



ROCKINGHAM

Fender Seats

... combining the solid virtues
of the blacksmith's art
with the designer's eye
for harmonious style.

Why use Rockingham Fender Seats?

Rockingham Fender Seats have been producing solid, bespoke fender seats for over 20 years, here in our workshops in Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, UK. All our fender seats are lovingly hand crafted by our own skilled craftsmen, so can be finished to your exact requirements.

We can help you with measuring and can even visit you to measure and discuss design and materials; please just ask. If you wish to use your own fabrics to upholster the seats - we can do that too.

Bespoke fender seats have been made by Rockingham Fender Seats for many and diverse clients, including several members of the British Royal family and aristocracy, the American ambassador in London, the Jockey Club, Cabinet Ministers past and present and countless celebrities both in the UK and abroad. There is an increasing market in the USA and France for English Fenders.

If you have a club fender in need of repair, our craftsmen can - in most cases - carry out the necessary work, including full restoration to return an old faithful to its original condition. We can even adapt your existing club fender to fit a new home.

Our craftsmen also make bespoke low level fenders and fender guards, and we supply firecurtains, fireguards and fireplace accessories of the highest quality, made here in the United Kingdom.

We ship our products across the world; often delivering to as far afield as the USA and Australia.

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The History of Fender Seats

The Club Fender originally came to popularity in the Edwardian era. Initially a purely functional means of providing additional seating in billiard rooms and libraries, it rapidly developed as an attractive piece of furniture, enhancing the drawing rooms of fashionable houses whilst still retaining its original functionality. It fell briefly out of fashion in the austerity that followed the second world war but has since undergone a revival as its qualities are appreciated once again.

At Rockingham Fender Seats we are proud inheritors of this legacy, combining the solid virtues of the blacksmith's art with the designer's eye for harmonious style. Appropriate to both period and contemporary houses, our fender seats are available in a variety of styles and finishes, providing a warm and satisfying look to your room.

As our fenders are custom built to each order, we are able to advise and design to your exact specification, without obligation.



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Bespoke Club Fenders

Fender style and material

Our bespoke club fenders are handmade and we offer a choice of brass, copper, bronze, steel and wood or any combination of these.

Brass - copper or bronze - polished only, polished and lacquered or antiqued and lacquered.

Steel - brushed is a silvery steel.
burnished is a gun metal dark grey.

Black - hardened paint, either satin or matt.

Chrome

Wood - oak, mahogany, pine and many more varieties - stained to customer's requirements.

All metal finishes are lacquered for additional protection and to avoid the need for cleaning.

Available with formed profile bases, the fenders can have a curved or square dip, straight across or central gap, or be a pair of corner seats.

The seats can be upholstered in a variety of leather colours or can be covered in a fabric of your choice including suede.



These are some examples of Club Fenders we have made here in our workshops. Each one was made individually to the design and materials that our customer chose.

We invite you to select your club fender in the same way.



Solid Brass - elliptical dip with alternate twists and straight uprights with deep buttoned seats

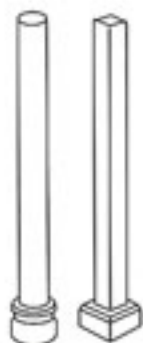


Burnished Steel - curved dip with round uprights



Brushed Steel - straight across with square uprights, twisted uprights on the corners with steel collars

All uprights are made of solid metal bar, whether they be square or round, or with twists or reeded. They can be fitted with round or square collars and fenders may be further enhanced with decorative scrollwork, or central turnings.



Round or square uprights with or without round or square collars



Central twists



Twists



Reeded uprights



Roped uprights



Central turning

Bespoke Club Fenders

2428C
Solid Brass - elliptical
dip, roped uprights and
turnings



256C
Satin Black - curved dip
and scrolls

2077C
Burnished Steel /
Solid Brass -
exact copy of original
purchased for £6000.00
at Christies



43C
Burnished Steel - elliptical
dip, scrolls and twists



Bespoke Club Fenders

2367C
Solid Brass - square dip



916C
Solid Brass - straight across



1945C
Brushed Steel /
Solid Brass - curved
dip and collars



258C
Brushed Steel - curved
dip and brass collars

Bespoke Club Fenders

1987C
Burnished Steel -
straight across with
brass collars



1359C
Burnished Steel - gap



3941C
Art Deco, Antiqued
Brass - square dip



1813C
Oak / Antiqued Brass -
curved dip and turnings

Bespoke Club Fenders

3897C
Light Oak - straight
across



4371C
Satin Black - gap



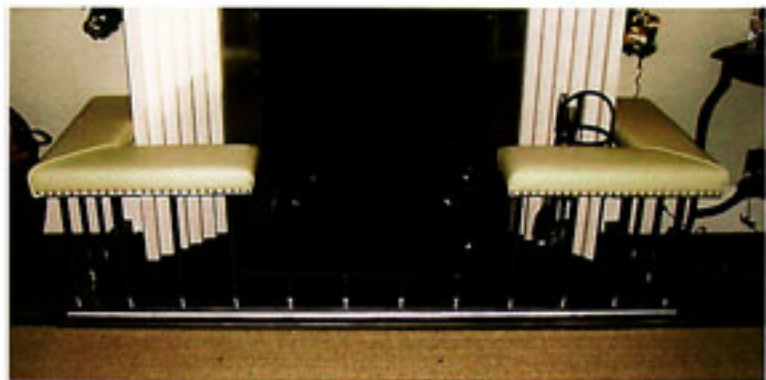
2296C
Natural Oak -
square dip



3459C
Burnished Steel - straight
across

Bespoke Club Fenders

2818C
Medium Oak / Brass - gap



4471C
Brushed Steel -
square dip

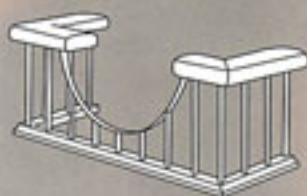


4249C
Chrome -
straight across



4510C
Burnished Steel - curved
dip

Bespoke Club Fenders Styles



CURVED DIP

Available with these base sections



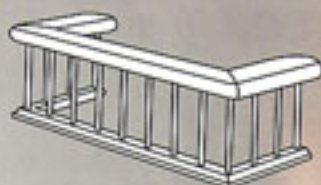
Small
Formed



Large
Formed



Box
Base



STRAIGHT ACROSS

Available with these base sections



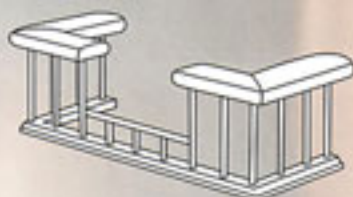
Small
Formed



Large
Formed



Box
Base



SQUARE DIP

Available with these base sections



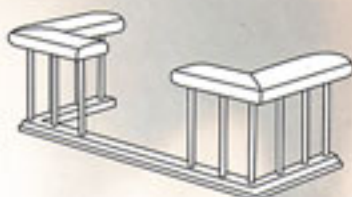
Small
Formed



Large
Formed



Box
Base



GAP

Available with these base sections



Small
Formed



Large
Formed



Box
Base



ELLIPTICAL DIP

Available with these base sections



Small
Formed



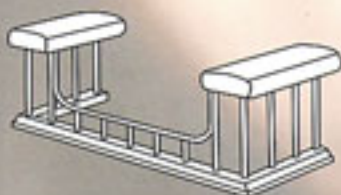
Large
Formed



Box
Base

Bespoke Club Fenders

Styles



WIDE ROUNDED DIP

Available with these base sections



Small
Formed



Large
Formed



Box
Base



Stepped
(Wood only)



CORNER SEATS

Available with these base sections



Small
Formed



Large
Formed



Box
Base

WOOD BASES ONLY



SEMI CIRCULAR (Curved base)

Available with these base sections



Stepped (Base made in wood to your desired style and finish)



BOW FRONT

Available with these base sections



Box
Base



Stepped
(Wood only)

Bespoke Club Fenders

Features

Frame material

We offer a choice of brass, copper, bronze, steel and wood or any combination of these.

Brass - Copper or bronze - polished only, polished and lacquered or antiqued and lacquered.

Steel - Brushed is a silvery steel.
Burnished is a gun metal dark grey.

Black - Hardened paint, either satin or matt.

Chrome

Wood - Oak, Mahogany, Pine and many more varieties - stained to customer's requirements.
Also made in any combination of material.

Base specification

Brass/Copper/Bronze/Steel - formed base (curved with radius)

Normal size base - 3 1/4" (85mm) wide x 2 1/4" (55mm) high

High base - 3 1/2" (90mm) wide x 3" (75mm) high

In addition, box sections or bases of other heights and widths can be made.

Wood - solid laminated or formed base - to height and width required.

Uprights, collars and turnings

Uprights can be in various sizes from 5/8" (16mm) to 1" (25mm) and are square, round or twisted.
In addition, for brass, we offer roped and reeded uprights in 3/4" (19mm).

Collars in brass, copper, bronze or steel, usually fitted at base of the upright.

Turnings usually centrally mounted.

Seats

Normally 7" (180mm) wide, but can be made to the width required and covered in our dyed leathers in the colour of your choice, plain or deep buttoned. Seats are also upholstered in fabrics supplied by either the customer or ourselves. Decorative studding, piping etc. as required.

Infill plates

If there is to be a gap between the inside of the fender base and the hearthstone we offer an infill plate and attach it to the base to protect the carpet or floor from sparks and hot ashes.

Spark guards

Brass or steel guards can be fitted to the inside of the seats to protect the leather or fabric from the heat of the fire. (Normally only required with straight across fenders).

Surface finish

All fenders are treated with clear lacquer at no extra cost to provide protection against tarnishing.
Please use non-abrasive polish on this surface.

Normally only a duster is required.

Please note there is no protection for damage by steel heel caps or sharp objects.

Manor House Club Fenders

The "Manor House" range in all sizes up to 60" (1524mm) x 18" (457mm) internal base

- All sizes are offered in solid brass, brushed, burnished or satin black steel.
- A choice of at least 12 leather samples available on request.
- Choice of design - curved central dip, square dip, straight across seat or a gap in the centre.
- Customers own fabric upholstered free of charge.
- Delivery 4 to 6 weeks.
- Free advice (free visit to measure and advise if necessary).

All our Manor House Club Fenders are handmade and are of the same high quality as our Bespoke Club Fenders.

The uprights are made from solid metal bar and can be fitted with hand turned round or square collars if required.



Burnished Steel, straight across, square 5/8" uprights, brass collars and deep buttoned seat in antique brown leather.

Brushed Steel, curved dip, square 5/8" uprights, round steel collars and customers own fabric.



Brass base, with curved dip, square and twisted 5/8" uprights and round collars. Seats upholstered in blue leather with spaced brass studs.



Low Fenders



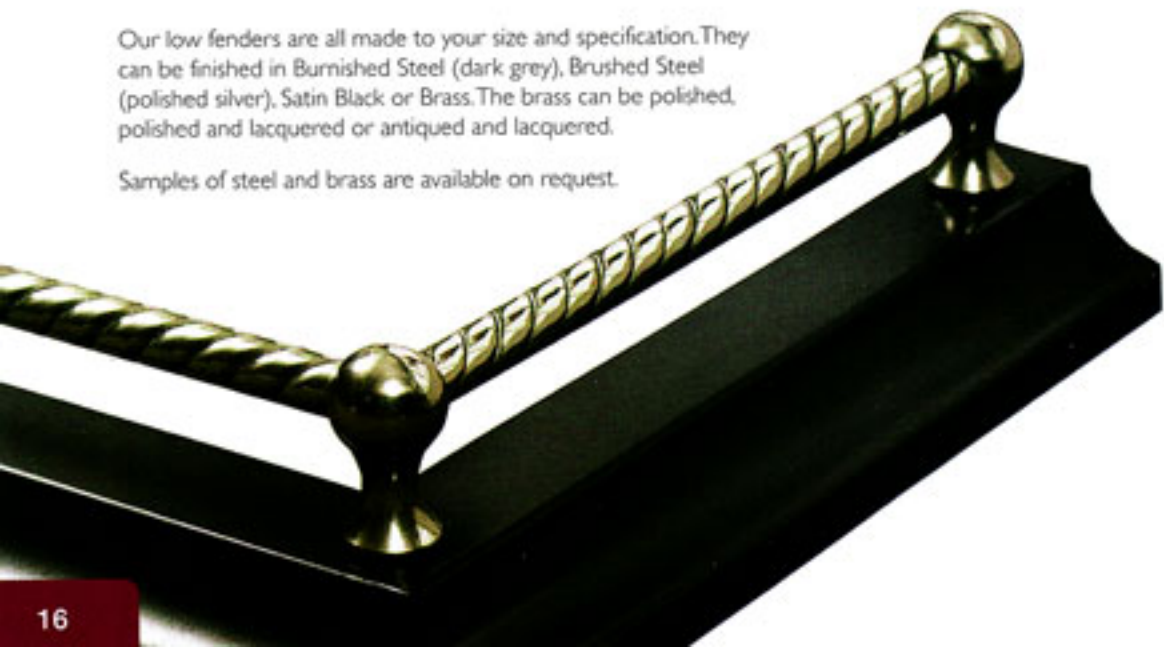
Black - 6 ball broken rail in antiqued brass



Brass Bobbin Fender

Our low fenders are all made to your size and specification. They can be finished in Burnished Steel (dark grey), Brushed Steel (polished silver), Satin Black or Brass. The brass can be polished, polished and lacquered or antiqued and lacquered.

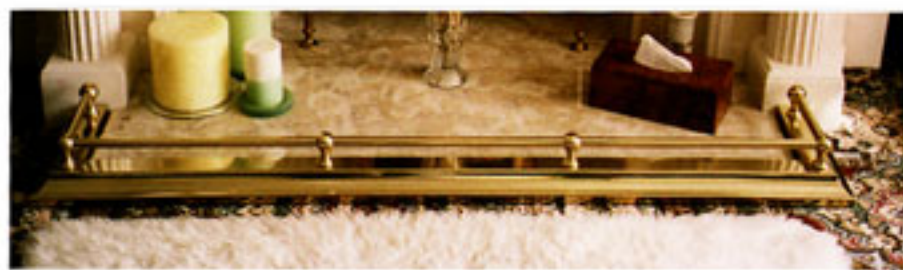
Samples of steel and brass are available on request.



Low Fenders



Black - 5 ball continuous rail in roped brass polished and lacquered



Solid Brass - 6 ball continuous rail polished and lacquered

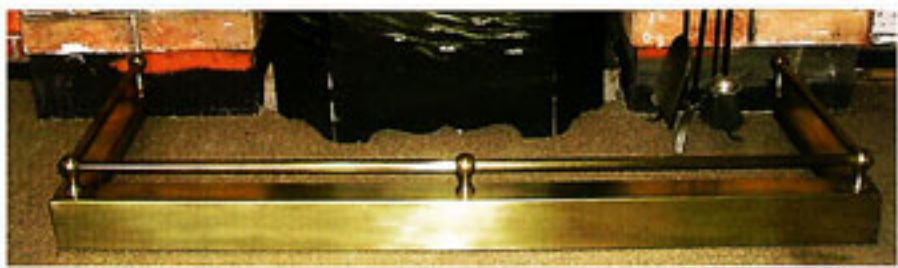


Brushed Steel - Square posts and rail



Solid Brass - 6 ball broken rail in lightly antiqued brass

Low Fenders



Brass Box Base - 5 rail continuous rail in dulled brass



Bobbin Fender - rope in burnished steel, bobbins and rail in brass



Burnished Steel - 8 ball, 5 sided
polished, lacquered brass rail

Satin Black - double
broken corner rail in brass



Fireguards

Fireguards are all made to your size and specification and fitted with a fine mesh.

Finished in Satin Black.



Standard Flat



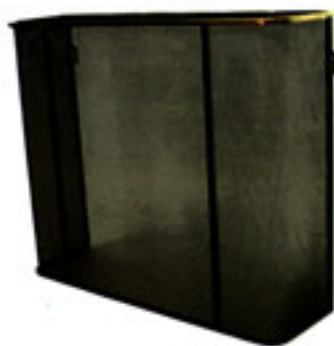
Arched Flat Screen



Standard Winged



Standard Bent
(with or without top)



Nursery Guard
(with or without top)



Arched Winged Screen
(7" return)



Wedge Screen

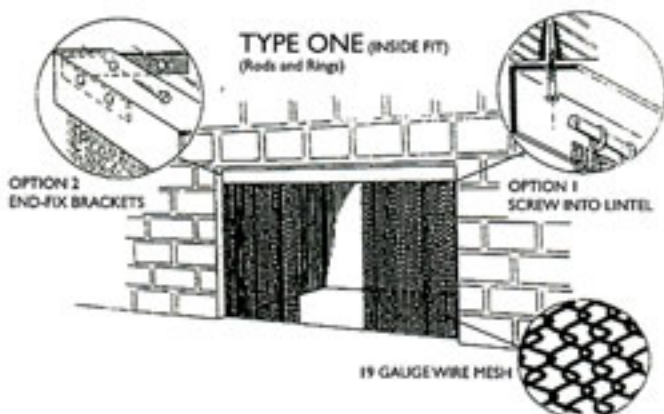
Mesh Fire Curtains

Tailor Made and Easy to Install

Spark Curtains are manufactured to suit all fireplaces, inglenooks, canopies, hoods etc. These are available in 19 gauge mesh in black, brass or stainless steel.

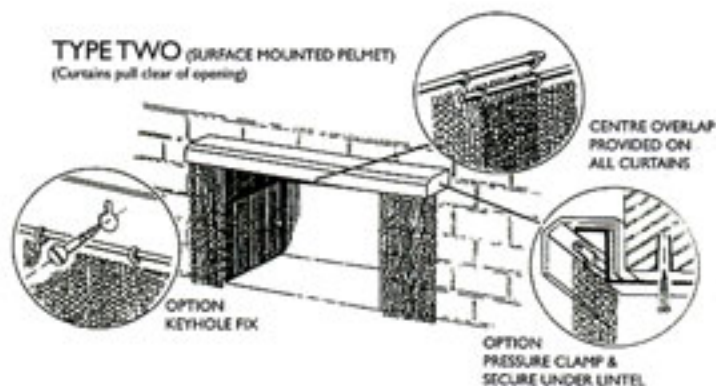
Type One (Inside Fit)

They are supplied complete with a 40mm x 40mm (1.5") pelmet/lintel bar to match the colour of the mesh. Included in the quoted price are one and half times the width of the fireplace opening in mesh to give a good drape together with an overlap in the middle, plus all fixtures and fittings.



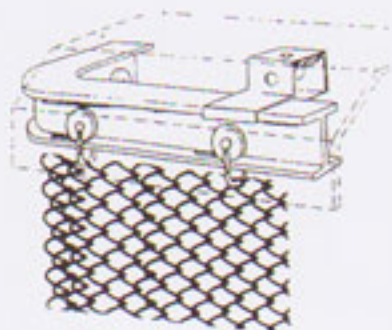
Type Two (Surface Mounted Pelmet)

Surface mounted pelmet to enable curtains to be drawn clear of the opening where the curtains would limit the view of the fire (surface mounted pelmets are charged extra)



Type Three

Normally supplied for any fireplace opening in excess of 106cm (42"). They consist of an "L" section aluminium rail with wheels, which enable the rail to be bent round corners into inglenooks, pelmets or hoods. As with other curtains, type three comes mounted on a 40 x 40mm pelmet/lintel bar which can be fixed by most of the quoted options.



Side Returns – for inglenooks, canopies etc., type three can be turned on a 75m (3") radius to enable the curtains to be stored out of sight down the insides of the fireplace opening when not in use.

Note: 300mm (12") of our mesh will occupy 30mm (1") of rail space each side when stored in the open position. However, do not forget that we supply one and half times the opening width and include this in your calculations.

Ordering Information

We must have actual clear inside dimensions of fireplace opening i.e. "width" and "height". We will calculate length and width of curtain required and allow for pelmet type specified. As with fabric curtains we allow 1.5 times the width in actual mesh supplied, there is also a 3" overlap at the centre.

Type One: Specify Lintel Fix Option 1
End Fix Option 2

Type Two: Length of pelmet required.
(a) We still need actual height and width of opening.
(b) Price is calculated for pelmet types on length of pelmet not width of opening.

Type Three: With or without "L" section pelmet.

Customer Testimonials

"Our fender seat is so beautiful and we are thrilled that it's a perfect fit. The workmanship and attention to details is superb. It has been such a pleasure working with you that we hate for it to end! You made the seat in under four weeks and then quickly turned around and shipped it out. I couldn't believe how easily it made it through customs. I ordered my furniture from the states, which is in storage, two weeks ago and the fender arrived first. My new home now sits with my first piece of furniture in it - the fender seat! We love it. Thank you so much." *(South Carolina, USA)*

"Thank you all so very much for the most beautiful fender - it looks marvellous and we are both thrilled to bits with it." *(Switzerland)*

"Many thanks for the fender, it arrived yesterday and it has bettered our expectations!" *(Macclesfield, Cheshire)*


"I want to take this opportunity to say how great you have all been! At a time when service, decent communications, responsiveness and just plain courtesy seem all-too-often to be but dim vestigial memories of a by-gone era, you guys have excelled. Well done!" *(France)*

"Over the Holiday season, we had many compliments about the fender from friends and relatives who visited us. The warm seat on the fender next to the fireplace was the most popular place in the house!" *(New York, USA)*

"We were absolutely thrilled with what you have made for us. Everything fits absolutely spot-on and the workmanship is superb. Your small team of craftsmen are indeed just that. Bravo Zulu, as we say in the RN" *(Argyll)*

"It has been a pleasure to do business with you and I wish to say that I have been impressed by your professionalism in sorting out my order; your help with guiding us with regard to measurements etc. and with the way you have kept us informed. The fender is magnificent and we are thrilled with it. I know that it will be much admired by all our friends and I shall commend you to all of them." *(Banffshire)*

"The fire curtain has totally solved the problem we used to have of burn marks on the carpets surrounding the fireplace. We should have installed one years ago." *(B.L, UK)*



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