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Caskets & Urns





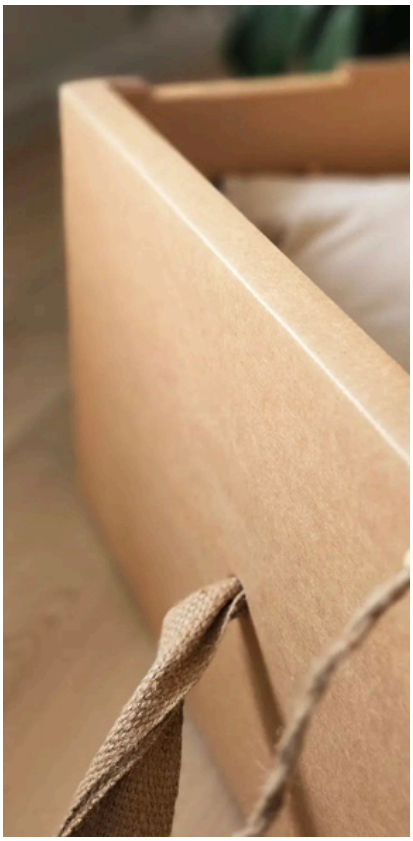
Choosing a casket

This is a collection of our standard caskets. Some of them will be available immediately, while others might need to be ordered and will take a couple of working days to construct and deliver. All caskets are solid wood unless specified otherwise. Prices are GST inclusive. Measurements are internal, and in millimetres.

OUTSIDE THE BOX

Personalised, beautiful, sustainable caskets with a difference

- Proudly designed and made in New Zealand
- FSC-certified recycled and virgin paper
- 100% biodegradable and compostable
- Certified by Natural Burials NZ
- Natural jute handles
- Suitable for burial and cremation
- Weighs 20kg less than a traditional casket
- Independently load tested to 320kg
- 6'3" x 23" x 14"



We also provide Outside the Box urns.

We can only keep one or two caskets on-site, due to space limitations. Kraft and printed caskets can usually be delivered within 2 or 3 business days. Personalised caskets may take around a week for design, printing and delivery.



“Just put me in a cardboard box.”
But what a box!

PLAIN KRAFT $1,441



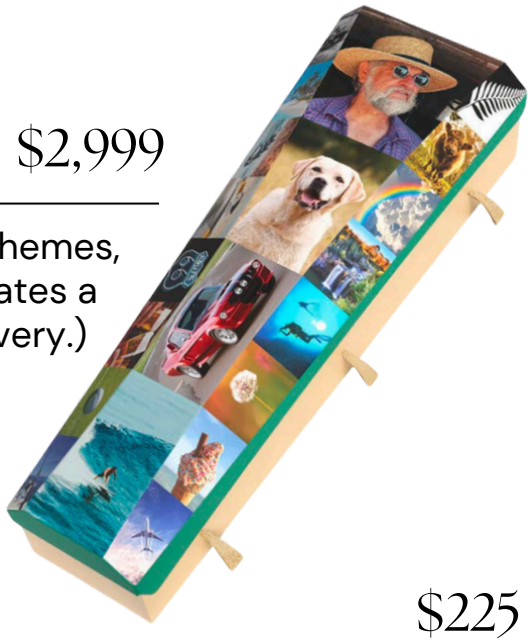
A simple, natural kraft finish, ready to use as-is, or as a blank canvas for drawing, writing or personal decoration.

PRINTED $2,220

Popular nature and NZ-inspired printed lid designs, ready to order.
(See currently available designs on the next two pages.)

PERSONALISED $2,999

Families can provide their own photos, themes, colours or collages. Outside the Box creates a one-off printed lid. (Adds 3 days to delivery.)





URNS $225

These urns are available in the same designs as the caskets - but of course you don’t have to use one of the caskets to choose from these beautiful urns. Suitable for interment, or to be kept somewhere dry and out of direct sunlight.



Paradiso Bloom



Tūī Song



Hidden Falls



Golden Shoreline



Garden Monarch



Kererū Forest



Alpine Lupins



Ancient Koru



Sunflower



Fern



Coastal



Fantail



Flower



Starry Night Sky



Pōhutukawa



Hibiscus



Butter fly

RAGLAN $1,990

A no-fuss, down-to-earth option in solid pine. The Raglan has chunky handles, wooden thumbscrews (no metal), a clover-honey colouring, and a soft, almost furry, rough-sawn surface. Certified for natural burial.

SIZE Standard 1860mm x 575mm; oversized available by special order

MAKER Down to Earth





While the handles pictured on the casket are available by special order, we use the above style as standard. Both styles are nickle-plated.

CAMBRIDGE ROSEWOOD $2,275

An MDF casket with classic detailing and a satin dark-wine coloured finish. Silver-coloured handles and thumbscrews are available. A more affordable option in a more traditional style.

SIZE Standard 1850mm x 560mm

MAKER Windsor



CAMBRIDGE LIGHT OAK $2,495

The second of our MDF caskets, with a fine-detailed grain appearance and a low sheen finish. Raised lid and rounded handles provide a traditional style. Lighter in weight and cost.

SIZE Standard 1850mm x 560mm; oversized available by special order

MAKER Windsor



COROMANDEL $2,690

Chunky, squared-off handles and wooden thumbscrews (no metal) adorn this solid pine casket. The finely-sanded, smooth, light-coloured finish is good for felt-tips or paints. Certified for natural burial.

SIZE Standard 1860mm x 575mm; oversized available by special order

MAKER Down to Earth



SOMERSET WHITE HIGH GLOSS $2,990

An MDF casket with a high-gloss veneer, the Somerset provides an elegant option with less weight and cost that other options. White satin trimming and handles available in silver or gold.

SIZE Standard 1850mm x 560mm
MAKER Windsor



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DORSET SOLID TOTARA $4,425

Made with solid native totara recycled from the timber industry, with a unique knotty timber and a matte oil finish. Windsor donates a native tree for each Dorset Rimu sold.

SIZE 1860mm x 560mm
MAKER Windsor



DORSET MACROCARPA $3,795

Crafted from recycled Macrocarpa sourced from the timber industry. The natural knotty wood provides a unique visual and tactile finish. Windsor donates a native tree for each Dorset Macrocarpa sold.

SIZE Standard 1850mm x 560mm
MAKER Windsor



DORSET RIMU $4,995

Solid rimu recycled from the timber industry, oiled for a smooth, richly coloured and textured finish. Raised lid for traditional styling. Windsor donates a native tree for each Dorset Rimu sold.

SIZE 1860mm x 560mm
MAKER Windsor



LINCOLN SOLID DARK OAK $5,555

Crafted from solid Mahogany, routed detailing and a raised lid with a high gloss lacquer. The traditional styling of an oak casket without the extra weight or cost of full oak, while still being solid timber.

SIZE Standard 1850mm x 560mm
oversized available by special order

MAKER Windsor



WHATU MOENGA SEAGRASS $2,900

A lightweight yet sturdy casket woven from seagrass with a soft, plant-based Kapok lining for sustainable comfort. Suitable for natural burial. (There is a matching seagrass urn, p9.)

SIZE 1860mm x 560mm

MAKER Windsor



Please note: willow or seagrass caskets cannot be cremated at Karori Crematorium

ARCHETYPE PINE $2,950

Handcrafted from locally sourced, untreated pine with a wax polish finish that suits felt tips or paint. The beautifully curved runner handles allow for more flexibility when choosing pallbearers. Inside is a woollen mattress and pillow. Certified for natural burial.

SIZE	Standard 1800mm x 555mm; oversized available by special order
MAKER	Return to Sender



CREMATION ARK $495

Extremely simple and fit-for-purpose, the MDF Cremation Ark is used for Direct Cremations (where no family is present) or for other functional transportation needs.

SIZE	Standard 1850mm x 560mm; oversized available by special order
MAKER	Windsor



Home-made caskets

It's so special to farewell a loved one in a home-made casket. In the case of cremation, we'll need to know the (external) dimensions and composite materials, due to the size limits of the cremator machine and regulations on things like paint or varnish (which may produce smoke). We'll need to know the dimensions for burial, too, and in both cases, we'll talk through weight and a few other health and safety items.

Let's talk about what you have in mind.



Urns

Like caskets, we keep a small range of urns at our office. We have regular suppliers and particular urns that we can recommend depending on your needs and preferences.

Most urns come in a standard “large” size that will (almost always) be sufficient to accommodate one person’s ashes. Some styles may also be available in smaller sizes, either for division of ashes into portions or in “keepsake” (very small) sizes designed so that you can keep your loved one’s ashes close at hand.

The sizes listed for the urns in this booklet are external measurements.

If we don’t have the urn you want in stock, most can be delivered from their makers within three or four business days.

We can transfer ashes for you, or let you know the best approach if you’re happy to make that transfer yourself.

BYO urn

People sometimes find an urn they love online. We can order this for you, or if you are ordering the urn yourself, please check and double-check the measurements to ensure it is the size you need. If the urn is to be interred or transported (eg couriered), we’ll need to check it is robust enough and can be packaged safely.

If there is sufficient capacity, and it can be sealed, then we can use almost anything as an ashes urn. We’ve helped families to take home their loved one’s ashes in a silver teapot, an earthenware jug and a presentational whisky box. Talk to us about what you have in mind.



Crematorium urns

Each crematorium will return a deceased's ashes enclosed in an urn, which is provided at no extra cost. The urn will be fully functional and there's no necessity to buy a new urn for interment, to keep at home or to scatter ashes. However, some families like to purchase something more personalised or which is more to their taste. It's entirely up to you, and there's no rush. Ashes can be transferred into a new urn any time.



Karori's standard urn is a hexagonal pine. This comes in a cardboard cover to protect the wood. The bottom is secured by screws. Ashes are held in an interior plastic urn with a screw-top lid which can easily be opened for ashes transfer or scattering.

Width 170mm
Height 215mm

For over-sized ashes, Karori uses a rectangular urn of the same varnished pine.

Whenua Tapu and Akatarawa use a rectangular white plastic as standard. There is a circular plug on the bottom of the urn which can be removed by turning it using a coin or similar tool. Ashes are then free to be scattered or transferred.

Length 260mm
Width 140mm
Height 115mm



Windsor



MACROCARPA $460

Matches the Dorset Macrocarpa casket. Also made of reclaimed timber and oiled to a soft, warm finish.

Length l310mm
Width 200mm
Height 180mm

Windsor



SOLID OAK $550

A classic style urn made from solid Oak. Raised lid in a high gloss lacquer.

Length l310mm
Width 200mm
Height 175mm

Windsor



RIMU $495

Recycled Rimu finished with oil to enhance the natural tones and texture. Complement the Dorset Rimu casket.

Length l310mm
Width 200mm
Height 180mm

Windsor



RIMU (PAUA INLAY) $525

Solid recycled Rimu with a smooth satin finish and a strip of sustainably sourced Pāua shell. Also available in solid mahogany.

Length l310mm
Width 200mm
Height 153mm

Windsor



TRADITIONAL CARVED $570

Solid pine with rosewood finish and hand-carved Puhoro design, symbolising a speedy journey for loved ones. Made in partnership with Pūkaha National Wildlife Centre.

Length l300mm
Width 195mm
Height 175mm

Windsor



SEAGRASS URN – ROUND $255

An intricate handwoven design made in Indonesia from renewable seagrass, using traditional techniques. Fully biodegradable.

Width 120mm
Height 230mm

Windsor



RATTAN SCATTER TUBE $210

Made from sustainably harvested rattan. Lightweight, strong and long lasting. Made in Indonesia using traditional weaving techniques.

Width 145mm
Height 370mm

Windsor



RATTAN RECTANGLE URN $255

Woven using traditional techniques in Indonesia, using sustainably harvested rattan. Lightweight, strong and long lasting.

Length 225mm
Width 225mm
Height 220mm



SCATTER TUBES $125

There are several suppliers in NZ who sell scatter tubes - these are designed for easy and tidy scattering of ashes.

The Mortech range (example pictured, left) is made from 100% recycled cardboard. No inner tube. The lid fits snugly and can be taped shut for security, then removed to scatter ashes. Available in a wide range of designs.

Large 317 X 125mm
Small 165 x 85mm

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DREAM CANOE $1,950

A unique waka for the final journey. Woven from willow with a ply base, this beir (shroud board) comes with a hood for dignity in transportation.

SIZES 180cms x W 52cms. Hood 30cms
MAKER Go Willow



MEDIUM DREAM COFFIN $3,000

Woven from willow, with a ply base and lined with recycled wool, cornstarch and unbleached calico. A wooden panel on the lid provides for written messages. Lightweight but sturdy, it can carry up to 150kg. Each casket has a unique combination of natural willow colours: tan, chestnut, khaki and green. Appropriate for natural burial.

SIZES 189 cms x 59 cms x 36cms
MAKER Go Willow



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