



BorderSundials

Hand crafted horizontal, vertical and armillary sundials





A passion for time and space

Border Sundials was born out of a curiosity about the geometry of space and time; the creation of Capel Hanbury Tenison, master craftsman and inspirational artist.

The unique and personal nature of his work is inspired by the character of each client and their garden.

Every sundial is expertly crafted and precisely calibrated by Capel at his Welsh countryside workshop ensuring a flawless finish and a beautiful, bespoke piece of artistry.



Timeless beauty

For centuries, sundials have connected the heavens with earth. As they silently mark the earth's rotations around the sun and the passing of time, a dial brings ageless beauty to any site.

Their gentle sculptural forms can transform the most ordinary of spaces into somewhere spectacular. Reflecting

colour and light, they create enticing vistas and magical secret arbors.

They bring memories to life, with loving inscriptions or thoughtful words of inspiration. A garden with a sundial is a garden where every moment is treasured, forever.



“I must govern the clock,
not be governed by it”

Golda Meir

Armillary Spheres

An expression of ancient
tradition and modern
engineering

Capturing time in its sculptural form, an armillary sphere will bring an impressive focus to your garden.

If you are looking for a very special gift, an armillary sphere engraved with your personal thoughts and good wishes, makes a magnificent present that will last a lifetime.

Our armillary spheres come in a range of sizes from 50cm up to an impressive 100cm diameter, or even bigger. and can be formed in antiqued brass, verdigris bronze or polished stainless steel.





Brass Armillary Spheres

A brass armillary sphere has a soft warm golden colour that will gently darken over the years to a rich chocolate brown colour.



“Sundials offer the gift of time to a wanting space, capturing a moment in sculptural form to embody it through the years”



Stainless Steel Armillary Spheres

Our stainless steel armillary spheres are hand engineered out of the highest grade stainless steel and polished to a perfect mirror finish. Their sharp lines and the quality of the light they reflect make these amazing garden sculptures a stunning centre piece for the modern garden.



Bronze Armillary Spheres

Our bronze armillary spheres are verdigrised to look like they have been in your garden for years. The soft blues and greens will make a glorious foil for all the colours of your garden.



"The time
you enjoy
wasting
is not
wasted time"
Bertrand Russell

Cascade



This graceful water feature can stand alone or be beautifully paired with any of our armillary spheres.



Add a sense of motion and the serene beauty of reflection to your garden.

Water flows in a continuous cycle, gently cascading over a polished stainless steel bowl.



Horizontal Sundials

The rhythm of the seasons

Catching the eye, creating a focal point and meeting place, our horizontal sundials captivate the curious mind and turn sunlight into moments in time.

All our sundials are made to commission, each one a truly unique gift of time. Available in a range of sizes from 8 inch upwards, our dials are made in either a thick brass; a beautiful soft golden glow that weathers slowly to a mellow brown finish or exquisite verdigrised bronze.



Classic

This dial has a clean and simple design allowing your personalised inscription to take prominence.



Kepler

Inspired by German astronomer Johannes Kepler, incorporating "The Equation of Time", a graph that corrects solar time to clock time throughout the year.



Nautical

Classic and simple, this dial gives the illusion of curvature with italicized lettering dispersing from the gnomon.



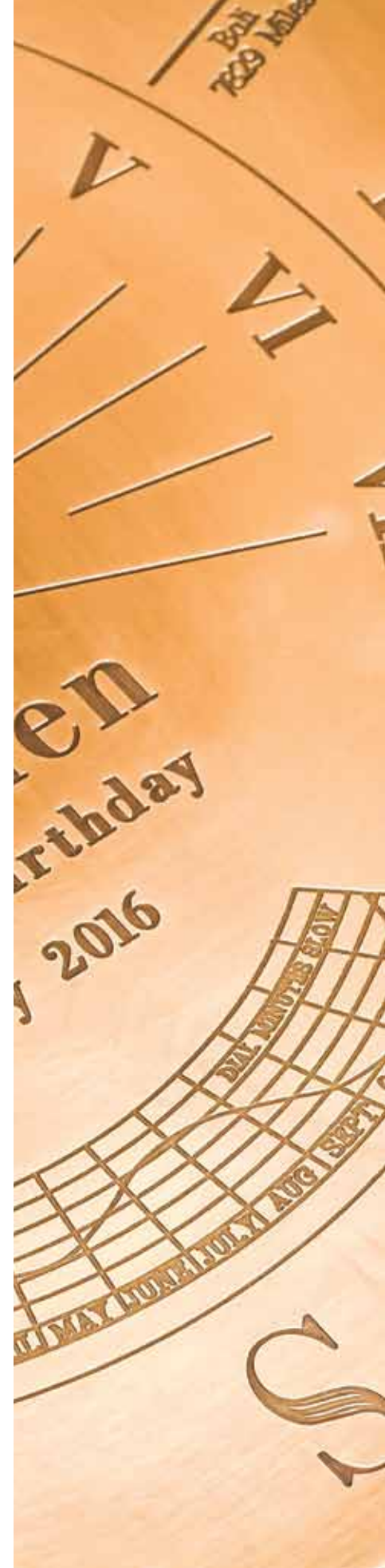
Roman

This traditional design provides the most space to add your own personalised dedication to the dial face.



Topographic

This stunning design features an additional compass ring with arrows which can point to special locations of your choice.



Vertical Sundials



Bespoke time keeping

A wall mounted sundial is special in every way. Each one is exclusive, both as a work of art and in their bespoke calibration for time keeping.

Accurate measurements of your wall's declination and aspect are needed in order to ensure precise timekeeping.

If you would like to commission a wall dial then please call to arrange a time for us to come and measure your wall and discuss your design requirements.

“Here comes the sun,
here comes the sun,
And I say it's all right”

The Beatles



The Crescent Dial

The Crescent dial creates interesting lines from every angle. It allows plenty of options to engrave personal thoughts and good wishes, as well as having space for direction pointers to your special places, creating a unique gift that will last a lifetime.

The Crescent dial is crafted from brass to your latitude and aged to an antique golden colour.




Sundial Plinths



We offer an extensive variety of natural and reconstituted stone plinths to complement your dial.

Please call us to discuss the best plinth for your sundial.



“Sculpture is
never stagnant,
with every season
it changes,
morphing with the
sun, the wind and
the rain, evolving
within its space,
encapsulating the
essence of time”

Capel Hanbury Tenison



A bespoke commission

Add your own character to a Border Sundials design. Change the material, size, finish, etching and engraving to create your very own design which perfectly represents you.

Limited only by your imagination, a bespoke commission provides countless combinations and guarantees a unique dial.

Owning one of our sundials is possible wherever you live with our world wide delivery. We will also ensure that the calibration of your sundial is accurate to your global location.

Remember, though, because of the position of the sun horizontal sundials do not work close to the equator.

Contact us to discuss your requirements and begin your journey to a bespoke sundial.

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