

Programme



Introduction to Using Building Limes

One-day Workshop

Date: **Time:** 9.30 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.

Venue:

Course Trainer: **Course Assistant:**

10:00 Registration, with tea/coffee

10:15 Welcome
Course Assistant

10:20 Introduction to Lime Presentation
Course Trainer

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Health and Safety Briefing
Course Trainer

14:15 Slaking Demonstration
Course Trainer

14.45 Hands-On Session: mixing and applying mortars, renders and plasters

15.30 Tea Break

15.45 Hands-On Session Resumes

16.30 Final Questions

17.00 Close

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Course description

This one-day beginner / intermediate level course is designed to introduce owners of old buildings and professionals working on old buildings to the principles of using lime.

It explains how lime is produced, the different types of lime and their uses, why lime is used in old buildings in place of cement, and gives advice on maintenance and after care.

The course includes a demonstration of slaking lime and a hands-on workshop that gives delegates a chance to try out mixing and applying mortars, renders, and plasters themselves.

The Q&A session at the end will give delegates a chance to discuss issues with the tutor.

About the SPAB

This course is provided by the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB).

Founded in 1877 by the designer, writer and campaigner William Morris and the architect Philip Webb to oppose the needless destruction or damaging alteration of old buildings, the SPAB is the country's longest-established buildings conservation organisation. A registered charity, it has around 6,500 members who enjoy a lively programme of events, access to a network of regional groups, and a full-colour quarterly magazine. The Society has a branch in Scotland and a section devoted to the repair and protection of historic water- and wind-mills.

Education, skills-sharing and enjoyment of historic buildings has always been at the heart of the SPAB and today it continues to offer training and technical expertise to building owners, users and professionals. It offers a varied annual programme of courses, seminars and hands-on masterclasses in traditional building crafts, and its annual working party is an unrivalled opportunity to learn and develop skills on-site under expert guidance. The SPAB's free technical helpline (weekday mornings on 020 7456 0916) answers thousands of queries every year on all aspects of repairing and caring for old buildings.

The SPAB continues to champion old buildings, campaigning on heritage issues and buildings at risk. It also plays a formal role in the planning system and must be notified of all applications to demolish listed buildings in England and Wales.

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