

GUIDE TO UPHOLSTERY SERVICES



FINELINE UPHOLSTERERS SPECIALIZE IN:

- Re- upholstery
- Bespoke Upholstery
- Antique Restoration
- Loose Covers
- Foam Products
- Curtains & Fabrics
- Cushions
- French Polishing & Cane Repair



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ABOUT COMPANY

FINELINE UPHOLSTERY is a well-established London-based traditional upholsterer and restorer of antiques and modern furniture. The business is family owned, and dates back to the 1940's in Tanzania where the original company, Metro Furnishers, closed, due to the family moving to England in the 1960's. The family diversified into textiles, clothing and fashion, returning later to their original passion: furniture creation and restoration.

As specialist upholsterers, we work on a wide range of furniture. Our experienced team is trained to understand the unique needs of each client and to provide a high level of customer service. We aim to provide an unequal quality at an affordable and competitive price.

Upholsterer's work from the frame upwards, in much the same way a furniture maker does. So if your existing piece has a good frame, there is some saving to be had. Using modern materials and traditional skills we provide results that are often even better than the original. In the hands of the professional you receive value for money and quality that is hard to match. If you seek custom made furnishings, rest assured we provide them in any shape or size. We are happy to take on both private and contract work. All work is normally carried out in our workshop, however if furniture removal from your premises is not possible we can do the work on site. We arrange pick-ups and deliveries so that the work is completed and returned to you in as little time as possible.

You can also find our latest news & check our profile updates on www.facebook.com/finelineupholstery, as we have added some features to our services. There are some exclusive pieces of restored antiques for sale, and other inspiration and good advice for your individual needs and taste, at our Borough Showroom and Chelsea Workshop in London.

Quotations and consultations are provided free of charge and all enquires are welcome. To contact us please visit our website www.finelineupholstery.co.uk in order to discuss your individual project.

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UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE ANTIQUE RESTORATION & RE-UPHOLSTERY

Many people may think of upholstery in terms of the material - often fabric - that covers the whole, it actually refers to everything besides the frame: the stuffing, springs, covering material, and cushions.

The upholstery of a piece of furniture determines how it looks and how it feels. The type and quality of the upholstery also determines how it will last.

We at Fineline Upholstery specialise in traditional and contemporary re-upholstery of all manner of furniture. Our skilled work-force is well-equipped to deal with your most valuable heirlooms and can work to your specific requirements.

Our traditional re-upholstery methods include working with all types of natural fibres and horse hair while our modern methods involve working with foams and synthetic fibres.

We are very delighted to offer our clients antique restoration services for that special and unique piece of your furniture.





BESPOKE UPHOLSTERY

Our bespoke department specialises in the creation of sofas, chairs, ottomans and headboards to precise customer specifications. Headboards can be created to any type of design in order to suit your individual desires. We can create furniture solutions to suit specific requirements at reasonable prices.



Alcove sofas, bay window seating, and even circular seating around pillars are just a few of the bespoke creations we are able to provide. If you have a challenging furniture predicament, we have the solution for you.



LOOSE COVERS

The main purpose for a loose cover is to ensure the protection of your valuable furniture while providing the option of being able to wash your cover as frequently as you wish. We are a leading supplier and manufacturer of loose covers in London for all styles of furniture, from sofas to a variety of chairs, headboards, ottomans and bedside tables. We can precisely copy original loose covers that you may have had in the past or we can create loose covers designed to the specifications of your individual piece of furniture.



In recent years, there has been a renewed interest in custom slip-covering driven by the interior design industry and the popularity of the very casual shabby chic design style.

Custom fitted slipcovers or loose covers, can resemble upholstery in their fit. They are fabricated to the exact shape of the furniture. Custom slipcovers have cushions slip-covered separately from the frame. Techniques can be used to make a slipcover that will not shift and require re-tucking after every use.

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FOAM PRODUCTS



Flexible polyurethane foam is the most common cushioning material used in upholstered furniture. Foam has a variety of applications in upholstery. Some are functional; others are aesthetic, while the type of foam used, varies from application to application.

Due to our foam cutting services being carried out on the premises we can insure quick turnaround for your order and in most cases can cut your foam while you wait. As foam processors we are able to offer visco-elastic foam mattresses at a fraction of the price of the leading companies in this field such as Tempur.

CUSHIONS

The cushion is a very ancient article of furniture; the inventories of the contents of palaces and great houses in the early Middle Ages constantly made mention of them. At Fineline we like to say: "Don't Trash That Sofa"... Most of the time it is simply a matter of changing your cushions!

We have a wide variety of cushions that come in all shapes and sizes and we specialise in all materials, from economy to luxury foam, feather and hollow-fibre as well as mixtures of both. We also work with some of the newest innovations in terms of cushions such as foam cushions with a feather or hollow fibre wrap, or feather core encased in feather wrap.



OUTDOOR & MARINE CUSHIONS



Whether you're decorating your outdoor living space or boat interior, the unending variety of our outdoor & marine fabric patterns and colors makes it easy to create seamless, color coordinated living spaces inside and out. Our outstanding fabric suppliers (such as Sunbrella), offers a complete line of fashionable stain and fade-resistant fabrics for all of your outdoor decorating needs.

Our experienced staff will provide you with the best advice on all-weather cushions, headrest or elbow support in hammock cushions, patio furniture cushions or other bespoke shapes and styles for your individual project.

COMMERCIAL UPHOLSTERY

Commercial Upholstery is the type of upholstery work offered to businesses. Examples would be restaurant seating consisting of booth seats, dining room chairs, bar stools, etc. Also churches, including but not limited to pews and chairs for the congregation, hospitals and clinics consisting of medical tables, chiropractic tables, dental chairs, etc. As well as lobby and waiting area seating and clothing retailers with upholstered walls and dressing screens. We are able to undertake the manufacture or refurbishment of banquette seating and all other types of contract furniture to suit our client's establishments.



Our portfolio of contract works range from restaurants, clubs and bars to furniture restoration at St. Pauls Cathedral. Other commercial clients include Jewel Lounge in Piccadilly, Sirocco Sports Bar on Shaftsbury Avenue, Chateau Six on Fulham Road, The Venue Five Bar in South Harrow, The Capio Nightingale Hospital in Baker Street, Bar Soho in London's famous Soho, Itzu Sushi Bar in Chelsea and the most recently The Shakespeare's Globe Theatre in SE1.



RESTAURANTS & BARS

Whether you need fixed banquette seating, stools or contemporary chairs, Fineline Upholstery specialists can guarantee a quick turn around and an onsite upholstery service, as and when required.

OFFICES & RECEPTIONS

Seating required for the use of your employees, customers or guests can often need repairing or freshening. Re-upholstery can save you money in the long term.



FRENCH POLISHING

The finish is considered to be one of the most beautiful ways to finish highly figured wood. French polish may be easily blended into an existing finish. The finish is obtained through a specific combination of different rubbing motions (generally circles and figure-eights), waiting for considerable time, building up layers of polish and then spiriting off any streaks left in the surface.

French polishing became prominent in the 18th century (Victorian era). However it is worth keeping in mind that the French polish is far more forgiving than any other finish in the sense that unlike lacquers, it can be efficiently repaired.



We offer a range of services from touching up damaged woodwork to re-polishing entire surface, while considerably reversing the impact of many years wear and tear. All our work is completed by hand for that authentic finish and feel.

CANE REPAIR

“Caning” is a method of weaving chair seats and other furniture. The material used is known as wicker which is derived from cane or from the skin of rattan vines native to Indonesia, the Philippines and Malaysia.

Fineline Upholstery offers cane, rush, sea grass and danish cord furniture repair.



SAVE THAT CHAIR!

We are so committed to the cause, that this year we have launched our brand new sister company to ‘Save That Chair’ at www.savethatchair.com

Our goal is to save old lounging chairs from ending up in the landfills, and to use our knowledge and experience to encourage people to not throw away their old furniture but to bequeath them to our new project, in order we could revive them for a new life and find them a new home where they will provide comfort to people for decades to follow.

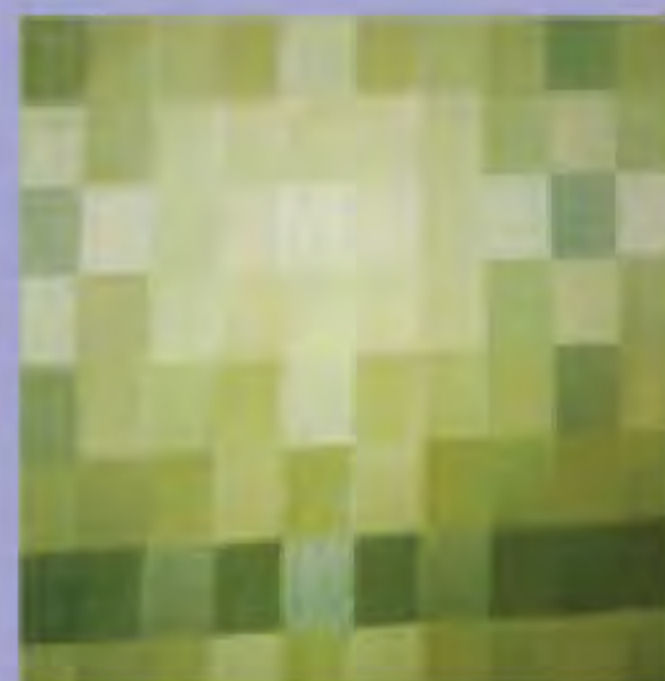
Wicker, Rattan and Cane will sometimes lose a strand or two of its makeup and will need some repair. Strands or a hole will develop where a few strands of wicker have been missing and need a hole repair, or a whole section of wicker will get broken out which will need a major repair. Whatever the damage to your cane furniture, we can restore it to you as though it were new.



CUSTOM MADE CURTAINS

Whether you're looking for the perfect window treatments (curtains, blinds, window toppers, curtain rods) to coordinate with your current home decor or need to completely redecorate - we're here to help.

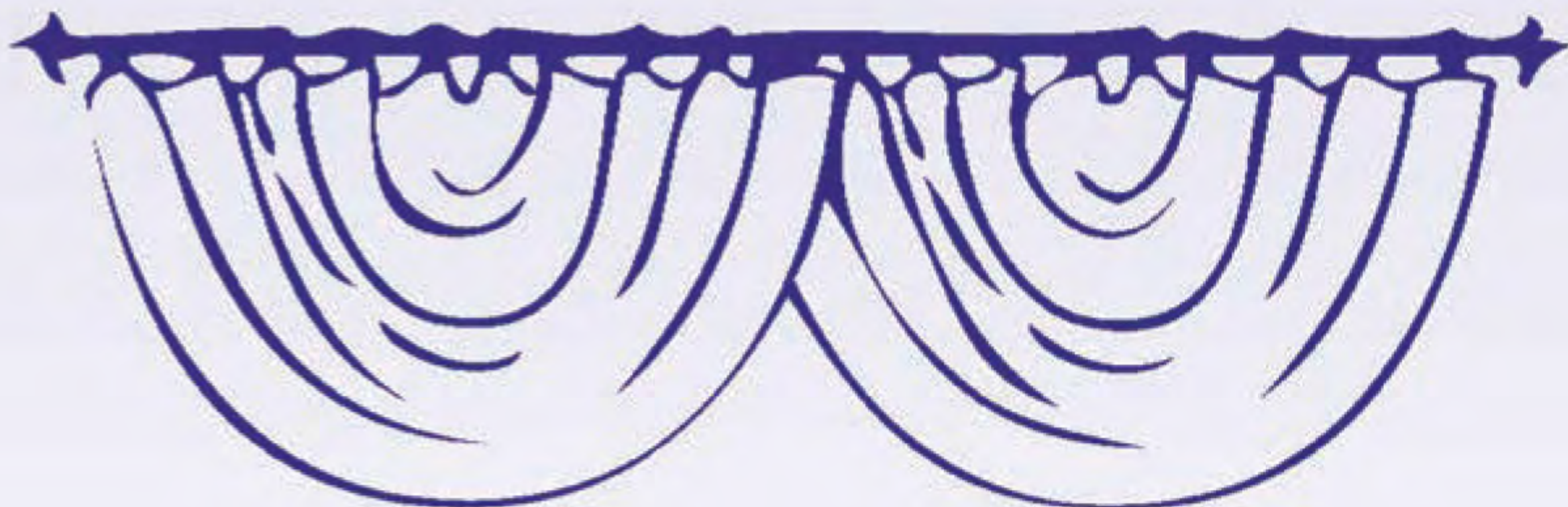
Your own unique style is the most important element for any type of home design. We try to provide a selection for all interior decor styles, but designing a custom window treatment may be the best option for a unique look.



A fresh and easy to use, made to measure curtains and blinds ordering service, will take the hassle out of buying made to measure curtains - using the fabric you want.

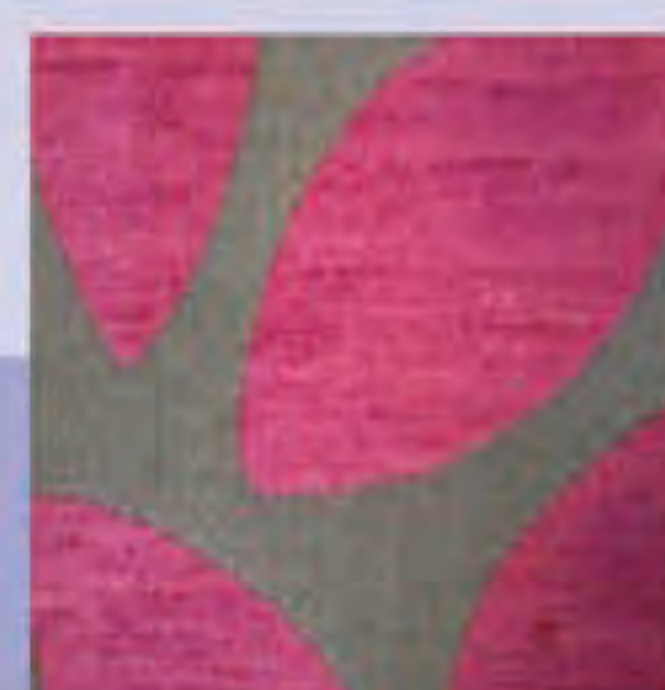
We offer a wide range of heading styles; such as, pencil pleat, pinch pleat, tab top, eyelet and goblet. Lining options include plain, interlined, blackout and fire resistant. We also provide the auxiliary services of pelmet making and track fitting as well as roller blinds and roman blinds.

Send us your enquiry today and we will provide you with as much assistance and advice as needed. Also we are very delighted to support our clients throughout the project and offer our measuring, pick-up and delivery services for your comfort.



FABRICS

For our clients, a major component in carrying out re-upholstery projects is the sourcing and supply of fabric. At Fineline we are committed to providing our clients with a selection of the best quality fabrics at fair and affordable prices, regularly updating our range to stay on the cutting edge of the soft furnishings market.



A commitment to providing the complete upholstery service at Fineline upholstery has led to us becoming an established fabric stockist and fabric supplier with links to the majority of leading fabric houses in London, the U.K and Europe. Our range includes 'Romo', 'Osborne & Little', 'Designers Guild', 'Crowsons', 'GB & J Baker', 'Linwood', 'Kobe' and many more. Fineline upholstery prides itself on supplying and stocking fabrics in order to give clients the widest possible range of choice when it comes to finding that perfect fabric to compliment and enhance furniture. In addition to our extensive fabric sample library we also have a plentiful stock of remnant fabrics which are on offer to our clients at very competitive prices.

Choosing the right fabric for your upholstery requirements can be a long and comparative process. At Fineline upholstery, we are always happy to aid our clients in finding the best fabric solution pertaining to each client's individual fabric tastes.



RE-UPHOLSTERY & ENVIRONMENT

WHEN YOU RE-UPHOLSTER FURNITURE, you choose not to partake in the ridiculous amount of raw materials that have to be shipped internationally for new furniture. By re-upholstering furniture, you save it from its death in the landfills. In the United Kingdom alone, more than 500 000 furniture pieces get dumped into landfills each year, and it is true that furniture is not made like it previously was... and thus, probability indicates that the piece you are considering to reupholster has greater quality and more longevity than most of the selection on today's market.

Logging tropical hardwoods like teak, mahogany, rosewood, and other timber for furniture has been so extensive, that some countries who have been traditional exporters of tropical hardwoods are now importing them, because they have already exhausted their supply by destroying their native rainforests. Demand for tropical hardwood timber is damaging to the ecological, biological, and social fabric of tropical lands. One and one-half acres of rainforest are lost every second to provide exotic wood furniture.

The chair you are sitting on is probably wood, but have you considered where the tree grew? Who logged it? How it travelled to the manufacturer – and how far? And once it has passed, what you may consider its useful 'lifespan', what will you do with it? Whether you consume wood-based products for yourself, your families, or a business, there is no harm in stopping and asking: 'Where did it come from and how can I preserve its lifespan?', and having more information about the origins of something, can only lead to making better informed decisions. In the case of a chair, if we know where it came from, we can make choices that have a tremendous impact by taking the time to perform our due diligence, and in big and small ways make a 'greener' world.





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TERMS & CONDITIONS

By requesting services from Fineline Upholstery you are agreeing to the following terms and conditions:

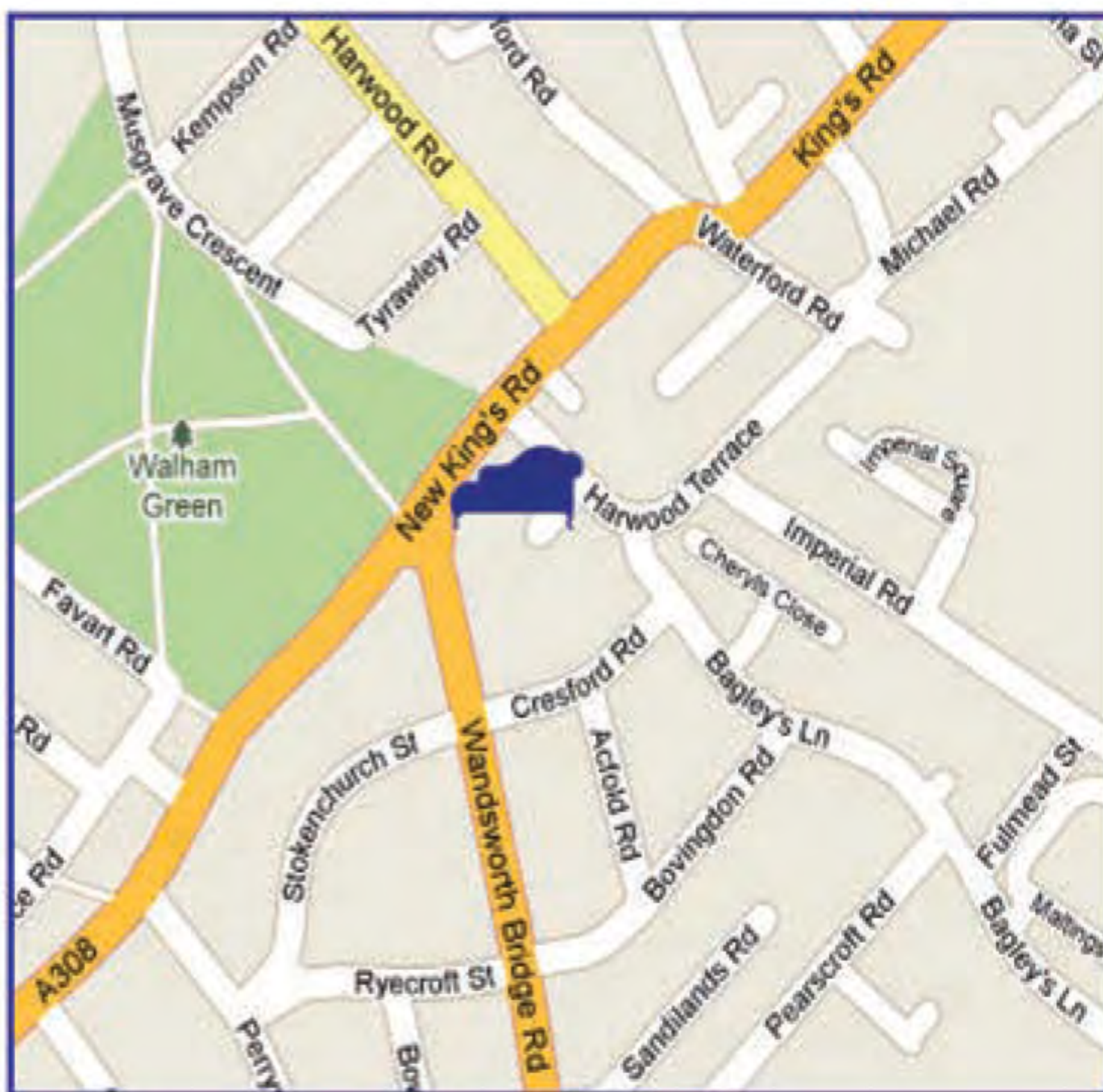
When ordering fabric through Fineline Upholstery will require full payment for the cost of the fabric at the time the order is placed.

We require a 50% deposit in advance on all labour charges involved in the cost of your project.

The balance payment of your job is due once the job is completed and item or piece of furniture is ready for either delivery or your collection.

All prices are subject to VAT.

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