WESTMORLAND GREEN · BURLINGTON BLUE/GREY

ICONIC BRITISH ROOFING SLATE



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Since 1843, Burlington Stone have offered exceptional quality roofing slates to clients and their projects throughout the world, including Westmorland Green roofing slates on the iconic Tower Bridge, London.

Burlington's blue/grey and Westmorland Green roofing slates adorn the skyline of major cities and rural areas alike and due to their quality, durability and longevity, offer a lifetime of service to the buildings they cover. This is demonstrated by an ancient pedigree of proven performance that is unrivalled in the harsh UK climate. Burlington slates have been used on a range of projects where clients and architects have sought a material that is both functional and beautiful, whether it be for cathedrals or cottages, castles or crofts.

Burlington's credentials are endorsed not just by the three "Queens Awards for Export Achievement", but also by clients both past and present.



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Burlington's British natural slates are:

- Naturally Strong
- Naturally Weatherproof
- Naturally Beautiful





These natural slates are sympathetically extracted from quarries in the heart of the English Lake District. Using highly skilled craftsmen, with experience passed down through the generations, we produce exquisite British natural slate, ensuring our products meet and exceed our customers' expectations.

Three different slates are produced from the quarries in Cumbria: a blue/grey slate (today called Burlington blue/grey, its traditional name was 'Lancashire blue/grey', dating back to the quarries beginnings in the 16th century when Kirkby quarry was located in Lancashire, prior to the formation of the county of Cumbria in 1974), and two subtly different shades of green slate – Westmorland light green and Westmorland olive green.

Produced in random lengths and widths the slates are laid in diminishing courses with the largest slates used at the eaves and gradually smaller sizes laid working up to the ridge. This tradition of laying slates in diminishing courses gives a distinctive visual perspective to the roof. Slates can also be supplied in a sized format (fixed lengths with random widths) which helps to retain a traditional random element to the roof design, whilst speeding up the laying process and keeping the cost of installation down. For a regular half bond pattern to the roof, slates are available with a fixed length and fixed width.













Reasons to use Burlington's British natural roofing slates

- 1. Burlington Slate is one of the finest most durable natural materials in the world and covers the roofs of many of the most iconic historic buildings across the UK.
- 2. The technical characteristics of Burlington slate ensure a life span of over 150 years, providing a long term sustainable solution.
- 3. Burlington's slate roofing products adhere to and surpass the European quality standard BS EN 12326, achieving the highest possible classification in each of the key categories:

Water Absorption (W1 ≤ 0.6%) Thermal Cycle Resistance (T1) Sulfur Dioxide Exposure (S1)

These test results are a key indication of reliability however, even more importantly, Burlington Slate demonstrates its quality by an ancient pedigree of proven performance that is unrivalled in the harsh UK climate.

4. No part of a building is more exposed to the destructive forces of nature than the roof and, as such, it is a critical component of the building envelope from both a technical and aesthetic perspective. Burlington Slates are:

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- 5. Burlington Slate Limited was established in 1843 and is a British business with long traditions and values, where quality control and effective management and use of the natural slate reserves are important corporate goals.
- 6. The use of 'local' British slates on British projects ensures environmental efficiency and avoids the high and environmentally damaging 'slate miles' encountered by using imported slates on projects in the UK.
- 7. The company is certified to ISO 14001 environmental accreditation and aims to utilise 100% of the rock extracted from its quarry operations through the extensive recycling of all waste elements, important for BREAM and LEED certification in building construction.
- 8. Burlington works closely with the BRE and The National Parks Authority to embrace best practice in environmental management.
- 9. Burlington roofing slates conform with new CE Marking legislation, which ensures that every slate must have a Certificate of Origin and up to date technical test data. This provides protection for both the contractor and the customer that the material is fit for purpose.



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