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**Charles Campbell Bespoke Tailoring was born from
a desire to provide the unsurpassed fit, style and
experience that only bespoke tailoring can bring.**

Contemporary style meets the very best of tradition at Charles Campbell. Our tailoring respects the age-old values of gentlemen's dressing while adding a gently subversive new detail. The Charles Campbell style has been carefully developed to produce polished yet comfortable suits every single time. We bring together the very best of both English and Italian tailoring.

The customer is at the heart of everything we do. A Charles Campbell bespoke suit can change the way you feel about yourself, because it is designed to flatter your unique shape and figure.

We harness our expert knowledge and tailoring to subtly accentuate your best features. The possibilities in designing your perfect suit are both endless and exciting.

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Your bespoke suit is uniquely yours, and we guide you through the process so that the finished result is pleasing in every aspect of comfort and style, from the cloth and lining to the pockets and buttonholes.

Located in the heart of Lancashire's stunning Ribble Valley, a visit to our premises finds you in a beautifully converted barn surrounded by views of the idyllic countryside. This is a great, relaxed environment to get inspiration from the cloths available and work we have done, with comfortable fitting rooms, ample parking and one-to-one consultations.

We are here to make your life easier so we are also happy to hold consultations and fittings at your home if you prefer, and we regularly travel to our clients in London and across the country.





"Dressing well is a form of good manners."

TOM FORD

The process begins with a first consultation where in the comfortable surroundings of our Ribble Valley premises, or in your own home if you prefer, we discuss all the details of what you want from your suit.

Over a coffee we can discuss your personal style preferences and tastes and get inspiration from cloth books and examples of our previous tailoring work.

The level of care and incredible quality of the craftsmanship of our bespoke suits is what sets us apart.

You can tell from a distance that our suits are bespoke by the way they fit so naturally and comfortably to the wearer.

Bespoke craftsmanship means we can create a suit for you that is close fitting and yet comfortable. Your look is polished at all times but you enjoy a freedom of movement only bespoke can provide.

Your suit will be made with the traditional layer of horsehair, which is very flexible and moulds easily to the contours of your chest. The floating canvas has many benefits, including greater softness and comfort, a more organic fit, better breathability and increased longevity of the suit.

After a few wears your suit will take on a three-dimensional shaping to your exact figuration, which is one of the reasons it is important to hang your jacket carefully between use on a supportive wooden hanger.

Our bespoke process means greater flexibility and attention to detail in key areas of the suit. It means, for example, that we achieve greater stretch on the shoulder for easier movement and reach, and the lining is attached in a way that means you move without disturbing the sharp silhouette of your suit.

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Our style at Charles Campbell combines the very best aspects of English and Italian tailoring.

We know what works, bringing you the perfect blend of traditional and contemporary for a look that is polished yet comfortable.

The beauty of bespoke is that we can create exactly the look and style you want in the most flattering shape for you. We are creating suits to stand the test of time, to be enjoyed for years not seasons.

We take you through every aspect and option to ensure that the result is your perfect suit.



For the jacket, from deciding on single or double-breasted, we ascertain all your preferences and what will work best, from the number of buttons and vents, to whether the pockets will be straight, slanted, flap, patch or jetted, and if you would like a ticket pocket.

For the lapel shape, you might opt for the most popular notch lapel or something different like a peak lapel or shawl collar.



"People always ask me what the trends are, but I'm not a believer in trends. Individuality is more important to me, to stand out and have the confidence to wear something you're comfortable in – I'm comfortable wearing a suit."

DAVID GANDY



Inside the jacket you have options such as inside breast pockets, an inside ticket pocket that might hold a mobile phone or business cards, and an inside pen pocket.

For the trousers, you might want two back pockets, none or one on the right or left, slant side pockets or jetted ones for a dinner suit.

You choose whether you want belt loops, side adjusters or brace buttons, flat-fronted or with one or two pleats, and whether you like turn-ups.



Gentleman's style guide to suits.

The thing about being well dressed is that it should look effortless, and that is what we are here for. Here are some of our favourite suit details that win every time.

A slightly softer padding to the shoulder - a nod to the sophistication and style of Italian tailoring that brings a contemporary and slightly less military look to the English style we love.



Vents in the jacket allow for both a tailored fit and freedom of movement - we like one vent for a jacket and two side vents for a suit. The choice is yours.

"A man should look as if he has bought his clothes with intelligence, put them on with care and then forgotten all about them."

HARDY AMIES

A slightly slimmer sleeve brings a contemporary edge, tapering to your exact build on both the jacket and the trousers is a modern signature of bespoke tailoring.

Unless you are selecting a dinner suit, a notch lapel and slant flap pockets are our favourites - you can always tuck the flaps in and switch to jetted pockets for a change.

A 3-piece suit looks great and is more versatile as it can be worn with or without the waistcoat.

Details like a hand-finished buttonhole give a raised, luxury finish to your bespoke suit.



Don't carry too much in your pockets so your suit can retain its shape, but we like an inside ticket pocket for keeping your phone or business cards handy.



Let's get designing your perfect bespoke suit.



We work with you to select the perfect cloths for your suit, from worsted wools and tweeds to cottons and cashmeres from the finest textile mills in Yorkshire, Scotland and Italy.

We can advise on the cloths that will tailor and perform best for the type of suit you require, as well as which will be most comfortable in the situations you will wear it.

With endless beautiful cloths to choose from, we will find the exact weight, shade and finish you are looking for in your ideal suit.



SELECTING YOUR CLOTH

We only work with the finest cloths and we ascertain what cloth will be right for your suit by asking the right questions, such as where and when you will wear it, how formal it needs to be, the warmth you want, what else you will wear it with, and so on.

You can leave it all to us, but if you want to know more about selecting from the 1000s of cloths available, here are some things to consider.



WEIGHT

One of the most important factors in comfort is the weight of the cloth:

7 - 9 oz (210 - 270 grams) - very light weight, ideal for warmer temperatures and giving greatest breathability.

9.5 - 12 oz (285 - 360 grams) - midweight, the best option for year-round suits. Comfortable for more than six months of the year so the most popular choice, especially for your first bespoke suit.

12 - 13 oz (360 - 390 grams) - heavier mid weight, still wearable for a good portion of the year and provides more comfort for Autumn and Winter.

14 - 16 oz (420 - 480 grams) - typically used for winter suits including heavier flannels and some tweeds.

16 - 22 oz (480 - 660 grams) - tweeds, typically used for country sports, whether standing on a peg or estate tweeds if you need something extra hard-wearing.

SUPER NUMBERS

The higher the number, the finer the cloth, but we also take into account how often you will be wearing your suit. Super 100s to 130s are a good choice.

**TEXTURES, PATTERNS & DETAIL**

For a first bespoke suit for your wardrobe, plain cloths will be most versatile, but there are still plenty of cloths in the 'plain' spectrum with texture or subtle pattern to make your new suit satisfyingly different.

COLOUR

For formal business suits, navy, charcoal or mid-grey are great options, being flattering for most skin tones and suited to a good range of colours of shirts, ties, pocket squares and shoes. Subtle colour can also be achieved in flecks or faint checks, or if you want to be more adventurous there are an array of bright windowpane checks.

FAVOURITE CLOTHS

When it comes to the type of suit you are looking for, we will help you find the perfect look and the cloth you select immediately sets the tone of the suit.

WOOL

Wool is a good all-year option for suits. It is the most popular cloth choice due to its versatility and refined aesthetic, offering a more luxurious look, especially with a cashmere blend, for work wear, as well as formal occasions. As a natural material, wool is breathable so works well both in the heat of the day or the cool of the night. It is soft and recovers well from a day's wear.

**WORSTED**

Worsted Wool is a smooth cloth that boasts a high durability. Hopsack is a loose weave worsted wool that is more textured, breathable and particularly good for blazers. Nailhead, pick and pick, or a subtle herringbone add textured interest.

TWEED

If you are looking for a slightly less formal suit for every day, tweed is a fantastic option. Quintessentially British and hard-wearing, it is wearable, durable and comes in beautiful natural shades. Opting for a three-piece tweed suit is a great option as any perceived informality of the cloth is lifted by the waistcoat, and of course the exceptional cut. Harris tweeds generally have one overall colour with many variegated yarns so a subtle shade can work for business wear, as can a Donegal tweed with flecks of a secondary colour.



Nothing feels better next to your skin than a shirt made precisely for you.



CLOTHS

A Charles Campbell bespoke shirt is cut, sewn and finished by hand, beautifully crafted from a extensive choice of the highest quality British, Irish, Italian and Swiss cloths, including cottons, linens and wools.



INDIVIDUALITY

A shirt is the piece that ties a whole suit together, offering a blank canvas to showcase your personal style. Every aspect is made perfectly as you like it, from collar lining and style to cuffs and monograms.

Each individual stitch is executed to provide comfort and elegance. This is a luxurious layer of cloth that is as individual as you are.

PATTERN SERVICE

With your measurements and design preferences kept on file, you can take advantage of our exclusive pattern service, allowing you to order additional shirts, for that important meeting, or a special occasion, completely at your leisure. Trust that Charles Campbell Bespoke Tailoring will provide the quality and finish you have come to expect.



Modern weddings are no longer about the bride's dress alone. Make the most of this opportunity to look your very best and invest in something special for yourself.

A bespoke suit tailored perfectly to you gives you an unparalleled confidence and is something you will get the pleasure of wearing again and again after the wedding for those other special events in life such as christenings, friends' weddings or a day out at the races.

A bespoke suit is the ultimate indulgence for men and your wedding is the perfect time for this. From initial discussions over a drink to the finished result of the most flattering and comfortable suit you have ever owned, this is the part of the wedding journey that is all about you.

We guide you through the process of designing your perfect wedding suit, so that it matches your personal style and the theme of your day. We take into account all the factors of your wedding; whether it is formal or informal, indoors or out, contemporary or vintage, and the climate of the destination, as well as ensuring it will complement your bride's outfit.

If the style of your wedding calls for a morning suit, investing in bespoke will provide you with unparalleled comfort on the day. Should the Royal Enclosure at Ascot beckon, you will also be ready in style with a suit unique to you in even this most formal of settings.



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From the cuts that will most flatter your physique and the colours that complement your skin tone, to the cloths that will keep you cool and comfortable, we have the answers.

Our measuring process takes into account every aspect of your figuration to achieve the perfect fit. In our design and cutting process we select every aspect of the suit to complement your physique, accentuate your best features and conceal any flaws.

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From linings and colours of buttonholes to monograms, pockets and lapels exactly as you like them, the result is a suit that is uniquely yours and completely satisfying.

At your first consultation, take the time to choose exactly what you want. Perhaps make an event of it by bringing along key members of the wedding party such as your best man to help advise. A complementing suit might be in order for the Best Man, perhaps a two piece to match your three piece.

We can even be on hand on your wedding day to ensure every styling detail is perfect.



Celebrate your wedding day in style.

We've made you the perfect suit for your wedding so here's a checklist of what else you need to remember on the big day.

Planning ahead...

Keep your accessories simple. You might want to take some colour inspiration from the day, though not too much. For a considered and co-ordinated look, you could use a complementing hue in either your tie, socks or pocket square and stop there.

If you are having a buttonhole, keep it small & simple and take inspiration from the bride's bouquet. If not, then add a pocket square.



Choose some cufflinks if you are wearing a french cuff or double cuff. A tie bar or pin is a nice touch too.

Get the right shoes for your suit.

Wear your new shoes at least a week before the big day, to break them in and ensure they are comfortable. Make sure they are well polished.



Make sure your shirt is laundered and perfectly pressed, and consider collar stiffeners.

Get a haircut a week before.

Purchase gifts to thank your best man and other key members of your party. Cufflinks or a tie bar go down well.



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Remember to eat a good breakfast and keep hydrated. Keep alcohol to a minimum until after the ceremony.

Arrange to have a wedding gift or love token delivered to your bride before the ceremony to show how much you care and help them shake off any pre-wedding jitters.

Remember the rings. Place them in your pocket to entrust to your best man some time before the ceremony.

On the day...

Be mindful of the time and have an itinerary handy so you know exactly where you need to be and when.

Allow plenty of time for a shower, a close shave or beard trim and grooming to look your best.



Avoid loading your pockets with your phone, keys or mints to keep your suit looking its best. Get someone else to keep them for you, especially for the photos.

One of your final responsibilities of the day will be to give a thank you toast, to simply thank and express your love to everyone who came. Be sure to thank parents, the wedding party, guests who travelled long distances to be there, and anyone key to making the day happen.

With a passion for the sport, Charles Campbell Bespoke Tailoring are committed to making unique, hard-wearing and functional attire for the field that moves perfectly with your shot.

The British shooting season is a huge part of the country sporting and social life and we want to help you make the most of it. Relax and enjoy your sport in unsurpassed comfort and style in bespoke field wear of the best designs and cloths fitted perfectly to you.

Every element of each outfit is entirely bespoke, from shooting vests, waistcoats and jackets to caps and breeks, plus twos or plus fours.



We can create a contemporary look but with a traditional British tweed and fit that stands the test of time. Again the advantage of bespoke means subtle details in shape and design to make a suit your own.

Each item can include a huge variety of details, from large bellow pockets for cartridges to storm collars and gun pleats. The options are endless.

Bespoke tailoring is about the perfect fit and the right material, and the combination of both is put to the ultimate test when it comes to field wear. The cloth must match the occasion so it needs to look great but also be hard-wearing and stand up to any weather. Tweed is therefore the material of choice when it comes to outdoor pursuits.

We have over 500 tweeds to choose from in various weights, all of which are traditionally made in Scotland by iconic cloth makers including Lovat Mill, Porter & Harding, Johnstons of Elgin and Islay Woollen Mill.







Gentleman's guide to shooting style

Why a set of bespoke tweeds is on every Gun's wishlist.

Steeped in tradition and eagerly anticipated, the 'Glorious Twelfth' traditionally marks the first day of the shooting season, when keen shots head to the heathery moorlands of Northern England and the Scottish Highlands in pursuit of the red grouse.

The grouse is a notoriously tricky target, flying low at around 60 miles an hour, so you will need the ultimate skill and concentration. We take the sport very seriously at Charles Campbell and know that the right clothing is important for more reasons than you might think.

With a set of bespoke shooting tweeds made for you - comprised traditionally of shooting vest, waistcoat, jacket and your choice of breeks, plus twos or plus fours - you're getting the ultimate precision in luxury, style and comfort.

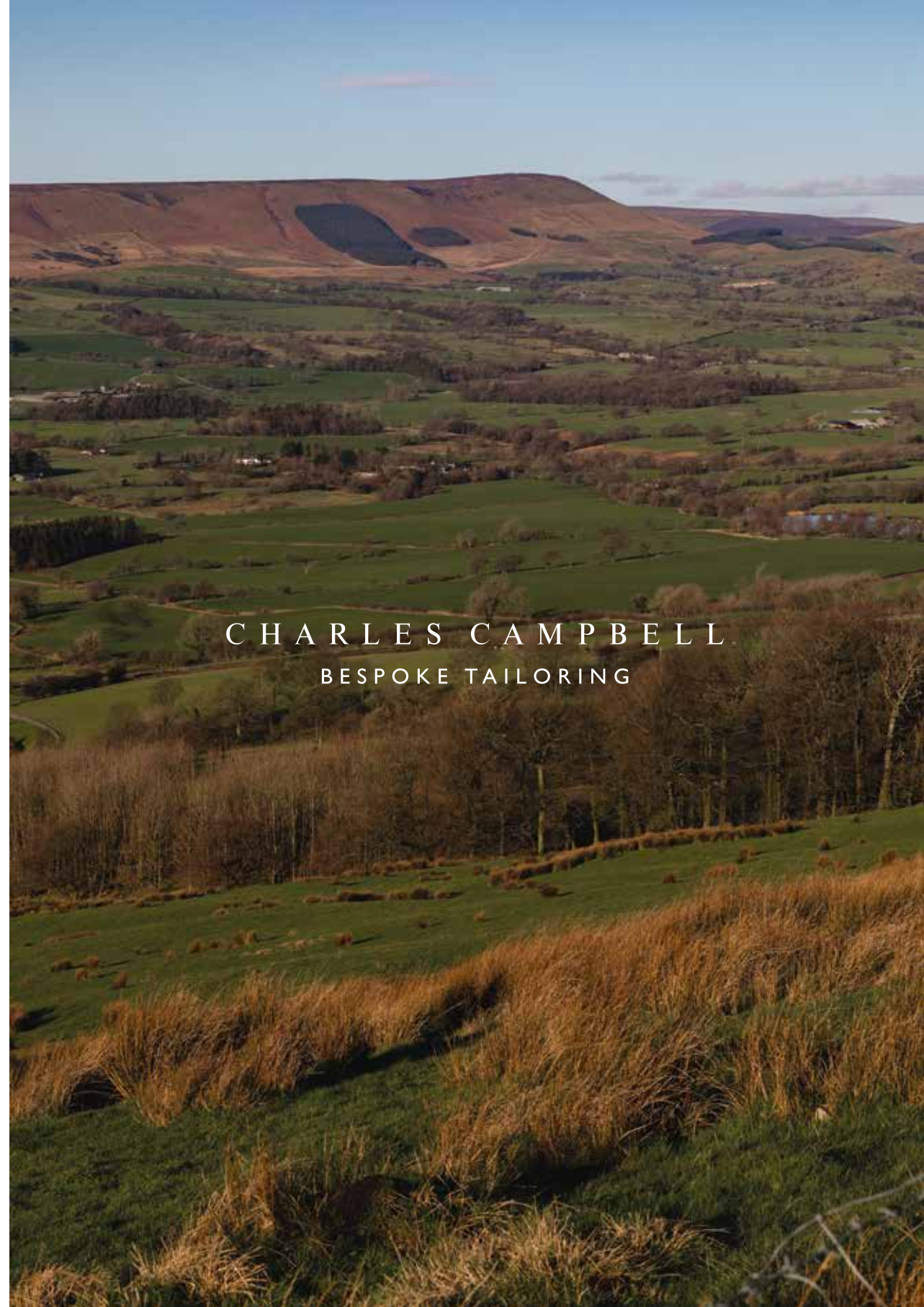
Your suit needs to keep you comfortable whatever the British weather throws at you, and for this reason the hard-wearing warmth of tweed is the traditional choice. You also need to keep to muted tones to avoid the disappointment of a startled grouse by an ill-timed flash of a bright lining or a white shirt. Tweeds take their inspiration from the greens, browns and heathers of the British countryside and these colours are perfect for shooting attire.

In a Charles Campbell bespoke shooting suit you'll look the part and also feel the difference in every movement. Because every aspect of each garment is made for you, we make sure your clothing will never hamper your shot. We bring together the perfect fit, the right cloth choices and subtle technical details allowing greater movement in the shoulders and the back so you are ready for a fantastic shooting season.





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