

MAKE A POUFFE IN A DAY

A ONE-day workshop
9:30am to 5pm

Next available workshop dates are listed on the website



Pouffes are back! Last in vogue in the seventies, modern pouffes are gorgeously neat, cleverly versatile and superbly bespoke... offering a fun way to bring glorious colour and fabric into a room. At TUS we also know they're the perfect taster project for upholstery beginners.

On this busy, fun one-day workshop course you will make your own pouffe, upholster it and cover it in your choice of fabric. You'll use modern materials, professional air-powered staple guns and will have our clever friendly tutors guiding you through every step. Adding fringe or bobble trimming as a final flourish is encouraged and purely optional.

It's a creative and great fun day and there's a huge sense of achievement and pride when you take home your own beautiful, useful and completely unique piece of furniture.

As always this course is fuelled with plenty of tea, coffee, cake and great company. Students will be standing for most of the day so do wear comfy clothes and shoes.



Pouffe frames

You will be provided with

- A round pouffe frame in a choice of two sizes: 38cm dia x 36cm high; 45dia x 41cm high.
- All the foam, calico and wadding you will need
- Specialist upholstery tools for use on the course
- Tea, coffee and a full biscuit tin all day.

What to bring?

For the smaller frame (38cm dia x 36cm high) 1m of fabric will suffice. You will need 1.5m fringe trimming, if you are using it.

For the larger frame (45dia x 41cm high) bring 2m fabric.

Please note that these calculations are based on a standard fabric width of 1.37m and allow a little extra for pattern repeats. If your fabric's pattern repeat is very large, allow an extra 0.5m. Feel free to email us for advice.

And don't forget:

- Camera or smartphone (to capture the best bits...)
- A notebook and pencil (...to write down the important bits)



- Something for lunch.
There's a microwave, sink and kettle in the kitchen area and the village shop is a three-minute drive away. There's usually a 'lunch dash' for those who need something. Many students however are keen to crack on with their projects so take a short-ish lunch break in the workroom.
- Take as many or as few breaks as you want. We want you to achieve what you want but it's meant to be relaxed, informal and fun too.

Timetable

We need some undisturbed time to set up the class first thing. You are welcome to arrive from 9.10am onwards. Classes begin at 9.30am and end at 5pm.

Health and safety

As with all soft furniture and upholstery crafts, there are some small risks due to the processes and tools involved.

There will be a short health and safety talk at the start, covering things like working safely with the staple guns.

Parking

The course is held at the workshops of the Traditional Upholstery School in Wiltshire. The address is Holt Holdings, East Lane, Holt, Wiltshire, BA14 6QU.

When you drive in through the main gate, park on the left in a visitors parking space. The school is inside the metal gates. The entrance is halfway along the large wooden barn-like building.

Directions

From Holt on the B3107 towards Melksham

After Holt, take the first left into East Lane immediately after Hillview Riding Stables, signposted 'Atworth' and 'Broughton Gifford'.



Holt Holdings is about 200 metres along on the left. You'll see a broken convex mirror in the hedge opposite the turning in to Holt Holdings.

From Melksham on the B3107 towards Holt and Bradford on Avon

About two miles along this winding road you left. Immediately after, take a sharp right turning into East Lane, which is signposted 'Atworth' and 'Broughton Gifford'. Holt Holdings is about 200 metres along the East Lane on the left. You'll see a convex mirror in the hedge opposite the turning.

Booking

Places on these courses are limited in order to maximise experience. Course dates and availability can be found on the [website](#) and you can book your place there too.

Any other queries?

If you have any requests, questions or concerns, please get in touch. Email traditionalupholsterschool@gmail.com.

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