

# BIG WOODEN GATES

Made to measure wooden driveway gates

## Thank you for choosing BG Wooden Gates

You have chosen a product made from wood which has been manufactured to your unique requirements. Our dedicated, highly skilled joiners have crafted your items from carefully selected and responsibly sourced timber. This natural product is one of the most versatile and beautiful materials available to us providing a long term solution to endless applications. We hope you will be very happy with your gates. Please find details below on how to maintain your gates.

### Timber

Timber is a natural product therefore if the atmosphere is wet, damp or humid the wood will take on water and expand. If dry it will lose water and shrink. This can cause your product to expand and contract and at different times and when subject to different conditions. This can also affect decorative coatings and can cause the timber to split or twist, it is the responsibility of the end user to visually inspect their product on a regular basis and be aware of the need for maintenance. Our guidelines for maintenance are below.

### Gates Treated with teak oil

A Teak oil finish will evaporate over time. Three coats initially saturates a substrate but, will and or absorb into or away from the surface of the substrate over time. This period of time cannot be guaranteed or pre determined as factors such as wood grain density and climatic conditions are beyond our control. Products supplied with a teak oil finish that is not reapplied regularly the timber will start to grey naturally, we recommend to ensure the longevity of the finish you should recoated within the 4-6 weeks of installation and every three to six months thereafter, these timings may be sooner if the gates are exposed to periods of long dry weather. We have supplied complimentary teak oil for your first application and further supplies can be bought from your local decorating supplier. For specialist oils please refer to the product web site.

### Gates with a stain or paint finish

We recommend that you should periodically inspect your gates for splits, cracked finish or fading of finish and ingress of moisture, most years all that will be required is a touch up by sanding of the area and applying a new coat of paint to the affected area or reapplying a stain finish. Painting or staining over an area without cleaning and sanding is not recommended as this could cause even worse damage to the gate. Bare wood or a cracking painted surface permits water to penetrate into the wood itself which is a huge invitation for micro-organisms, mould and fungus. Sanding down the area needing repair and allowing it to dry before refinishing keeps the wood from rotting.

As long as preventative measures are taken the wooden gate will remain in prime condition for many years. Maintaining your wooden gate will retain its durability and save you money in the long run.

The type and level of maintenance required will depend on the item's location and exposure to the weather. An item in a south facing position in a coastal area will deteriorate far quicker than one that is north facing and sheltered from the wind and rain.

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## Gates that have been automated

We strongly recommend that you service your automation on a yearly basis

Your gates have been automated by Garage Door Automation Ltd who recommends a regular maintenance schedule; they would be pleased to discuss with you this as it relates to your specific installation. This will allow them to identify any potential problems in advance and take preventative measures in good time

If you have any problems with your automation in the future or wish to discuss a maintenance contract please contact Garage Door Automation on Tel.0800 046 4358

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