NORTON TILE COMPANY traditional hand painted delft tiles

The Delft Collections
Green Delft

An independent studio workshop dedicated to creating beautiful delft using traditional skills.

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Introduction

Welcome to this ***catalogue*** of our green delft tiles. The use of copper based glazes (verdigris is the familiar patina of copper objects exposed to the elements) enabled early delft tile makers to create a variety of ***Green*** designs and we have re-created some delightful examples based on traditional styles. At Norton Tile we have specialised in making delft tiles for many years and today we are one of the very few tile workshops in Europe still using the original tile maker's methods. All our tiles are individually ***hand painted*** by us in our workshop in rural Sussex.

The catalogue shows our carefully considered collection of green delft ***design (or picture) tiles*** and whilst they are all our own work we readily acknowledge we have leant heavily on original 16th and 17th century designs. Where a less intense decoration is sought we recommend mixing design tiles with ***'corners only'*** tiles - often in a ratio of six 'corners only' tiles to each design tile. The use of 'corners only' tiles in this way maintains the delft style throughout the tiled area.

The tiles are arranged in ***Collections*** of six designs following a particular theme but please feel free to ***mix and match*** from the collections to create your own personal selection. And if you can't find exactly what you are looking for in these collections then we offer a ***bespoke*** service and would be happy to create designs specifically for you – perhaps you have a particular theme in mind, want to include a personal image, or have seen delft designs you have fallen in love with. Sometimes people decide just to include one or two bespoke designs to add to their selection of tiles from our Collections. Ultimately the choice is entirely yours. Find out more about bespoke tiles on our website or simply get in touch by telephone or email. You will find our ***contact details*** at the end of the catalogue.

Whilst we are talking about choice we also have delft collections in ***other glaze colours*** – blue, crimson, sepia, and polychrome. You can find out more and download catalogues from our website.

Just to add a further thought - the original delft style decorations were in the form of ***tile panels***, sometimes covering a whole wall, using many individual tiles to create a single overall image or design. What we generally think of today as delft tiles, with a complete design on a single tile, came somewhat later. We can create traditional hand painted delft panels in pretty much any size and design of your choice. We would be delighted to discuss your ideas so please contact us for further details.

Because you really do need to hold one in your hand and to touch and see the real thing, we are always very pleased to send ***sample tiles***.

Above all we want you to ***enjoy*** every aspect of your delft tiles so if you have any questions please do get in touch.

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Information

Tile dimensions

All tiles are approximately five inches by five inches (the traditional size for delft tiles) The dimensions of individual tiles may be subject to a degree of variation.

Prices

Prices are fully inclusive except for delivery which will depend upon your location and is charged separately at cost.

Ordering and delivery

You can place an order by telephone, email or post. If you are ordering tiles from our Delft Collections then each tile has a reference (eg CFLOWER6) which can be used to help compile your order.

Once we receive your order we will advise you of the total price, including delivery, and the estimated delivery time which will depend upon the size of your order and the existing work schedule in our studio. We will confirm with you that this is all in order.

Orders for bespoke tiles or tile panels cannot be cancelled or returned.

Once your tiles are ready we will contact you again to agree a delivery date (we will need somebody to be available at the delivery address to receive the tiles) and to ask for payment which can be made by bank transfer, credit/debit card (we accept all major credit and debit cards) or by cheque. If you choose to pay by cheque we will need to allow several days for the payment to clear before the tiles are dispatched.

Above all we want the whole experience of you choosing and owning our delft tiles to be an enjoyable one so if at any stage there is anything you wish to discuss please do get in touch

Sample tiles

We are always very pleased to send sample tiles.

As our tiles are made to order for each customer we only keep a small stock of tiles to send as samples. As a result, while we can send you a particular glaze colour (ie blue, green, sepia, crimson or polychrome) we cannot undertake to send a specific design (eg flowers). However, because these tiles are held in stock we can usually dispatch them by first class post the same day. You can order a sample tile online at our website by credit/debit card.

Terms of business

All business is accepted subject to our terms and conditions. A copy is available on request or can be viewed at our website.

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