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**1-Day Introductory Course at Cheddar Upholstery School**

**All our classes are held at our workshop premises at:**

**Barrows House**

**Tweentown**

**Cheddar**

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**Start: 09.30am**

**Lunch break: 1pm – 1.45pm (approx.)**

**Finish: 4.30pm**

**Access**

Barrows House is located opposite the Catholic Church on Tweentown, on the right hand side if you are heading towards the Gorge, on the corner of The Hayes. Please use the **Workshop Entrance** next to the grey double garage doors at the front left side of the building next door to A-M Hairstylist.

(please note that we are currently in the process of changing the signage to the front door of the workshop, so just look out for the sign of the chair!).

There is a small car park behind the Catholic Church Hall but please do not use their main car park which is for their hall and church users. Otherwise, it is on-street parking on the adjacent roads, so do allow time to find a suitable space and please be considerate to our neighbours by not blocking their driveways.

**What is covered in our 1-Day Introductory classes?**

These classes are designed for students new to upholstery. We will cover many of the basic techniques and skills used in traditional upholstery so that students who wish to, can move onto more challenging projects on other regular courses and workshops.

We have made these 1-Day Courses simple to attend as we have included everything you need to start your upholstery journey. So, we have included the following:

* An antique/vintage chair with either a drop-in seat pad or pincushion pad (several to choose from on the day)
* Choice of any upholstery grade fabric from our roll ends and rummage boxes
* Choice of gimp braid, piping, decorative trims
* All traditional materials for stuffing, covering and sewing, including webbing, hessian, coir, horsehair, twine, cotton calico, recycled wool felt and needled cotton
* Use of workshop tools and equipment

We teach you the following skills and techniques:

* Introduction to tools, equipment and materials in the upholstery workshop and how to handle them successfully and with care
* Introduction to techniques and methods used in traditional reupholstery
* Introduction to some basic wood restoration, repairs and treatments

**What you need to bring with you:**

* Notepad and pencil
* Mobile phone camera
* Your lunch and any snacks/drinks that you prefer according to dietary requirements

**What we provide:**

* Tea/coffee or herbal tea and biscuits, offered at intervals through the course of the day

**Your tutor**

Jill Humphrey, AMUSF (Association of Master Upholsterers and Soft Furnishers) qualified at full diploma level with 12 years’ continuous experience of commercial practice and 6 years as a tutor. Former owner and Master Upholsterer at Pretty Sitting Upholstery & Interiors in Cheddar for 6 years and owner/director of Cheddar Upholstery School.

**Cleaning, Recycling & Health and Safety**

We ask all students to tidy up their bench and sweep/hoover around at the end of the class before departure. We take recycling very seriously as it is a challenging issue for the upholstery industry, as a whole. We provide recycling bins for all materials removed and/or discarded from your project work and ask you to place it in the appropriately marked bins.

Health and Safety of all students and members of staff and customers is of the utmost importance. We provide a first aid kit if you have an accident and we would also ask you to ensure that you use all products and materials safely as instructed.

Please come prepared to work standing (mostly) at a bench in a commercial workshop environment. We would suggest that you layer up with warm clothes on colder days and wear comfortable shoes with thick soles (tacks can hurt if trodden on!). The Workshop is on one level and we have kitchen/dining facilities for your use. Included is a fridge, microwave, toaster and kettle and crockery. There is also a single unisex toilet on the premises. **If you have any mobility or additional support needs please let Jill know.**

If you have any questions or concerns please don’t hesitate to contact Jill (contact details above) prior to attending your course and she will be happy to advise you.