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How We Started

Ed Brooks Furniture is a family business designing and producing outdoor, garden and indoor furniture. Founded in 1999, when chartered landscape architect Ed and his father David were working on a garden design project for a 15th century country cottage. They could not find a suitable gate or bench to fit the irregular walls and organic shapes of the rural setting so David suggested using wind fallen timber in its natural form. They hand split pieces of oak and chestnut following the natural forms and curves. The end result was a huge success and inspired Ed to start sketching. More commissions came in as word spread both locally and gradually all over the UK.

Today the business, based in Wootton Fitzpaine, Dorset, is very much a family affair. Alex, Ed's brother and a furniture maker who trained in London joined the business in 2004. Marion, Ed and Alex's mother takes care of administration and David still continues to lend his expertise on large constructions such as tree houses and bridges.

As well as commissions the range has also expanded to include products such as picture frames, mirrors, stools and timber blocks. The inspiration for these pieces started in the same way – with the natural beauty of the timber. Alex discovered a wind fallen beech tree had spalted to create an exquisite marbled pattern in the timber. This rare timber has been used to create multi-functional beech blocks that make characterful stools or side tables. The roughly textured oak used for the picture frames and mirrors has been an outdoor estate fence for well over a 100 years, before being upcycled.

More information and images can be found on www.edbrooks.com.



A dark stained oak veneer allows us to create a variety of shapes and sizes with pristine finishes. TA7003



Solid slabs of Turkey Oak have been rough sawn, air dried and hand finished. A highly crafted solid sweet chestnut table top with turned legs. TA7030



TA7040



Solid spalted beech table on spalted beech base. TA7010



Chestnut frame with drawer, to support a much loved elm table top.



Chestnut frame with glass inset top.



Organic oak coffee table. TA7050



English elm table built as a trapezium. TA7070



A bespoke range of units were built to fit the quirky shapes of this room. Incorporating drawers, cabinets, corner units and integrating appliances, the units are mdf with a farrow and ball paint finish.



This simple unit has a dark oak finish.



A shaker style dresser in mdf with paint finish and a solid oak top. FI6010





This sleek media unit with solid oak top and spray lacquer finish fits seamlessly into this minimalistic interior. FI6007



A simple storage unit with paint finish offering a variety of storage options. FI6008



This project reused solid oak kitchen units, rearranging them around a new Island unit. The whole kitchen was unified by a bespoke solid cast concrete worktop.



Sawn sweet chestnut steps, split chestnut ballustrades.



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Sawn chestnut framework with glass panels. Stairs within a new build house, note the solid chestnut beams.



Upcycled ladder mirror frame



Upcycled ladder mirror frame



Upcycled ladder picture frame



Upcycled oak mirror frame

Spalted beech candle holder



Spalted beech block. OIF6520



Upcycled oak picture frame OIF6521