

A NEW NATURAL SLATE TO RIVAL SWITHLAND SLATE



The history of Swithland slate goes back nearly 1,000 years in the Leicestershire area with accounts of local slaters fitting Swithland Slate in the 11th Century.

However by early 1900's stocks of Swithland Slate were exhausted from the original Charnwood area quarries, so anyone looking to repair an original, often grade 2 listed, building or fit a completely new roof would not be able to get hold of new slate.

But you can now.

The Swithland slate is a piece of national heritage that has given the East Midlands a beautiful rustic appearance for centuries. With the Swithland quarry closing down it is a relief to see that RoofShop has unearthed a fantastic new replica that gives the texture and appearance of the original, securing the unique appearance of the area for the next generation

Mark Fennell, Conservation Officer,
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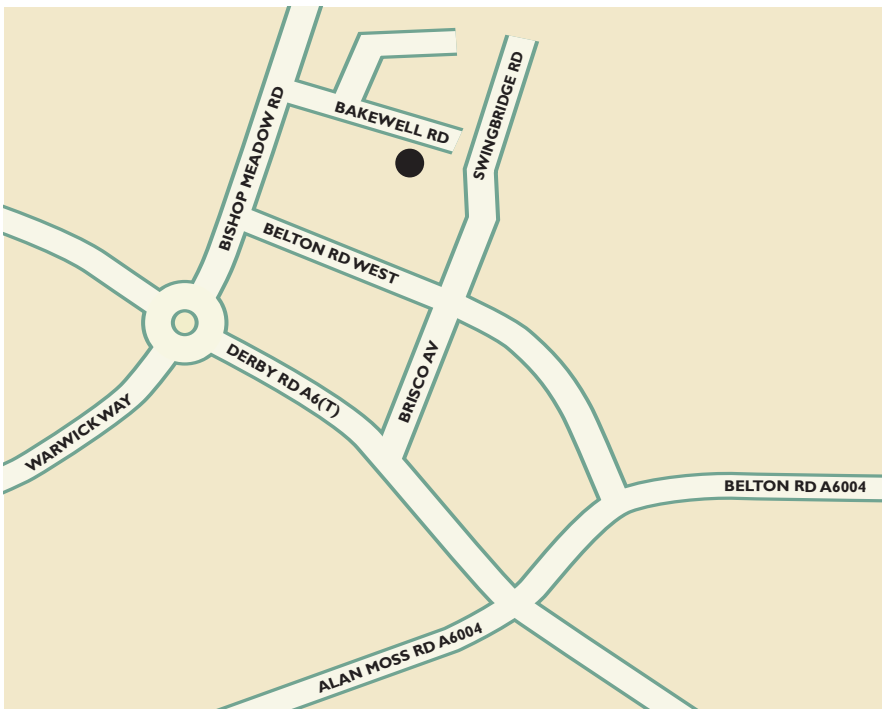
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REPLICA SWITHLAND NATURAL SLATE

The beauty of natural heavy slate quarried by traditional techniques cannot be replaced by any mass produced thin slate, replica slate or tile.

Once fitted a heavy slate will last for hundreds of years and will improve in appearance with age adding value and traditional character to your home.

Swithland Replica Natural Slate is exclusively available through RoofShop. For technical specifications or a quote call us on 01509 211119.



NATURALLY BEAUTIFUL

We have located a quarry which can supply an almost identical match to the original, encompassing the rich purple grey colouring, the very thick slates, the same technical characteristics and adheres to new European Standards.

Replica Swithland Slates are a completely natural product quarried to replicate the characteristics and charm of the original. As with the original slates the newly quarried natural slate is very thick, often as thick as $\frac{3}{4}$ inch even in smaller sized pieces.

It's the same heavy thickness of the original material and is graduated in 10 different lengths of random width. This allows for an original Swithland Slate roof to be repaired with the new slate or for a completely new roof to be built to the same character and charm as it would have been more than 300 years ago.



The Replica Swithland natural slate looks fantastic and blends in perfectly with the local environment. These slates have been hard to come by for a long time and it's great to know that we can continue to give the local area its distinctive character

D.G Platts & Sons Roofing



*The greatest thing you can spend your life on
is something that will outlast it*
C.S. Lewis

Installing a traditional heavy slate roof is the wisest property investment you will ever make.

The original Swithland Slate's natural rich purple grey has weathered naturally by the oxidation process through being on roofs for over 200 years, changing the colour to a dark grey with a slight hint of blue and purple.

Our Replica slate has shown the same weathering characteristics, this is very exciting, as it means local buildings requiring repair or wishing to embrace the charm and character of this completely natural slate can now do so.

REPLICA SWITHLAND SLATE WALLING

To complement our range of roof slates we also have replica Swithland Slate Walling. They have a dressed rear edge, making them quick and easy to use when you're creating a cavity wall.



Full specifications, crate weights, coverage are available on the website: www.swithland-slate.com

Specification: **Swithy-1**
Length: 600mm
Widths: 500, 400, 290, 260, 200mm

Specification: **Swithy-6**
Length: 350mm
Widths: 300, 250, 190, 180, 150

Specification: **Swithy-2**
Length: 550mm
Widths: 500, 390, 300, 270, 200

Specification: **Swithy-7**
Length: 300mm
Widths: 300, 250, 220, 190, 150

Specification: **Swithy-3**
Length: 500mm
Widths: 500, 390, 300, 270, 200

Specification: **Swithy-8**
Length: 250mm
Widths: 300, 270, 250, 190, 150

Specification: **Swithy-4**
Length: 450mm
Widths: 450, 390, 300, 270, 200

Specification: **Swithy-9**
Length: 200mm
Widths: 300, 280, 250, 190, 150

Specification: **Swithy-5**
Length: 400mm
Widths: 400, 350, 300, 270, 200

Specification: **Swithy-10**
Length: 150mm
Widths: 300, 250, 200, 170, 150

Grading

Each Specification (i.e. Swithy-1) is graded into assorted widths. Each Crate of Slate is packed per one length of slate and is a random mixture of widths.

Weights

18mm Slate = 48.6kg's per square meter of slate (unlaid)
17mm Slate = 45.9kg's per square meter of slate (unlaid)
15mm Slate = 40.5kg's per square meter of slate (unlaid)

Length

This is the length of the slate running down the roof.

Width

This is the width of the slate running across the roof.

Nail Holes

Slates wider than 250mm are predrilled with 2 nail holes (5mm diameter).
Slate less than 250mm width are predrilled with 1 nail hole (5mm diameter).
All nail holes are 50mm from the top of the slate.
Double nail holes are approximately 20% from each side of the slate.
Single nail holes are in the centre width of the slate.

Calculations

When calculating your required quantity assume a typical overlap of 50%.

Delivery

All prices exclude delivery. Collections are welcome and deliveries can be arranged at an agreed extra cost.

Colour

Colour variations are normal as the slate is a natural material.

Standards

All our slate products exceed BS EN 12326-2:2000.