

# Your Essential Guide to Choosing the Perfect StudyBed

Like you, we aim for Total Satisfaction with every StudyBed purchase. In order to achieve this, there are a few important points to consider.

- How will it fit and look in my room?
- The right bed size considering available space and intended use
- The preferred finish or colour
- Which additional items of complementary furniture are required and appropriate?
- What delivery timescale suits me best and what work needs to be carried out first?



## HOW WILL IT FIT AND LOOK IN MY ROOM?

As always, this question requires thoughtful consideration, and a tape measure!

Have a look at the dimensions given in the brochure and on the website. Measure both wall to wall AND skirting to skirting, in several places, as walls are seldom perfectly straight or square. Consider the swing of any doors, access to windows, sockets and switches and radiator (and valve) position. If you have picture or dado rails, please let us know.

If you are considering a Majestic model, then ceiling height and position of any overhead light fitting needs to be taken into account.

We recommend placing a multi-way extension lead on the floor behind the lower stretcher to power any desk top electrical items. A 'Power Tower' with sockets and USB charging also works very well as a desk accessory. It doesn't matter if the sockets are either behind the bed or to one side, although if behind the bed, they should not be too high above the skirting, ideally around 30cm. They may or may not present a problem if they are positioned behind any intended bookcases or wardrobes, so if you are unsure please discuss with us.

**If you are in any doubt, we would encourage you to email or post us a basic room plan (photos are also useful) and we will be in a much better position to advise accordingly.**

All StudyBeds have pre-formed skirting cut outs to allow a flush fit against the wall behind them. Please let us know if your skirtings are higher than 15cm or deeper than 2cm (including any pipework or beadings) and we can make the necessary adjustment in advance.

With the exception of the Majestic all StudyBeds are 207cm wide, but please bear in mind that an additional 6cm is required to facilitate assembly. In other words, a minimum of ideally 213cm, measured wall to wall will be required, unless there is a wider space elsewhere in the room in which the frame can be assembled and then pushed into the chosen position.

If there is insufficient space then please talk to us anyway, as it may be possible to find a solution.

## WHAT IS THE RIGHT BED SIZE CONSIDERING AVAILABLE SPACE AND INTENDED USE?

This shouldn't necessarily be the biggest size you can fit in; we have found that there is a tendency to go for the largest model simply because of the envisaged occasional need for certain guests to occupy the room. We feel that this is something that requires balanced and considered thought.

If the room is small and the main intended use is as an office or hobby room, then the way the room looks and feels for the majority of the time can outweigh the importance of providing a generously sized bed for occasional visitors. The smaller the mattress size, the more compact the unit is in desk form. It is important to balance intended year-long use with available room space.

StudyBeds are designed for everyday use and in this instance the decision about size will be driven by its occupant. However, if the StudyBed is intended for a young (small) child who may be currently quite happy in their single bed, it is definitely worth considering the Small Double as an option, which will give plenty of growing room, can still be occupied by two people and is almost as compact as the Single StudyBed when in desk mode.

Another issue that often arises is whether to go for a Majestic (vertical) model or the horizontal style StudyBed. This choice may be easily determined by the shape of the room, but nonetheless it is an important one, and a good reason for submitting a room plan to us to allow us to advise accordingly.

All StudyBeds are designed to take standard size **Mattresses** which allows for use of an existing one if applicable - depth up to 20cm. Or, we stock an excellent range which are an optimum fit for all our models. Please note that the Small Double is designed to take a mattress **120cm** wide, and if purchasing elsewhere, this dimension needs to be carefully checked.

## WHAT IS THE PREFERRED FINISH OR COLOUR?

Our standard finish is '**Light Oak**'; this is always very popular as the Double A grade real wood veneer has a very attractive grain pattern, is timeless and easy to match.

However, not everyone desires this particular finish and we are able to supply

all our furniture in a **vast range of painted colours**. This is a bespoke service that costs an extra 15% but allows you to choose whatever colour or colour combination you wish. We are even able to match a supplied colour sample.

If you are thinking of a painted finish, then do take your time to consider this carefully; don't be readily tempted to go for too dark a colour in a small room or to choose bold colours that might only have a short-lived appeal to a teenager. And if you're considering a combination of colours, we generally find that this works best with the lighter colours on the inner sections.

Many of our customers find something suitable in the Farrow & Ball range whose very wide choice of colours seems to suit StudyBeds very well. Take some time to experiment online with our **StudyBed Configurator** as this should help with your decision making.

We would also advise obtaining a **match pot sample** and testing on a piece of wood rather than rely simply on colour charts. In the case of Farrow & Ball, these are easily obtained through their web site. Other popular brands are Dulux and Crown.

## **WHICH ADDITIONAL ITEMS OF COMPLEMENTARY FURNITURE ARE REQUIRED AND APPROPRIATE?**

We offer several options to allow you to optimise your available space.

The most commonly requested option is the **Top Box**, as this makes very good use of the same footprint as the StudyBed. Our Top Boxes will always match your chosen finish, and they come with adjustable shelves and soft-closing doors. The total height of the Single StudyBed and Top Box will be 200cm. On a Small Double and Double it will be 220cm. Although StudyBeds (with the exception of the Majestic) are free-standing, for safety reasons we do secure the Top Box to the StudyBed frame.

Our mobile (4 x 360° castors) **Under Desk Pedestals** are also very popular; neatly tucked out of the way under the desk, they can then be swiftly moved to become a bedside table. We have four variants of these, a 3-drawer unit including a large foolscap filing drawer, a 4-drawer unit, a cupboard with adjustable shelves, and a double-sided bookcase giving effectively 180cm of

shelf space. Again, these can be finished to match your chosen paint colour(s).

If you have additional space available in your room, you may wish to have one of our **Wardrobes** fitted alongside the StudyBed. These will match the height of your chosen bed and Top Box, with the routing lines providing an integrated sleek appearance to the whole ensemble. They come as standard in widths of 60, 70 or 80cm and have an external depth of 60cm. Typically, they would come with 3 shelves and 1 hanging rail, but please tell us if you would like a different configuration. The shelves are fully adjustable and the rail easily removed or reinserted. They come with double soft-closing doors.

As an alternative (or addition) to a wardrobe we can also provide **Bookcases** with fully adjustable shelving. Like the wardrobes the height will match your StudyBed with Top Box and the depth will allow them to be flush with the bodyside of the StudyBed, thus creating a sleek made-to-measure look. We can supply these in any bespoke size up to 80cm.

During your room planning process it may be very clear what type or size of additional furniture you may require, but if not it may make more sense to split the process and start with the bed (and possibly Top Box), live with it for a while and then accurately measure any remaining space which could subsequently be filled with a wardrobe, bookcase, or even just matching shelves on their own.

## **WHAT DELIVERY TIMESCALE SUITS ME BEST AND WHAT WORK NEEDS TO BE CARRIED OUT FIRST?**

Our standard quoted lead times for delivery and installation are typically 4 to 6 weeks following confirmation of exact requirements. However, we appreciate that you may have a more urgent deadline and therefore wherever possible, we will endeavour to find ways to meet this.

We try to be as flexible as possible with delivery dates, but using our own experienced teams delivering all over the country, it is necessary to be logistically efficient, so we will always carefully liaise with you with regards to dates and timings.

Initially it is useful for our planning to have a basic idea from you as to when you may require delivery and what may be good or bad days in any week. We will never force delivery upon you until you are ready to receive the bed.

We would always welcome communication from you if your deadlines change in any way.

Prior to receipt of the bed, we would strongly suggest carrying out any intended decoration and/or changes to flooring. If you are having more major alterations carried out, in terms of alteration to position of sockets, radiators etc. please feel free to discuss this with us, in case there is any impact on the installation of your StudyBed.

## FITTING OF MONITORS

The dimensions table shows the under-bed height for each model, so please consider the height of any essential pieces of equipment that you may wish to leave on the desk, like an Apple iMac or extra-large monitor.

If your monitor is too tall, it is generally OK to lie it flat on the desk, particularly if you have a protective desk mat. Alternatively monitors can be mounted onto the bed cover, but please let us know in advance if this is your intention, as we can supply the necessary fittings to enable you to fit your monitor support bracket.

## STUDYBED DIMENSIONS

Measurements in cm	Single	Small Double	Double	Small Majestic	Double Majestic	Large Majestic
Width	207	207	207	136	153	166
Height	140	160	172	220	220	227
Projection as Desk	94	102	111	120	120	120
Projection as Bed	103	132	153	200	200	212
Under Bed Height	43	45	48	46*	46*	46*
Desk Size	60x190	60x190	60x190	65x120	65x140	65x150
Mattress	90x190	120x190	138x190	120x190	138x190	150x200

\* 43cm to support tube

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