

PRESS RELEASE

THE ULTIMATE LUXURY - HAND WOVEN BED COVERS BY DOREEN GITTENS

The bedroom is often considered a sanctuary. A space that exudes calm, is peaceful, relaxing and sensual. To help create the perfect sanctuary, textile designer Doreen Gittens has developed a collection of bespoke bedcovers. Her new designs are seductive, luxurious and stylish. Handwoven using pure cotton and pure silk yarns and hand finished using special trimmings and linings, the bedcovers are the ultimate luxury.

The covers are designed and woven by Doreen from her studio overlooking the Thames at London's Oxo Tower Wharf. Working principally in soft, calm ecrus and whites, a delicate and clever traditional method is used to create the bedcovers. The subtle patterns in the weave create delicate surface textures making the covers impossibly tactile.

Each bedcover is woven and constructed by hand making each one unique. Although Doreen specialises in using natural yarns, the covers can be made in any number of colours. Pillows, throws and wall hangings can also be woven to match or complement the bedcover.

"The commissioning process is most enjoyable for both the customer and I. There are no restrictions – unlike something off the peg. I am creating exactly what the customer wants with the care and attention hand weaving offers. There are no compromises on either side. I am not interested in creating the mediocre," explains Doreen.

Doreen Gittens established her label Archipelago Textiles in 1996. During the past 7 years she has been creating wearable textiles and undertaking commissions for hand woven textiles for fashion and interiors including Chanel and prominent architects in USA. Doreen graduated with a BA Hons in Woven Textiles from Farnham University College and achieved a Masters in Textile Design from Glasgow School of Arts.

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High resolution images are available on request.

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