

Cookie Policy

Like other websites our website uses cookies. Cookies are small pieces of data that websites store on a device when a visitor accesses a website. Cookies can improve your browsing experience because they help websites remember preferences and understand how people use different features.

The law states that we can store cookies on your device if they are strictly necessary for the operation of this site. For all other types of cookies (non-essential) we need your permission.

We comply with this through our Cookie banner to

- 1. Provide clear and comprehensive information regarding the website's cookie usage.
- 2. Display that information prominently so visitors can easily access it.
- 3. Obtain consent from the website visitor to drop the non-essential cookies.

What Kind of Information Is Collected

Our website is hosted by <u>Squarespace</u> (from the UK this is Squarespace Ireland Limited) who use two types of cookies:

1. Functional and Required Cookies

Some cookies are necessary because they allow visitors to navigate and use key features on the site. These cookies vary from site to site depending on the features it uses. By way of example

Cookie	Duration	Function
Crumb	Session	Prevents Cross site Request Forgery (CSRF)
ss_cookie_allowed	30 days	Remembers if a visitor agreed to placing Analytics cookies on their browser if a site is restricting the placement of cookies

2. Analytics and Performance Cookies.

These <u>analytics and performance cookies</u> are collected by the web host Squarespace on this site when you acknowledge our cookie banner. These involve collecting date & time of visit, IP address, Referrer, Browser version, Operating system.

Details of the cookies and the duration the cookies will stay on your machine are below.

Cookie Name	Duration	Purpose
ss_cid	2 years	Identifies unique visitors and tracks a visitor's sessions on a site
ss_cpvisit	2 years	Identifies unique visitors and tracks a visitor's sessions on a site
ss_cvisit	30 minutes	Identifies unique visitors and tracks a visitor's sessions on a site
ss_cvr	2 years	Identifies unique visitors and tracks a visitor's sessions on a site
ss_cvt	30 minutes	Identifies unique visitors and tracks a visitor's sessions on a site

When you accept our cookie banner you will not see it again for 30 days unless you clear your cookies.

We also use Google Analytics cookies to collect anonymous usage and visitor behaviour information which enables us to better understand how our website is used and in turn improve our website and the services offered through it. Data collected includes:

- IP address
- operating system
- browser type
- pages visited
- links you click on

How do We Use the Information?

We treat data in accordance with the Data Protection Act 2018.

We use information provided by Squarespace Analytics collected from website visits to improve the experience we provide to our online users and to provide insight into site traffic, site activity, how visitors find our site, and audience engagement with our site. For example, information like the browser and device you are using helps us to maintain a usable and accessible website for all our audiences. Data related to the most popular pages and length of time spent on pages gives us an indication of what is important to our visitors and enables us to develop more relevant content.

Google Analytics generates statistical and other information about website usage. The information collected about usage of our website is not personally identifiable, is collected anonymously, stored by Google and

used by us to create reports about website usage. Google's privacy policy is available at http://www.google.com/privacypolicy.html.

External Links

We have links to our Facebook and Instagram sites from our website.

This cookie policy applies only to our website, so we encourage you to read the privacy statements on the other websites you visit. We cannot be responsible for the privacy policies and practices of other websites even if you access them using links from our website.

In addition, if you linked to our website from a third party site, we cannot be responsible for the privacy policies and practices of the owners and operators of that third party site and recommend that you check the privacy policy of that third party site.

You can read the Facebook cookie policy here. You can read the Instagram cookie policy here.

Disabling Squarespace Analytics and Performance Cookies does not disable cookies placed by third-party services connected to our site, such as Facebook Pixel or Google Analytics.

To opt out of being tracked by Google Analytics across all websites, visit <u>http://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout</u>.

Can I refuse cookies?

Yes, you can use your browser settings to disable cookies. Different browsers offer different levels of control – for example you may be able to accept certain cookies and reject others, such as third party cookies.

If you refuse cookies please be aware our website may not work smoothly for you and there will be certain parts that won't function correctly.

You can delete the cookies stored on your computer at any time.

The links below provide instructions on how to control cookies in all mainstream browsers:

- Google chrome: <u>https://support.google.com/chrome/answer/95647?hl=en-gb</u>
- Microsoft Internet Explorer: <u>https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/kb/278835</u>
- Microsoft Edge: <u>https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/products/microsoft-edge</u>(There are no specific instructions at this time, but Microsoft support will be able to assist)
- Safari (iOS): <u>https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201265</u>
- Mozilla Firefox: <u>https://support.mozilla.org/en-US/kb/enable-and-disable-Cookies-website-preferences</u>
- Android:<u>https://support.google.com/chrome/answer/95647?co=GENIE.Platform%3DAndroid&hl=en(</u> Please refer to your device's documentation for manufacturers' own browsers)

More Information

For further information about cookies including how to manage your cookie settings, you can visit <u>www.aboutcookies.org</u> or <u>www.allaboutcookies.org</u>.

Review

We keep this policy under regular review. This policy was last updated in June 2021 and will be reviewed at the latest by the end of June 2023.

NB Update this review date