

Quality, service and more...

When you purchase from Ecoffins you can take it as read that you will receive a superbly handcrafted product and outstanding service. But there's more to Ecoffins than just that. Here are some other reasons why we hope that you will be pleased with your choice:



The aim of the World Fair Trade Organisation (WFTO) is to fight against poverty, climate change and global economic crises, and their belief is that trade must benefit the most vulnerable and deliver sustainable livelihoods by developing opportunities for disadvantaged producers. Ecoffins has been a member of the WFTO for over 10 years and is the first and only coffin manufacturing company in the world to be granted Fair Trade Status by the WFTO.



Environmentally friendly: All Ecoffins products are 100% natural and bio-degradable with no plastic, metals, screws or staples used in their construction. The materials we use are carefully chosen for their sustainability as well as the low impact their cropping has on the surrounding environment. Due to clever packing "Russian Doll" style even our bamboo coffins shipped from China use no more fuel on their voyage from the Far East to the UK than a five mile car journey.



The Investors in People Standard is the sign of a great employer, a high performing place to work with a clear commitment to sustainability. The prestigious Gold Award recognises the commitment and passion of the Ecoffins team and means we are considered to have the highest standards of people management and development supporting our business goals.



The National Association of Funeral Directors is dedicated to maintaining the highest of standards in the funeral business across the UK for over 100 years. Ecoffins have been supplier members of the organisation for over 15 years.



The Association of Green Funeral Directors promotes greener and more natural funerals to funeral directors and members of the public. Ecoffins is a Founding Member of the Association.



The Coffin, Casket & Shroud Association sets a standard for coffins, caskets and shrouds sold in the UK, in particular those used for cremation. It has helped to bring alternative and innovative goods into the mainstream. Ecoffins is a Founding Member of the Association.



Confidence in our products: All our coffins are suitable for cremation or burial and supplied with solid flat bases with finger grips, load bearing handles and are weight tested up to 23 stone. There are no extra costs, as our coffins are delivered fully fitted with cotton liners, headrest and bamboo nameplate, that can be engraved if required.









Willow Eco2

Willow is a fast-growing, perennial, highly sustainable and renewable material which can be annually harvested and will immediately begin regrowing without new tilling and planting. Willow's fast regrowth keeps pace with the rate of harvesting, unlike the trees used in traditional coffin manufacturing which are cut down at a faster rate than they can regrow. Available in Round and Traditional shapes.









Bamboo Eco2

Bamboo is a highly sustainable plant and can grow to full size in just 3-4 months, compared to standard trees which can take 30+ years to grow, making it an incredible alternative to sources of wood materials used in traditional coffin manufacture. It also requires no fertiliser to grow and self-regenerates from its own roots, so it doesn't need to be replanted. Available in Round and Traditional shapes.









English Willow Eco2

English Willow Eco2 is our most environmentally friendly coffin to date. An innovative synergy of materials, the Eco2 combines beautiful, high quality, hand woven willow, with an eco-friendly interior structure making the coffin incredibly strong and light. The English Willow Eco2 is available in either Traditional or Round ended styles. Standard colours are Light, Brown and Green with the colour variations being achieved naturally by drying, boiling or stripping the bark. A further range of natural dye colours are also available.





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English Willow

Our English Willow coffins are handcrafted by skilled workers with long family histories in willow weaving, using traditional methods. Willow has been grown on the Somerset Levels for centuries and has the unique ability to regenerate repeatedly from the same crown for 30 to 40 years. Once harvested it can grow back to the same height in a year. Our English Willow coffins are available in either Traditional or Round ended styles and in a range of colours. Our standard colours are Light, Brown and Green with the colour variations being achieved naturally by drying, boiling or stripping the bark. A further range of natural dye colours are also available.





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English Willow Green & Light

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English Willow Colours

Our English Willow coffins are handcrafted by skilled workers with long family histories in willow weaving, using traditional methods. English Willow has been grown on the Somerset Levels for centuries and has the unique ability to regenerate annually from the same crown for 30 to 40 years. Our English Willow coffins are available in either traditional or round ended styles in a range of colours created with natural dyes. Bespoke designs can also be hand-made to any size, shape or colour variation.





Willow Highsted

The Highsted is a traditionally shaped coffin handcrafted from willow using traditional methods. The willow is woven onto a self-supporting frame giving them exceptional strength while remaining incredibly light. Willow is a deciduous tree found primarily on moist soil in cold and temperate regions of the Northern Hemisphere. Willow is a renewable, annually harvested crop and a highly sustainable material for coffins, compared to solid hardwoods from trees which can take thirty to sixty years to reach maturity. Our Willow Highsted coffins are manufactured in the EU using cottage industry methods - in which people work in their own homes and use their own equipment - using European Willow.





Willow Cromer

The Cromer is a round ended coffin with gently tapered sides handcrafted from willow using traditional methods. Willow is a deciduous tree found primarily on moist soil in cold and temperate regions of the Northern Hemisphere. Almost all willows take root very readily from cuttings taken from the original crown, or even where broken branches are left lying on the ground. Our Willow Cromer coffins are manufactured in the EU using cottage industry methods - in which people work in their own homes and use their own equipment - using European Willow. Available in either Natural Buff coloured or Light Willow with woven willow handles and toggle lid fasteners.





Willow Pod

The Willow Pod is handcrafted from willow using traditional methods and has a unique shape. Following a traditional coffin shaped footprint, the sides of the base taper out slightly and the coffin is topped with a highly sculpted curved lid. Willow is a deciduous tree found primarily on moist soil in cold and temperate regions of the Northern Hemisphere. Willow is a renewable, annually harvested crop and a highly sustainable material for coffins, compared to solid hardwoods from trees which can take thirty to sixty years to reach maturity. Our Willow Pod coffins are manufactured in the EU using cottage industry methods - in which people work in their own homes and use their own equipment - using European Willow.





Coloured Coffins

Our coffins can be custom sprayed to any colour of your choosing to create a colourful, individual tribute to a loved one. We use only environmentally friendly, advanced water-based paints which provide a smooth, satin finish coat alongside a great range of colours to choose from. We can also create combinations of colours to produce flag colours, football team kit colours, regimental colours, club colours or anything else that could bring a unique and fitting personal touch to a coffin. Some of the most popular colours are featured below.





Bamboo Eco

A beautifully crafted bamboo coffin woven from sustainable split bamboo, manufactured by our company in China. The coffins are handmade and 100% bio-degradable with no nails, screws or glues used in manufacture. Bamboo is the fastest growing plant on earth and absorbs more CO_2 for its weight than any other plant. Our species of bamboo Phyllostachys Pubescens does not form any part of the Chinese panda's diet and they do not live in Hunan Province where our company is located, so our production does not in any way affect this endangered species. All of our bamboo products are made in World Fair Trade Organisation accredited workshops.





Bamboo Lattice

The Bamboo Lattice coffin is constructed of two different layers of woven bamboo which gives it a distinctive and unique appearance. A criss-cross pattern of stripped bamboo bark covers an intricately woven layer of soft bamboo creating a striking contrast. Bamboo is the fastest growing plant on the planet; it grows up to a metre per day and absorbs more CO_2 for its weight than any other plant. All of our bamboo products are made in World Fair Trade Organisation accredited workshops.





Banana Leaf

Our banana coffins are made from banana cord woven around a natural cane framework. Banana cord is made using the dried woven leaves of the banana, an annual plant, after the plant has produced its fruit and died back each year. Rattan is also woven into the coffins design to create a striking contrast with the banana cords burnt golden appearance. Banana plants are often mistaken for trees as their main stem can reach a height of up to 8 metres; but they are in fact the world's largest known herb. The stem is not made of wood, but tightly coiled leaves. All of our banana products are made in World Fair Trade Organisation accredited workshops.



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<u>Pandanus</u>

Our Pandanus coffins are made from the leaves of a prolific wild plant which grows rapidly in the watery environments of Southeast Asia and is cultivated as a highly renewable and sustainable material. The leaves are dried and then spun into long yarns which are then woven and coiled around a natural cane framework. Rattan is also woven into the coffins design to create a striking lightweight contrast against the leaf yarn's silvery appearance. Our Pandanus coffins are manufactured in Indonesia in only World Fair Trade Organisation accredited workshops.



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Caskets

These caskets are made from a variety of materials, all chosen for their low impact on the environment. Our models Ebony and Cerise achieve their striking look through a combination of bands of banana, pandanus and rattan, here dyed in red or black. These two models are made in World Fair Trade accredited workshops. Pine is a casket made from sustainable pine with a smooth surface, unwaxed and untreated, allowing the natural grain to be seen at its best on the gently curved lid.





Cardboard

Our cardboard coffins are manufactured in the UK from corrugated cardboard materials produced from unbleached pulp containing a minimum of 80% recycled paper and wood pulp sourced from sustainable forests. They are 100% biodegradable and cremate with 90% lower carbon emissions than a standard chipboard coffin. The cardboard is folded in such a way that the structure is multi-layered and incredibly strong; they can support a weight of over 23 stone (146kg). Only natural, corn starch based glues are used in their construction. Our standard cardboard coffins will support a weight of 23 stone. Each comes with six natural cotton rope handles





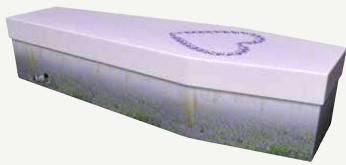
Picture Cardboard

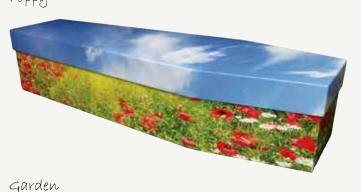
Our Picture Cardboard coffins are manufactured in the UK from corrugated cardboard materials produced from unbleached pulp containing a minimum of 80% recycled paper plus wood pulp sourced from sustainable forests. The product is 100% biodegradable and they cremate with 90% lower carbon emissions than a standard chipboard coffin. Only natural, corn starch based glues are used in their construction and the picture finishes are not vinyl wraps but are printed directly onto the cardboard to maintain their environmentally friendly credentials. Our picture coffins give you the option of sharing some of your memories in images. If you cannot find the right model in our range, we can help you design a bespoke version by creating a personalised picture coffin with your selection of images. Natural cotton rope handles are also available (not pictured).





Bluebells





Seaside Sunset





Daffodils





Lily



Shroud and Stretcher

Burial shrouds have been used for centuries made from materials such as wool, hemp, flax and even silk. Our bamboo shrouds are made from tightly woven, unbleached bamboo yarn, a highly sustainable and renewable material. The willow stretcher is made with dark, barked willow which gives it a rustic, earthy appearance. 100% bio-degradable, the shroud and stretcher are ideal for natural burial but are also suitable for every type of funeral service including cremation.





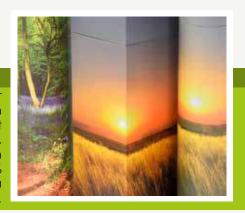






Scattering Ashes Tubes

Our scattering ashes tubes make an ideal high quality and easy to use container for ashes until a final resting place has been chosen. No glue is required as each tube can be cleanly filled and completely sealed for storage of the ashes. At a later date, the ashes are easily accessible for scattering at a chosen spot. Alternatively, they can be kept as a much more environmentally friendly option to a standard metal or plastic urn. Made from recycled cardboard they are 100% bio-degradable and suitable for burial. Available in different styles each has a high quality finish designed to be as seamless as possible around the entire urn.









Woodland Walk Square





Sunset Field



Poppy Field



Bluebell Wood



Tranquil Beach



Artísts's Purple Flower



Laser Engraving

Make your woven coffin choice an even more individual tribute with our personalised laser engraved nameplates. Using our bespoke laser engraving service you can add photos, decorative pictures, frames, badges, poems, quotes or anything of poignance to a nameplate in stunning detail. Each nameplate can be tailored to your needs with a choice of either oval, rectangular or heart shaped plates as standard or the option of a bespoke cut out shape of your choice. Each Ecoffin comes with a strip nameplate which can also be laser engraved in a choice of two fonts; Times New Roman and Lucida Handwriting.



















Engraved sports clubs, regimental badges, coat-of-arms, national eblems, etc







Decorative engravings to your specifications



Name plates can be laser cut to any shape





Fonts



Engraving for ashes caskets also available

Infant Caskets

Each of our infant caskets are handmade to the highest standards. Woven from 100% natural materials without the use of screws or glue, they are available in Banana, Pandanus, and either light or natural coloured willow. Bespoke options are available for a personalised touch. We are able to paint the caskets with water based, environmentally friendly paints if colours such as blue, pink or white are desired. Smaller versions of our willow Highsted and Cromer are also available. The Bamboo, Banana and Pandanus caskets are crafted in World Fair Trade Organisation Workshops. Our Willow caskets are produced in the EU.









