

Riverstone[®] First



Riverstone is the diamond of natural roofing slate. SSQ's signature slate is not actually slate, it is phyllite. Harder, denser and stronger than traditional slate, phyllite is the perfect stone for any design challenge or artistic feature.



Product information

Product profile

SSQ Riverstone First is a premium-quality roofing slate produced exclusively by SSQ. Riverstone is a phyllite - a rock similar to slate, sharing its essential characteristics but surpassing its qualities - taken from SSQ's own quarry in the San Luis region of central Argentina.

In addition to passing SSQ's own, rigorous quality control tests, SSQ Riverstone First has been tested in accordance with EN 12326, carries the CE marking and is classified as 'W1-S1-T1'.*

SSQ Riverstone has been accepted in the past by Historic England and Historic Scotland as an alternative to indigenous slates for use on restoration projects or within conservation areas.

* Test results are available on request

Minimum headlap for fixing slates with nails or hooks according to BS 5534: 2014+A2:2018 Code of Practice for Slating and Tiling Moderate exposure (< 56.5 l/m2 per spell)*

Size	Rafter pitch									
(mm)	20°	22.5°	25°	27.5°	30 °	35°	40 °	45°	80°	
600 x 300	130	120	95	85	80	70	60	55	50	
500 x 300	130	120	95	85	80	70	60	66	50	
500 x 250	-	150	120	100	80	70	60	55	50	
400 x 250	-	-	-	-	80	70	60	55	50	
400 x 200	-	-	-	-	80	70	60	55	50	
300 x 200	-	-	-	-	80	70	60	55	50	

Severe exposure (≥ 56.5 l/m2 per spell)*

Size (mm)	Rafter pitch									
	20°	22.5°	25°	27.5°	30 °	35°	40 °	45°	80°	
600 x 300	150	140	130	120	100	90	80	70	65	
500 x 300	150	140	130	110	100	90	80	70	65	
500 x 250	-	-		130	100	90	80	70	65	
400 x 250		-		-	100	90	80	70	65	
400 x 200	-	-	-	-	120	110	105	100	65	
300 x 200	-	-	-	-	100	90	80	70	65	

Size and weight

Size (mm)	Thickness (mm)	Weight per 1000 (kg)
600 x 300	6 - 8	3024
500 x 300	6 - 8	2460
500 x 250	6 - 8	2100
400 x 250	6 - 8	1680
400 x 200	6 - 8	1344
300 x 200	6 - 8	1008



Appearance

Riverstone roofing slate has a medium-grey colour and is similar to indigenous slate found in South-West England and Norway. The colour is totally natural and will not fade, even in the strongest sunlight or harshest environments.

Guarantee

SSQ Riverstone First roofing slate is covered by a 75-year guarantee.**

In addition to the above fitness for purpose guarantee, SSQ now also offers a full Rust Free guarantee for Riverstone First slates to ensure total peace of mind and 100% satisfaction.

SSQ is the only company in the industry that provides this, given the confidence it places in its premium range of slates.

For more information on the terms of this industry leading guarantee, please visit www.ssqgroup.com/rustfree

** Guarantees to be requested within 6 months of the date of completion of the roof.

Coverage Nail fixing method

Size	Lap (mm)									
(mm)	50	65	75	80	90	100	110	115	120	
	Number of slates/m ²									
600 x 300	12.1	12.5	12.7	12.8	13.1	13.3	13.6	13.7	13.9	
500 x 300	14.8	15.3	15.7	15.9	16.3	16.7	17.1	17.3	17.5	
500 x 250	17.8	18.4	18.8	19.0	19.5	20.0	20.5	20.8	21.0	
400 x 250	22.9	23.9	24.6	25.0	25.8	26.7	27.6	28.1	28.6	
400 x 200	28.6	29.9	30.8	31.3	32.3	33.3	34.5	35.1	35.7	
300 x 200	40.0	42.6	44.4	45.5	47.6	50.0	-	-	-	

(NB: No allowance has been made for wastage*)

Hook fixing method

Size	Lap (mm)									
(mm)	50	65	75	80	90	100	110	115	120	
	Number of slates/m ²									
600 x 300	12.1	12.5	12.7	12.8	13.1	13.3	13.6	13.7	13.9	
500 x 300	14.8	15.3	15.7	15.9	16.3	16.7	17.1	17.3	17.5	
500 x 250	17.8	18.4	18.8	19.0	19.5	20.0	20.5	20.8	21.0	
400 x 250	22.9	23.9	24.6	25.0	25.8	26.7	27.6	28.1	28.6	
400 x 200	28.6	29.9	30.8	31.3	32.3	33.3	34.5	35.1	35.7	
300 x 200	40.0	42.6	44.4	45.5	47.6	50.0	-	-	-	

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* Please refer to the SSQ Natural Roofing Slate Design and Fixing Guide for full details (available on www.ssqgroup.com).

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