

## About Us

# What we do

## LEVADE 🌦 SYSTEMS

Based in Ashdown Forest in East Sussex, Levade Systems is a family business that has been manufacturing quality stables and wooden buildings for over 23 years.

Typically these are stables, field shelters, and one-off wooden structures built for a special purpose. The following pages give more detail - but please contact us to discuss your requirements. We can build to meet your dreams! Our small team of loyal and experienced staff are polite and efficient. Please look at the testimonials and review page on our website (www.levadesystems.co.uk) to see for yourself the high level of customer satisfaction that we have achieved over the years. Indeed, over 90% of our business comes from recommendation or repeat business.



We regularly create buildings to match our customers' specification. Whether you need a car port, log store, hobby studio, social house, offices, garden building, pigeon loft or other livestock housing, our proven design and construction methods are easily applied.



Our popular Levade traditional stables have stood the test of time and offer

a stable to meet most budgets. We can help you individually enhance your traditional stables with extras, if required. Our stables are usually supplied and erected by our staff on your prepared base.



### PAGES 6-7 BESPOKE STABLES

Let us help you create your own truly bespoke stable complex. A change of roofing materials, large roof canopies and feature posts, or even insulating walls and metalwork protection can all add character to your stables. See the inside back cover for examples of accessories.



### PAGES 8-9 MOBILE UNITS

Levade mobile units are very often the answer for those needing to overcome planning challenges. Stables, tack room, stores, implement shed, combination units, the options are endless. The units can be moved on either metal or wooden skids.

# Levade Purpose Built

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Whatever use you have in mind for your timber building, we would like to help. The illustrations below are just some examples of purpose built buildings we have designed with our customers. A phone call or a sketch may be all that is required to let loose our imagination. We always prefer to liaise closely with clients to ensure your building is as you would expect – or better.



Felt tiles and rustic looking weatherboard cladding offering animal housing or storage and an adjoining office in the Ashdown Forest.



Attractive, multi-purpose building incorporating our cottage windows that look nice in any garden. Walls were insulated as our customer runs a small business from home.



## Levade Traditional Stables

Levade traditional wooden stables are built to our proven specification to withstand the rigours of everyday use. However, the layout options are endless. You tell us what you need, and we can find a design to match your requirements. Levade traditional stable complexes can incorporate corner stables, tack rooms, feed rooms and haybarns. The stables are usually erected on a

A traditional style complex which was comfortably constructed to meet our customer's requirements. Extra deep chewstrips and door frame protection were also added to increase durability.

concrete base with a single brick course. Wall panels are then bolted into the concrete. We can recommend base contractors or discuss base construction. We always provide you with a brick base plan prior to work commencing. Typically, our team can complete the installation of four stables in one day.



'U' shape stable complex featuring a games room 7.2m x 3.6m (24' x 12'). Note how the cottage windows add character to the appearance. Walls and floors insulated to enable all year round use. The other corner unit is used as a haybarn and has double doors to provide good access.

" I was delighted with the shelter and tack room that you delivered and erected, everything was as described and delivered on time and erected with no fuss. Thank you very much."









A private 'L' shape stable complex featuring a corner stable 4.9m x 3.6m (16' x 12') used as a foaling box, large horse stable or hay store. Larger corner units are available. Note the extra deep chew strip on one door to deter the horse from chewing the front of the door.



All Levade stables when mounted on a concrete base should have a single course of brickwork. Both Traditional and Bespoke Stables benefit from substantial plank kickboards up to 1.2m (4') high. Planks are safer, stronger, more practical and far better looking than sheet materials.



# Levade Bespoke Stables

Where performance, character, aesthetics and value for money are all of equal importance, Levade bespoke stables will provide the answer. Choosing our bespoke service allows you to add features that will make your stables stand out and be as individual as you are. Do you have a building that you would like to convert? Perhaps you need to accommodate small ponies or heavy horses? Or maybe your horses deserve the little extras that will turn their home into 5\* luxury? Whatever your requirements, together we can create something special.



If you have room to site your stable yard near to your house, or you are looking for enhanced appearances, let us work together to provide that special complex. A grey felt tile roof with a 1.5m (5') canopy supported by gallows brackets and posts, adds character and offers additional protection. Special requirements can nearly always be achieved. Note the 3-piece Shetland door and louvred windows.

"Just a short note to thank you and your crew for the excellent job you made of erecting our stable block. The quality of the building and the efficient way in which your team worked was first class. I will not hesitate to recommend your company in the future."



A slightly unique yet very sensible design affording maximum fresh air, and natural light for the well being of your horses. Exactly as our customer required, yet easily achieved.







Shown here is a wonderful stable complex featuring a 1.8m (6') canopy with our posts and brackets. It incorporates a store and tack room with special opening windows, extra wide double doors and full height galvanised door frame protection, amongst a host of other requirements we were able to satisfy. Your exclusive requirements may well be possible.



Optional protection against horses chewing at doorways can vary to suit your individual horses.









# Levade Mobile Units

We offer a range of mobile buildings fixed on to a timber or metal towable framework. These provide an immediate answer for animal shelter or storage requirements and come into their own during hot weather when horses and other livestock need respite from flies, and again during winter when they need shelter from wind, rain, snow and hail stones. Mobile units are fitted

with skids that enable them to be towed into a new position. Consider metal skids for regular movement over distances of ground and timber skids for economy and/or more permanent siting, whilst still meeting planning requirements. Both versions - metal or timber skids - are extremely versatile and can be adapted to fulfil your exact requirement.



Standard field shelter on wooden skids  $7.2m \times 3.6m (24' \times 12')$ . Size and position of opening can easily be adjusted to your requirements. Kickboards are 13mm thick hardwood ply up to 1.3m (4') on all walls.



Mobile unit on metal skids manufactured on this occasion for alpacas. Two stable units  $2.7m \times 3.6m (12' \times 9')$  and a useful store for feed and equipment  $1.8m \times 3.6m (6' \times 12')$ .



# Levade Mobile Units

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### Standard:

**All mobile stables** - roof overhang fully lined and front gutter included. All mobile buildings have kickboards up to 1.3m high in 13mm ply. \* It is advisable to stake all mobile units down at the front



This mobile unit on wooden skids is our versatile combination unit. Stable 3.6m x 3.6m (12' x 12') and an open shelter of similar size. A gate or double doors can be added to the shelter. Shown with extra deep chewstrip to prevent damage to the door from horses.

## Some of the benefits of a mobile stable are:

- Avoiding lengthy planning permission delays.
- Requiring little or no ground/base preparation.
- Towable into a new position or different paddock as and when required.
- Easily adapted into permanent/traditional stable complex at later date.

### Standard:

**All mobile field shelters** - no front roof overhang or gutter. Includes kickboards up to 1.3m high in 13mm thick hardwood ply. \* It is advisable to stake all mobile units down at the front



Twin mobile stable block on metal skids. Slightly enhanced by adding roof finishing timber at each gable end. Can be towed on a regular basis as the skid system adds considerable strength.

- Good range of sizes available that are easily moved by 4 x 4.
- Instantly increase the size of your yard.
- Contact us to discuss mobile units and see how quickly we can solve your problem.
- Most mobile units do not need planning permission, however if in a sensitive area further advice may be prudent.

# General specifications of units

### Wall Panels

Height to eaves 2.3m (7'6") when on brick course. External cladding ex 125 x 16mm (5" x  $\frac{5}{8}$ ") shiplap boarding Sawn weatherboarding also available. Framework 75 x 50mm (3" x 2") or 100 x 50mm (4" x 2") softwood. Kickboards 225 x 21mm (9" x  $\frac{7}{8}$ ") softwood boards or similar. All stables and field shelters half lined with kickboards to approx. 4"0" high. Wall panels are bolted down into concrete base (not through bricks).

#### Stable Doors

Size 2.1 x 1.1m (7'0" x 3'8") wide, from well seasoned tongue and groove boards 125 x 19mm (5" x  $\frac{3}{4}$ ") thick, framed ledged and braced and lined on the inside with ply. Overall thickness nominal 50mm (2").

With galvanised chewstrip, kickover bolt, Brenton bolt and cabin hook and heavy duty Tee hinges.

Bottom door 1260mm (49<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>") high. Top door 857mm (34<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>")

### Windows

Size 600mm (2' x 2') nominal clear perspex for safety with protection bars to stables. Galvanised steel grills available at extra cost.

### Roof

Prefabricated trusses gussetted and strapped to walls, purlins are 100 x 50mm (4" x 2") timbers, black onduline corrugated roof sheeting and galvanised ridge cappings ensuring adequate ventilation. (Coloured onduline - brick red, green or brown at extra cost). Decking optional - see opposite.

### Rainwater Goods

Continuous attractive brown plastic gutter and downpipe to all stable blocks and haybarns. To front only. Rear guttering optional. Black optional.

### Treatment

To ensure good weather protection all buildings are treated with chestnut brown preservative inside and out.

### Erection

Erection is free of charge on your properly prepared base. A base plan for brick course will be sent upon receipt of deposit as required.

### **Planning Permission**

Planning drawings can be provided for a nominal fee which is refundable. Ask for details.

*All sizes may vary slightly according to availability of materials. We reserve the right to alter specifications without notice.* 

## Accessories

Most can be added to any building. Design your stables and buildings to look and perform how you would like. We are here to help and will only ever offer honest advice.



Feature posts and gallows brackets, roof overhang lining



Onduline - standard black, red, green and brown



Roof decking and louvre vent



Felt tiles - red, grey or green



Roof decking supporting onduline to give a far superior, trouble free life - recommended



Rear gutter and rooflight (translucent roof sheet)

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Rear (or front) sliding window with grill



Louvre window Hinged window Both with perspex infill



Roof overhang lining - 4ft, 5ft, 6ft or wider available



Cottage window with perspex infill



Door frame protection, Joinery class door with hook and band hinge keyed lock



Grills in various sizes from 550 x 550mm. 1174 x 750mm shown



Standard Clock Tower. Louvred and painted styles also available



Grills and no top doors. Posts with gallows brackets and roof overhang lining



Rubber stable mats, heavy duty, 17mm thick. Fitting service available



Joinery double doors and heavy duty keyed lock on hook and band hinges



Red onduline roof, translucent sheets, rear top doors and windows with full metal protection



Rear top doors on hook and band hinges with door frame protection

