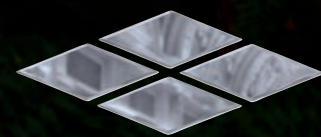


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COMMERCIAL

Paragon ...A long history and a bright future in carpet tile manufacturing

Since the establishment of Paragon in 1997 we remain a major supplier in tufted carpet tiles and broadloom options. We are part of a dedicated manufacturing flooring group called National Floor Coverings. The group's flooring roots date back to 1873, when it was involved in the manufacture of high quality Axminster and Wilton carpets. Over the years Paragon has become synonymous with innovation and cutting edge design.

Paragon is not just a manufacturer of quality carpet tiles; we are a manufacturer with a social conscience and have always been committed to conducting business in an environmentally friendly way. This commitment goes back to well before the commercial acceptance of the priority of such issues. As long ago as 1997 when Paragon Carpets was established we were a pioneer in building an environmentally responsible factory on a brownfield site.

We were the first manufacturer of fibre bonded carpets. In the 1980s and 90s as a result of the valuable experience gained through fibre bonded manufacturing, we diversified into the rapidly growing tufted carpet tile sector and built the Paragon tile factory in South Yorkshire to accommodate the new production. The group is still a market leading manufacturer of fibre bonded sheet and tile and is now increasing its market share of the ever expanding tufted market sector through the Paragon product range.

Our state of the art facility at Wath-upon-Dearne in South Yorkshire is built on a derelict site of a former coal mine and slag heap, bringing both environmental and employment improvements to a run-down area. Regenerating a Brownfield site enabled us to build using techniques that are at the forefront of environmental thinking and to incorporate production techniques which resulted in the lowest carbon emissions tile factory in Europe.

Continuous investment in advanced production and processes ensures manufacturing excellence

We continue to invest millions of pounds in plant and machinery to ensure the company remains a leader in a rapidly changing and developing market. Paragon continues to show incremental growth in both sales and profits, due to its quality products and its expanding range which reflects changing customer requirements. As one of the few UK based carpet tile manufacturers, we are committed to the further development of our five acre facility including building an extension to incorporate a new tufting shed, due for completion in 2008.

We already have the most up-to-date tufting machines and the new building programme will enable us to install a new extensive manufacturing capability and to enhance our stock on shelf commitment.

Millions invested in market leading production facilities
Extensive new manufacturing capacity
24/7 production facilities ensure stock is readily available



Cutting our carbon footprint is an important step forward



Customers can now buy our products confident that Paragon acts sustainably to minimise its impact on the environment and to maximise opportunities to offset our carbon footprint including:

- Continually identifying ways of recycling our waste material. We are involved in many forum's designed to find uses for tiles removed from existing sites.

- Our factory is the cleanest in Europe using bitumen. We have a state of the art ventilation system with integrated fume extraction to ensure only pure air is finally released into the atmosphere.

- We buy and sell carbon credit points through the SEA organisation, enabling us to achieve our carbon credit quota.
- Throughout our distribution network every pallet is sourced from sustainable timber from renewable forests certified by the FSC or PEFC organisations.
- All our company cars are sourced from the VW group ensuring they can be 100% recycled after use.

Field based technical team available who can visit you on site

Focussing on customer demands and market trends is the reason for present and future success



Paragon strives continuously to respond to customers' changing requirements in a rapidly evolving market place. We continue to be able to source the most advanced yarns available to ensure we are at the forefront of product development and attain the highest European ratings for our performance standards.

We can currently offer a full range of carpet tiles including cut pile, loop pile and design loop, through our extensive network of UK and worldwide externally based out bound sales managers. They are supported by experienced factory located internal sales and marketing teams. If any technical or quality issues arise we are proud to offer a field based technical team who can visit you on site to problem solve promptly and efficiently.

Sustainable thinking is woven into our organisation

In all areas of our company from a humble waste bin to a factory-wide cooling system we ensure that we operate with responsible commitment to the environment.

We have:

- ISO14001 Accreditation - the international standard demonstrating a company's commitment to developing operations that fulfil environmental responsibilities, with independent verification that ensures continuous improvement and development of environmental objectives
- As part of National Floorcoverings we have BREEAM A rated products
- We have fully operational environmental management systems
- All used paper from our offices is recycled
- Recycling of a wide range of materials from ink cartridges to wire ball ties
- We have commitment to electronic communication to minimise paper waste
- All tile boxes, cardboard tubes and sample cards are made from 100% recycled materials
- Commitment to reduce energy use on a year by year basis has already been achieved for the past five years at a rate of 200,000 Kwh per year
- Factory cooling system which utilises natural fresh air where possible to reduce energy usage
- Reducing landfill requirements by providing pre-adhered Tackifier products - no need for additional adhesive containers



Paragon flooring perfection at work, rest or play

We are not spinning a yarn when we say that our carpets are successfully used in every type of commercial, municipal and leisure project throughout the globe from Doncaster to Dubai. From the constant tread of tiny feet in nurseries to heavy strides of crowds in sports stadiums and factories our carpet tiles prove supreme in durability, performance and aesthetics. Our heavy contract carpet tiles help to create the right mood from the soothing calm of busy theatres and cinemas to the energetic rush and hum of a hectic transport interchange or sports centre.

We can help to provide a stimulating but hard-wearing environment to encourage academic excellence in our schools and colleges, or to help hospitals and care homes create the hygienic and spotless conditions we all want. Our carpets are rigorously tested to ensure they do not contribute to sick building syndrome.

Paragon flooring perfection, in all environments. From education & health to retail, leisure and commerce our wide range of industrial grade carpet tiles cover all requirements



From the intimate huddle of the smallest family business to the towering expanse of the largest airport our carpets cover the square metres with stunning style and proven durability.

Whatever your project, wherever your location, whenever you need the best commercial carpet tiles then Paragon has the perfect solution.

Proving the point of our commitment

Paragon acts in all areas in a responsible, considered way to ensure that our business practices meet the highest environmental and quality standards.

- We have achieved ISO14001 Accreditation in 2004 - the international standard demonstrating a company's commitment to developing operations that fulfil environmental responsibilities, with independent verification that ensures continuous improvement and development of environmental objectives
- BREEAM A rated products as part of the National Floorcoverings Group Ltd
- ISO 9001: 2000 achieved in quality management systems including the highest training provision under British Standards Institute programmes

- Part of the CFA Flooring Association

- A member of SEA organisation ensuring we achieve our carbon management targets

- Performance to the most rigorous British and International standards for flammability, static and quality

- We also achieve the highest International standard for wear and colour fastness

- Our carpets are suitable for use with computers

- Affiliated to RIBA and NBS Plus ensuring professional links with architects

- Affiliated to ENDAT and Technical Indexes



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Fully accredited with ISO14001



Paragon's product range is as wide and vibrant as nature itself, with a large selection of colourways, textures and patterns which complement both traditional and contemporary design

From the cleanest carbon emissions tile factory in Europe comes the widest variety of colourways which reflect the deep blue of the summer sky, the warm glow of autumn leaves or the soothing greys of misty mountain tops.

Choose plains or patterns, flecks or stripes: Paragon offers comprehensive options from the sophisticated contemporary Workspace Linear to the commercially practical and solid tones of Maestro. You have a floor: we've got it covered in colours reflecting the moods of nature itself from soft and serene to strident and strong.

Paragon carpets offer a real diversity of colours and designs with over forty in the Oriental range and twenty four in Work Space Loop. We offer a market-leading colour bank of over forty blues from soft and restful to vibrant and deep. Our greys range from a shimmering silver to an urban contemporary charcoal.

The vast array of other colours should meet most of your needs but we can speedily create a rainbow of special order colours to coordinate with exciting and distinctive schemes and styles.

Paragon Brands

Listed below are extensive carpet ranges to suit any application. For more details see our products range brochure.

ASHBURY

Attractive loop pile ideal for any heavy contract application

COLOUR QUEST

Explore a heavy contract range with a depth of 24 colours all manufactured using 100% Aquafil Alton Yarn

DISTINCTION

Stand out from the crowd with one of our luxury ranges

ECO ENTRANCE

Tread easily on our 100% recycled rubber tyre product which gives you an eco-friendly welcome

ENTRANCE MASTER

Stop dirt in its tracks with our most effective entrance carpet

FERRARA

Good value cut pile with style built in

MACAW

Our high-value low-cost range

MAESTRO

Compose your setting in tune with one of our most popular premium range carpets

MICROPOINT

Hit the spot with our attractive three colour effect

MULTIPLICITY

A diversity in luxurious colourways with our popular heavy contract Saxony Cut Pile tile

NAVIGATOR PLUS

A new direction, an environmental gem underfoot: 100% recyclable

NEW HARMONISE

Contemporary Style with Premium Performance in broadloom

NEW INTERPRETATIONS

A heavy contract fringe twist pile tile with unmistakable colourways

NEW RAVENNA

Bring out the Latin with the warmth and design of a heavy contract broadloom carpet

ORIENTAL

A mix of colours and design to enhance any interior concept

PARALLEL LINES AND PARALLEL REFLECTIONS

Reflect your style in two premium structured loop piles with modern colourways

PHENOMENON

Appeal to your senses with our extraordinary Phenomenon carpets

SIROCCO

Solid performance without breaking the bank

WORKSPACE CUT PILE

Make the most of any workspace with a high performance cut pile

WORKSPACE LINEAR

Make the most of any workspace with our premium linear design

WORKSPACE LOOP PILE

Make the most of any workspace with our best selling heavy contract range

WORKSPACE SOLID

Make the most of any workspace with our strong well-established colourways

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