised standard-setting, and trademark assurance to anyone, business or individual, who is interested in supporting responsible forestry.

All of our timber is hand selected by ourselves resulting in the best quality timber for our products.

Timber Species

We are looking to stock more native timbers in our effort to reduce our carbon foot print on the earth. Our native timbers are now clearly marked across our website making it an easy choice to go greener.

Native Timbers

English Oak (Native)

A traditional timber with its unique grain pattern making it instantly recognisable. It's various hues and grain texture make every chopping board an individual piece.

English Beech (Native)

Beech is pale brown/pink with the occasional reddish streak. A very heavy, dense hardwood that is widely used in furniture making and perfect for our end grain chopping boards.

English Ash (Native)

Beige to light medium brown in colour Ash has characteristics similar with oak in terms of weight and grain structure. Usually found with straight grain ash produces wonderfully heavy and durable chopping boards.

English Sycamore (Native)

Our own British version of American Maple. English Sycamore is a perfect choice when looking for a native replacement for Maple. Smooth, tight grain with an off white appearance, exceptional surface hardness and lustrous grain patterns.

These native timbers below are harder to come by, we may not always have them in stock.

English Walnut (Native)

Similar to it's American counterpart English Walnut is also adored for it's deep rich colour, beautiful, dense and tight grain. The end grain sands to a beautiful smooth finish, while colours range from a creamy white in the sapwood to a dark chocolate in the heartwood.

English Cherry (Native)

Stunningly variable in it's grain and colour. English Cherry can vary from an orangey tinge with an occasional exquisite green streak to a pale pink. This creates some extraordinarily unique looking chopping boards.

Brown Oak (Native)

A deep, chocolate brown colour that is unbelievably still Oak. While varying from light to very dark brown within the same tree we end up with boards in a wide variety of shades.

Imported Timbers

American Black Walnut

Adored for it's deep rich colour, black walnut is a beautiful, dense and tight grained timber. The end grain sands to a beautiful smooth finish, while colours range from a creamy white in the sapwood to a dark chocolate in the heartwood.

American Maple

Impressive durability with a smooth grain pattern. Maple is an exceptionally weighty timber which grows with a consistent light cream colour.

American Cherry

Initially light pink in colour which darkens over time to a rich reddish hue. The wavy unpredictable grain screams texture and can transform a boards surface in a way you will not see in our other species.

Special Timbers

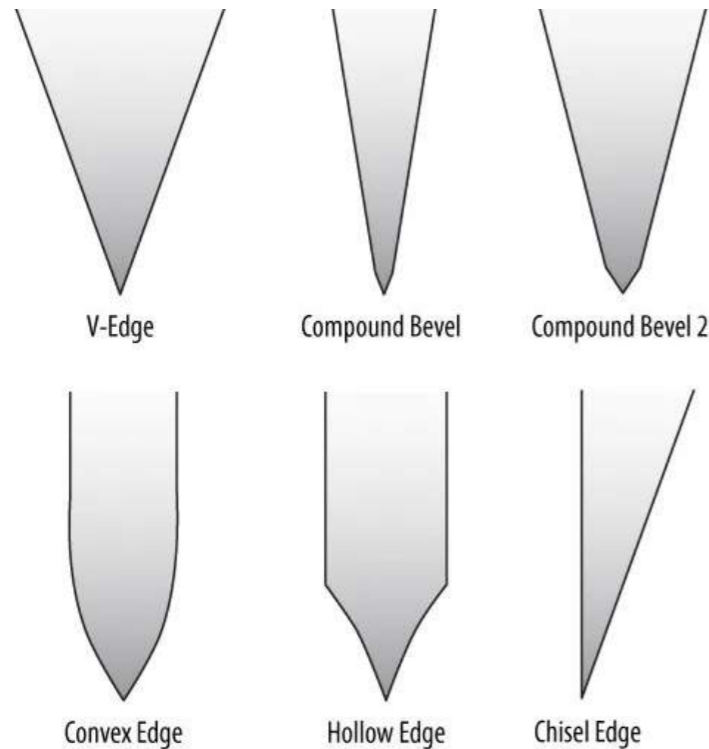
Other Species

Occasionally we source other species such as Wenge, Purple Heart, Iroko, and a few other speciality woods.

What knives are suitable for the block?

Please be aware that being wood there is the potential to scratch these blocks if certain knives are used on it. Knives are required to have a bevel on the side that engages with the block. This means the sharp edge does not touch the block and avoids scratching.

The image below shows a variety of bevels (the sharp end) that are suitable except for the chisel edge. The chisel edge would require the bevel side (Right side of the blade) to engage with the block only.



Packaging

We are strong believers in eco-friendly packaging. We are slowly migrating to almost plastic free, easy recyclable packaging. Currently we source and re-use cardboard from companies that are throwing away packaging from their own deliveries. We sort and re-use as much as we can a second time before they are sent to you and can then finally be recycled. With an increase in demand we are now moving towards Skinner Designs personalised boxes and packaging in order to stream line our delivery process and to create a more professional looking finished product.

Ordering

Ordering couldn't be simpler, just visit our website for all of our made to order options. See our wide range of in-stock knife blocks ready to post straight away.

Approximate Lead Times - as of March 2022

Made to Order - Two to three weeks

In Stock - Three days

If you require a quick turn around or a bespoke item please get in touch and we will try to do our best to meet your needs.

Returns

In the unlikely event you would like to return your Knife Block it would fall in either of these two categories.

Customer Return

If the customer changes their mind and would like a refund they must return the item in the same original condition and packaging. We can organise a return label for you. The customer will then receive a refund minus post and packaging each way after we have received the parcel. There may be a re-stock fee however this will be agreed during the return.

Faulty Product Return

In the unlikely event that an item is delivered damaged, faulty or incorrect we will take full responsibility and organise a return, replacement of goods or a refund. If an item fails within the warranty period as listed under our warranty section we will also replace or refund the item upon receiving it back.

Jamie at Skinner Designs

Jamie has always had a love for carpentry and could often be found playing with tools and a toy work bench from the age of three! Jamie is a maker at heart and loves nothing more than being creative and designing new products.

Early in 2016 Jamie began a journey starting his own business primarily focusing on End Grain Chopping Boards. Starting with just a few items listed on his small Etsy Store; Jamie now has his own website with as many as one hundred boards available as well as made to order options. Skinner Designs has now expanded into high end furniture and more!

