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WHAT MAKES HUNTER WOODSHAVINGS SO CONSISTENTLY RELIABLE?

With so many different types of horse bedding to choose from, all making claims of being the perfect product for you and your horses, it can be difficult to make a choice.

There is only one brand of premium wood shavings, however, that is manufactured by **Finnforest UK**, the UK's largest manufacturer of timber products and main national supplier to the UK's largest DIY companies, B&Q and Wickes.

Our standards have to be high to offer these companies the level of service they demand. This is the kind of service that has seen us win 'Supplier of the Year' awards across all suppliers from both companies. Although Finnforest is ultimately owned by a cooperative of around 130,000 Finnish forest farmers, the company has over 100 years' history in the UK and unlike cheap imports from abroad, we are here to stay and there when you need us most.

Our largest manufacturing plant, and the largest facility of its kind in Europe, is a 32 acre site based in Boston, Lincolnshire which is certified to ISO 9001:2000 for quality process control. This is where our major baling plant is based to take advantage of the clean, dry, fluffy shavings which are taken directly off the planing line when we shape lengths of raw timber into common household products such as skirtings, architraves and decking.

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For more information and a list of stockists in your area visit www.finnforest.co.uk or call 01205 883 883.

Wood is the only building material that is truly renewable, if well managed. Forest certification schemes give assurance that the timber is legal and from sustainable sources. Finnforest UK sources certified timber over uncertified and is an approved Chain of Custody supplier.

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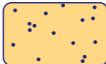
WHAT MAKES HUNTER WOODSHAVINGS SO POPULAR?

Unlike many other brands on the market, both cheaper and more expensive, Hunter Woodshavings are a totally natural product that guarantees excellent performance across four critical areas:

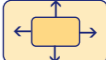
HIGH ABSORBENCY:

 Absorbs 250% of its own weight within minutes (up to 145% more than some)*


LOW DUST CONTENT:

 Consistently less than 4.5% (some bedding has twice this)*

LARGE SPREAD VOLUME:

 2.75m² area (6" deep) filled per 25kg bale (up to 180% greater spread than some)*

LOW SPORE CONTENT:

 As few as 0 fungal spores per kg (most bedding has millions)*

* Independently tested by SATRA, a British Equestrian Trade Association designated testing centre. Full details at www.finnforest.co.uk



WHY ARE HUNTER WOODSHAVINGS SO CONSISTENTLY CLEAN AND LOW IN DUST?

Because of our unique ownership, at Finnforest we can control the whole process from forest through the manufacturing facility and directly into our baling plant. This means there is no opportunity for outside influences to degrade the quality of our product.

Unlike some recycled or reclaimed products which can be made from all sorts of waste wood material, our Woodshavings are always produced directly from fresh raw timber, which is harvested from well managed forests and carefully kiln dried before shipping to dramatically minimise moisture content. This in turn reduces the opportunity for fungal spores to develop (a problem for many other brands not produced in this way).

Our shavings are taken directly from the planing lines under strictly controlled conditions and sent through our stringent dust extraction process which pulls out the dust and debris many other brands leave behind. Consistently soft and springy, these shavings will also not crumble into dust or splinter when used like certain hard, dried, chipped products which are commonly found on sale.

With so much less useless dust and debris, you'll be avoiding the risk of associated respiratory problems for your horse and getting a whole load more clean shavings in every bag you buy, saving you time and money making a healthy, natural bed.

HOW CAN SUCH A SMALL BAG COVER SUCH A LARGE AREA?

The key to the high spread volume, characteristic to Hunter Woodshavings, is the way the dry, fluffy shavings are vacuum packed directly after the stringent filtration process in order to remove air and moisture and pack in as many shavings as possible into every bale. They are hermetically sealed online without the opportunity for the shavings to be degraded in any way as so often happens when materials are transferred from place to place or left lying in open storage areas for anything to get at them.

This stringent process control means that there is the least chance for moisture to get into the shavings and for fungal spores or yeasts, that can affect the horse's respiratory system, to develop. It also means that the springy shavings are tightly compressed into handy sized bales which are weatherproofed to withstand external storage conditions for extra convenience to our customers.

Because of the online vacuum packing and high levels of dust extraction, when the bales are opened for use the shavings naturally spring back into shape trapping lots of air along the way and creating a rich, light, soft and absorbent bedding.

With all of these natural benefits it's no surprise Hunter Woodshavings naturally look and smell great too. That's why we don't need to use any treatments to make our product smell nice and our bales are transparent so you can tell the natural quality from poor imitations.

BAG VOLUME OR SPREAD VOLUME?

Some bedding manufacturers tell you how much 'guaranteed volume' their bales provide. This literally tells you the size of the bag so presumably this means they don't expect their bedding to spread much further than the size of this container. Why else would you want to know the volume of the bag?

With the handy-sized vacuum packed Hunter bales, you get a light and easy to handle pack which is tightly packed full of light, fluffy shavings not air, dust and debris. Finnforest guarantees you a given weight of high quality wood shavings because our customers tell us what's important to them is the way our shavings expand to fill a much larger area than other leading brands can for the same weight. They're not interested in the volume of the bag. At the end of the day, they want to know how big a bed they are going to get from their bales and with Hunter Woodshavings you simply get a bigger bed for your money.

WHY DO HUNTER WOODSHAVINGS PERFORM BETTER THAN OTHER PRODUCTS?

As well as saving you time and money by supplying a high quality product that expands to provide you with much greater bedding coverage in every bag, the dry fluffy shavings have a much greater absorbency than most competitor products too. From the start, the original raw material has been kiln dried to reduce moisture content and the product has been taken directly from our planing lines into the baling plant where it is baled before moisture or other debris has a chance to get back into it.

Whereas many other products are already too full of moisture to absorb much more or physically not suited to doing so, Hunter Woodshavings come out of the bag dry and fluffy to soak up whatever is thrown at them whilst providing a naturally soft and comfortable bed for as long as possible.

Because they have less moisture, the shavings weigh less too (and don't forget, our bales are sold on weight) so whichever way you look at it, our customers can rest assured they're getting the best deal possible for their horses and their budget.

