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Measure B (width of room/space)
Measure C (width of access point and room)

We also strongly urge that you exercise caution when ordering dining furniture based on current house plans. As is often the case, house plans can be changed during the construction phase often seeing a previously unheard of wall appearing or space narrowing to accommodate specific features.

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THE BUDGET



When you are considering updating your dining furniture or buying dining furniture for the first time, it is advisable to have a budget in mind. At Meubles we offer a wide and varied choice of dining furniture in various styles, finishes, woods, colours and price brackets.

If your budget is a little on the slim side invest your money on a good dining table and chairs. They are the main components of an effectively functioning home. If money allows, a matching sideboard is also worthwhile investing in. Both its storage area and surface area can be used to the maximum effect including storing delph, cutlery, documents, placemats along with displaying photos and lamps. If and when money allows you can possibly add to your dining furniture at a later time. But please note that we can't always guarantee that we will have each collection available indefinitely.



If you have a bigger budget or are looking for something a little more luxurious, we can easily cater for you too! We stock luxury brands such as Willis & Gambier and Iain James that offer a fantastic range of premium dining furniture. Most of these luxurious ranges have a wide choice of options in each collection allowing you to add glazed display units, dresser tops, bookcases etc.

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All furniture will need some maintenance and care to keep it in tip top shape. If you aren't in a position or don't care to do so, consider purchasing veneer or glass dining tables and dining furniture. They are usually easy to care for and don't scratch easily. At Meubles we stock both.

We however love the beauty of natural wood and painted finishes and offer a wide selection of dining furniture that is made out of these materials. They do need some extra care and attention but cared for regularly provide years of great satisfaction.



MAINTENANCE & CARE

Here's our main maintenance and care advice tips:

1. Most manufacturers provide maintenance and care advice for the items they produce. Ensure to read their care advice and follow it. Failure to do so can make the manufacturer's guarantee invalid.
2. To maintain the appearance of your furniture we recommend regular dusting with a soft cloth.
3. Some of our natural oak ranges will need oiling over time. Ensure to oil this furniture as recommended by the manufacturer.
4. Harsh detergents or cleaners should be avoided.
5. Keep furniture away from direct heat or sunlight as much as possible as the heat and sunlight can damage your furniture.
6. Spills should be mopped up immediately to prevent liquid stains.
7. The use of coasters, placemats and table cloths is recommended for hot items placed on furniture.
8. Take care when moving furniture as dragging pieces across a floor will cause damage to the joints. We recommend that larger items are lifted by 2 people.


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GUIDE TO
DINING ROOM FURNITURE

MEUBLES GUIDE TO BUYING DINING FURNITURE

The heart of the home must be the dining room/kitchen and the dining table. It serves as one of the most multipurpose items of furniture ever to grace a home; be it for family meals, entertaining, meetings and homework. For some it also works as the hub of their home office. So purchasing the right table, chairs and complementary dining furniture is paramount to the smooth running of the household and the family. It is essentially finding the balance between form and function.

At Meubles our buying team ensure that these functions are foremost in their minds when sourcing dining furniture. Apart from doing its job properly, each piece also has to look right, be durable and value for money.

OUR 5 TOP TIPS YOU SHOULD CONSIDER

1. The style and functionality you want in your kitchen/dining room
2. The furniture choices/options in each range
3. The space you have available
4. Your budget
5. Ongoing maintenance

Furniture for the most part is like fashion in that it follows trends and styles. Some trends are brand new, never seen before whilst others are a 'take' on a previous era. It is important when designing your kitchen/dining room that you know the style or look you want to achieve. For some customers, cool, crisp, clean lines is their desired style whilst for others it is formal.

What we're seeing in 2016 is a mixture of styles in dining furniture but quality is the key component across all.

THE STYLE & FUNCTION

At Meubles we are in the enviable position that we can cater for most styles or looks our customers want to achieve. Our dining furniture range includes:

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| Traditional | furniture that is inspired by a variety of eras often from the 18th and 19th centuries. Elements include rich hues, intricate details and antique handles and knobs. |
| Country | furniture that often has an antique look and feel. Painted finishes in soft palette colours or rich chunky tops and legs abound. |
| Rustic | furniture that features a mix of natural materials and finishes often encompassing rustic or distressed finishes with a vintage vibe. |
| Contemporary | furniture that has clean, crisp lines with uncluttered designs or features. It can include bold colours or a predominantly white based palette. |
| Transitional | furniture that bridges the gap between traditional and contemporary design. It typically features clean lines and timeless shapes, creating a simple, sophisticated look that complements a wide variety of designs. |
| Casual | furniture that includes generous seating, plush cushioning and informal styling. |

The dining table should be the focus of your decision when buying dining furniture. All other decisions (almost) should emanate from this one decision. If space is tight consider a glass top table instead of wood as it can give the illusion of more space. If wood is your priority, there are plenty of extending table options that tuck neatly away when not required. We also sell a great range of wooden tables in oak, cherry, walnut and painted colours with lots of different effects and styles.

After your table your focus should be on the chairs. Do you want them to match the dining table as a set or do you want to create your own bespoke dining set? At Meubles we stock a wide range of dining chairs and dining benches providing customers with the ability to acquire what they need and want. And why not go for a combination of the two, with dining chairs and dining bench! We offer a superb range including leather, wooden and fabric in various styles and finishes.

And next? It has to be the sideboard, display cabinet and occasional tables. Apart from offering great functionality, they can also dress a room and bring all elements together.

Why not take a look at our blog for the latest trends or call in-store to speak to one of sales advisors who can guide you through the myriad of choices ensuring what you choose is right for you and your needs.

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THE FURNITURE CHOICES/ OPTIONS IN EACH RANGE



To be able to offer our customers the best choice of dining furniture at reasonable prices, we constantly review and seek out the best furniture manufacturers. When we select those we want to work with, we carefully consider the complementary pieces they have in each range so we can provide our customers with a great mix and match range of options. So if money is tight now, it may be an idea to purchase the essentials and add additional items at a later stage. But please note that we can't always guarantee that we will have each collection available indefinitely.

In our dining ranges, we generally are able to offer you a choice of dining table size, a choice of chairs, different size sideboards, display cabinets and matching occasional tables such as lamp tables, console tables etc.

The number of options depends on each supplier. Many offer matching items that you can also use in your living room should you wish to keep the one look and style throughout both rooms.

Our dining furniture range is substantial. We offer a choice of veneer, hardwood, glass and painted dining furniture. Our wood colours include cherry, oak, walnut, mahogany, ash and reclaimed timbers. Our individual product specification sheets and our website will inform you of the type of wood used in each collection. They also include all relevant dimensions in centimetres. Some of our newer ranges include black and hammered effect metals for a more industrial look.

When you purchase your new table and chairs and/or dining furniture you'll want each piece to be in proportion to the size of the room and indeed other items that will also reside there. So it always makes sense to measure your space first. To visualise the size, it is a good idea to lay out newspaper or masking tape to the size of your furniture so you can see how much room it takes up. Don't forget to allow for extra room for the chairs when pulled out or any extension leaves that may be built into the table. Be mindful too if you are mixing and matching chair and table combinations that the there is enough room from the bottom of the table apron to the tops of the thighs when someone is seated.

THE AVAILABLE SPACE



Our product specification sheets that you'll find on our website or in our store gives the overall dimensions of the majority of the furniture we sell. These measurements include height (h), width (w), depth (d) and length (l) when applicable. All our measurements are in centimetres (cms) unless otherwise stated. This visual representation can be a very quick way of confirming one way or another if you are choosing correctly.

We also strongly recommend that you consider the access to your kitchen or dining room when your furniture is delivered. Some items we sell come fully assembled and may have difficulty squeezing up a stairs or through a door. We do however sell some furniture that has removable legs etc. that can address these issues. If this is a potential issue, ask us about these options.