

# Ordering a Knife:

## How to buy a knife from me.

This is a short page to clarify how I do business.

I do not have a running catalogue with price list; this is not a typical catalogue website. The knives posted in the Gallery are repeatable designs and the price for each design is for the basic model offered. Stone pockets, fire steel and handle material will alter the final price.

All the knives I make are bespoke custom designs, made to order. You may see a pattern or style of knife you are interested in, or you may have a specific design of your own.

Please [contact me](#) with your design requirements and general details. Once we have finalised your order and you are agreeable, you make a GB£50 deposit (per knife). When the project is complete, I will calculate the shipping, you pay the balance with shipping costs and your knife will be despatched to you.

Since all my knives and their sheaths' are handmade, waiting time is approximately 3 to 6 months. I dedicate a lot of time to create each piece, and I operate on a first come, first served basis. However, should time frames change, I will contact you.

When your blade requires sharpening; if you return it to me, covering 2 way shipping costs, I will sharpen your blade at no extra charge to you.

### Custom Knife Illustrations and Descriptions

Since nearly all my knives are represented via this website, please consider the following points:

- **Photographic lighting and display:** I use a very well-made digital camera under colour balanced lighting to photograph the knives, but there are differences in displays and colour monitors that may contribute to a slightly different colour balance, resolution, contrast, and appearance on each monitor. Knife materials can look different in various lighting situations. For example, knives viewed under florescent lighting may look much different than when viewed in direct sunlight or tungsten-

based room lighting. Some of the gemstone materials vary widely when viewed under different lighting. Monitors can vary significantly, and monitor lighting balance, contrast, density, and colour temperature can be set and changed by different users even on the same monitor. Therefore, I can not guarantee that the colours will exactly match what you see on your monitor.

- **Materials:** I'll do my best to use the materials you've requested in your custom knife order. Not all materials requested can be used for each project, but I'll inform you of any materials change I may need to make on your project.
- **Texture:** I'll do my best to finish and apply the texture you've requested on your knife. Not all textures and finishes will apply, and this is handled on an individual basis. You will always be informed of any changes necessary on your project, and the reasons for those changes. I do my best to describe the texture of metals, stones, and organics used in knife, sheath, and stand construction. Since this is subjective, the photographic illustrations should be considered as well as the descriptions.
- **Balance and Feel:** Though these properties are subjective, I offer my interpretations based on experience in making and handling knives for three decades to describe knife and sheath balance and feel. If a knife feels light and comfortable to me, it may not feel so to someone else with smaller hands. I do my best to describe each knife, but my interpretations may be different than yours as no two people are exactly alike. Again, the photographs, measurements, and specifications must also be considered with the description. Since balance and feel is subjective and the knife design will have already been agreed upon, it is not a reason to accept a return or cancellation of your order.
- **Weight and Size:** Unlike balance, feel, and texture, weight and sizes are absolute. The handle can be sized for your hand using the handle sizing page [here](#) (thanks to Jay Fisher's Website). If you have any changes or variations of an existing pattern, we will have discussed it and clarified it in the email discussion about your project before I begin. There should be no confusion about how big a handle is, for instance, as the length of the blade and the overall length are measured and posted on every knife. Just subtract one from the other, and you'll know exactly how big the handle is. The blade length is

from the tip of the blade to the front bolster face, as that is the specification required by legal definition in most states. Some knives that have bolsters or guards that extend beyond the cutting edge into the blade are not measured this way; they are measured at the cutting edge. The overall length is the longest dimension of the knife. The thickness is measured in the thickest part of the blade spine, usually just in front of the front bolster or guard. Weights are measured with an accurate postal scale.