

# **Pre-Weathered Corten Steel**









### DESCRIPTION

Kent's Pre-Weathered Corten is oxidised in a factory controlled environment, blasted after fabrication, then once the correct patina is achieved the surface is rubbed down to give and even appearance.

Corten develops a rusted appearance—but this 'patina' is corrosion resistant and acts as a protective layer to the steel below The big advantage is that Corten should require no maintenance at all so it's ideal for areas that are hard to reach for cleaning and it also is a better blend for old parts of a city where old cast iron structures may be visible nearby and stainless may be too modern to blend in.



The disadvantage is the 'bleeding' where this patina can transfer onto clothing by physical contact, and also where rainwater causes that patina to discolour the rainwater thereby staining new paving directly adjacent to the installation. This can be aided by having a neat channel with a strip of gravel or sand at the base of the product. Corten can also be sealed—but this takes



the appearance very close to 'Kent Imitation Corten.

Corten A is a preferred choice for Architectural applications—and is the default Corten used by Kent

Corten B is the preferred choice for Structural Applications

Specify: "Pre-Weathered Corten Steel".





Connemara Sign— with stainless motif, Corten Planters to the front



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STREET FURNITURE



Cycle Stands—Battersea Power Station







Glue Laminated Timber Seats with Pre Weathered Corten Side Panels—Triton Square, London UK



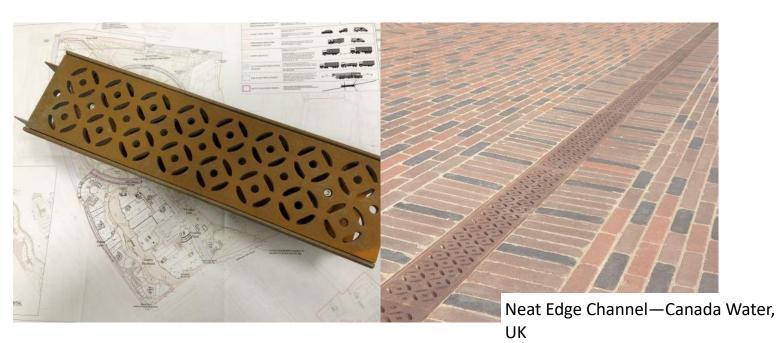
Iroko Timber Seat/Tree Surround Pre Weathered Corten Side Panels—Triton Square



## Waterford Greenway Banner Poles—Waterford (structural steel)—Corten B









Square Tree Grille — Canada Water, London UK

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Lecterns—Doolough Valley Galway Wild Atlantic Way













EPIC museum—Dublin (Pre Weathering)



EPIC museum—Dublin (weathered AND sealed)



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EPIC museum—Dublin (weathered AND sealed)



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Pre Weathered Corten (left) VS Imitation Corten











The Weathering process in our factory







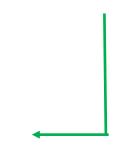






































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# **CorTen Steel Maintenance.**

The orange/brown patina colour acts as a seal to the underlying steel and protects it from oxygen and after about 6 months stops the steel form rusting any further. Because the patina is coarse and the loose ferrous material can rubbed, it resists stickers. Sometimes a greasy handprint or oily fingerprint can prevent the oxidization forming. Rubbing the patina with a dry cloth will move evenly spread the patina—but will change it's appearance so this will need to be don to the entire structure ar at least all parts of it adjacent to the part needing attention.

Similarly with graffiti - rubbing the area first with dry cloth or soft nylon brush. If this is not enough a solvent can be used but this will alter the appearance of the CorTen directly in this are and so the entire adjacent area should then be rubbed and let to re-weather over the following weeks.



Sealed Corten can be supplied - but this is not the intended finish for outdoor use. It is suitable for indoors - but Kent Imitation Corten is the preferred choice



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