

Detailed Description Dress Display

The prices quoted below have been calculated to help manage expectations about what can be done and for what price. The cost of an item is based around the cost of materials, and the cost of the work to make the item. Sometimes the cost of the materials just relates to the size of the item, but the amount of work is the same regardless of the size. Therefore, a large item doesn't necessarily cost twice the price of something half the size.

These prices are reasonable guide prices. We would need to provide a formal quote though. Prices DO NOT include delivery to you.



Basic Pricing refers to the basic display case without any fixings or special features. The 1st column gives the internal dimensions of the display case. The 2nd column gives the price of the basic box and lining. The 3rd column gives the less expensive combination of front frame and glass. The 4th column gives the more expensive combination of front frame and glass. Additional information is provided further down.

Basic Pricing

Internal Dimensions	Shadow Box, Mount Board Lining and Front Mount Painted Box	Tempered Non-UV Glass, with Less Costly Front Frame Moulding LESS EXPENSIVE	Tempered UV Glass, with Costly Front Frame Moulding EXPENSIVE	Lowest price is the least expensive option and the highest price is the more expensive option. TOTAL COST
1.83M x .61M x .40 Deep	£630.00	£300.00	£830.00	£930.00 - £1,460.00
1.83M x .61M x .20 Deep	£525.00	£300.00	£830.00	£825.00 - £1,375.00
1.22M x .61M x .40 Deep	£315.00	£270.00	£617.00	£585.00 - £932.00
1.22M x .61M x .20 Deep	£225.00	£270.00	£617.00	£495.00 - £843.00
		Includes Non-UV Treated Glass and Lower Priced Front Frame	Includes UV Treated Glass and Higher Priced Front Frame	

Optional Extras include some of the items that improve the effectiveness of the display case. Wall fixings or a floor plinth are not really optional as one of them will usually be needed.

Optional Extras

Internal Dimensions	Wall Fixings or Floor Plinth	Cloth Inner Denim/Cotton (Silk)	Shelves Wood (Glass)	
1.83M x .61M x .40 Deep	£45.00	£140.00 (£260.00)	£52.00 (£105.00)	
1.83M x .61M x .40 Deep	£45.00	£120.00 (240.00)	£52.00 (£105.00)	
1.22M x .61M x .40 Deep	£45.00	£130.00 (£240.00)	£52.00 (£105.00)	
1.22M x .61M x .40 Deep	£45.00	£100.00 (£210.00)	£52.00 (£105.00)	

We can supply other options as well such as outside feature decoration of the shadow box, as seen in the picture to the right.

Additional Information

Box Size

This shows the internal dimensions of the display case for 4 different sizes. The back box, or to give its proper name the shadow box, is made of high quality MDF, glued and if necessary screwed together.

The 1.83 metre x .61 metre size is for a display case that displays your wedding dress in the way in which you wore it. The bodice could be hung on an ornate hanger, or maybe dressed on a mannequin. The train could be displayed as the background to the mounted bodice, arranged around the side, hang down from the bodice, or arranged how you like.

The 1.22 metre x 0.61 metre size is for a display case that would display the bodice and part of the train as worn, but would have the rest of the train used as a background

The 0.4-metre-deep size means that the bodice could be filled out to its proper size and placed on top of the folded, or lightly crumpled train which is used as a backdrop.



The 0.2-metre deep size means that the bodice could be partially filled out to give the front some shape, with the back being flat.

It is possible to go down to 0.1-metre deep box where everything is displayed flat, almost like a picture.

Front Mount

Mount board is a form of very high-quality cardboard, made of acid free fibre and comes in large sheets, and numerous colours.

The front mount is the internal cut out lining that sits just behind the glass, and hides the cut edges of the box, it also acts as a seal between the outside and the inside, and as a form of flexible fixing for the glass. The front mount of the smaller boxes could be cut in one piece, but the larger boxes would need more pieces. The front mount can be visible and protrude into the viewing area, or sit behind the front frame. You see an example of a grey front mount in the picture on the right.



Internal Mount Lining.

This is the lining that covers all the internal surfaces of the shadow box, we can supply the pieces already glued into position, or loose for you to glue yourself.

As well as providing a pleasing internal lining to the inside of the shadow box, it also acts as an air filter that stops airborne pollutants degrading the dress. Mount board can be cut into any shape, subject to the maximum size of board that can be bought. The maximum size sheet is 1.12 metre x 0.815 metre, so the bigger boxes would need to be lined with 2 sheets, that would leave a fine, but visible join line. The join line could be hidden by a decorative feature such as a thin decorative strip. Mount board can either be the visible lining, or it can be used as a surface to fix a cloth lining to.



Toughened Glass Front

Because of the size of the display case, the front glass would need to be made of toughened glass, for safety reasons. The glass would come as a 1 piece. UV glass has been specially treated to reduce the amount of UV radiation that passes through the glass, and is more expensive. UV radiation can cause yellowing of fabric and degrade the dress material over time. Keeping the display out of direct sunlight helps reduce UV radiation. The expensive option mentioned in the price table includes UV treated glass, and the less expensive option includes non-UV treated glass

Front Frame

This is the ornate front that holds everything together, and is what people normally mean they talk about a picture frame. The proper name is moulding and it is supplied in long strips of either decorative wood, or high-quality synthetic material. It is difficult to tell the difference between the wood and plastic. In many cases high quality plastic can be preferred over wood, as it is cheaper, and isn't so liable to warp or distort as wood is. These strips are accurately cut to shape and then glued and pinned together. The front frame is then fixed to the shadow box. It holds the front mount and glass front firmly in position.

We can cut mouldings of up to 75mm wide on our own equipment, but anything wider needs to be done at the factory for technical reasons.



The EXPENSIVE option mentioned in the price table includes factory cut moulding, more than 75mm wide in the mid-price range of £55.00 per metre run. The LESS EXPENSIVE option includes moulding in the lower price area of less than 75mm wide and of £10.00 per metre run.

Painting.

The outside of the shadow box can be painted in the colour of your choice, popular colours are white and black though. The colour should ideally though blend with the frame, the displayed item and the room if not using black or white.

Optional Items

These optional items can enhance the appearance of the finished display case

Wall Fixings

If your display case is going to be fixed to a wall, then it needs fixing of some sort on the back or the side. It might not be possible to fix the heavier and large display cases to a wall.



Floor Plinth

Larger display case could be free standing on the floor, with a support fixing holding the top to a wall. A very effective way of displaying a dress in a narrow frame would be to lean it against a wall. Either way a floor plinth would need to be made to protect the bottom of the frame and decorative moulding.

Cloth Liner

The cloth liner would make it easier for you to fix your dress to the inside of the display case. It should be seen as an addition to the internal mount lining and not a replacement as the internal mount lining acts as an air filter, but the cloth lining by itself doesn't. The lower price is the cost of a cotton/denim liner and the higher price a silk type liner.

Internal Shelf

As well as displaying the dress, other items such as shoes, bouquet, and glasses are also displayed and this can be displayed on additional shelves. The cost of a shelf depends on the size of a shelf and the material that it is made from. The lower price is a guide to the price of a wooden shelf, and the higher price that of a clear glass shelf.

Other Options

We can provide pricing on numerous other options ranging from ornate display hangers through to providing a complete mounting toolkit in a box.



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