

Hats and Cape



Tricorn Eco
(size 58cm)



Tricorn Passamanerie
(size 58cm)



satin lined

Hooded Cape

This authentic hooded cape with a satin lining is made specially for Masks of Venice. The cape is made from flaxen cloth having shoulder mantle and arm slits, it may be worn by male or female.

Length: 55" (140cm)



arm slits

New for 2009!
Discounted Mens Formal Dress (Ex Hire)



shoulder mantle



Masks of Venice [UK]

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Masks of Venice

original handmade masks of distinction made in venice



Masks of Venice aim to provide the very best selection of quality handmade Venetian masks and Carnival Masks for 'masquerade' directly from Venice. We keep most of our Venetian masks in stock and can deliver nextday to mainland UK. Our online shopping cart allows you to purchase on-line easily and safely from the comfort of your home.

A Revived Tradition

Mask-making is a newly revived tradition, up until the early 1980's Venetian mask-making had completely died-out. Venetian Architecture Students in the early 1980's led by Mario Belloni decided to revive the tradition, this was also



"Colloquio tra bautte"
Pietro Longhi - 1757

catalytic in reiving the Venice Carnival. At the time the students, partly out of necessity and partly for fun, tried creating the first models and selling them in the squares and along the alleys.

These were only

attempts at mask making, since nobody really knew what materials to use or what techniques to adopt.

A Brief History.

Masks in Venice once had enormous significance in social relations, to such an extent that in some cases they were made compulsory by law, and over the centuries masks makers had considerably refined their art. But, with the fall of the Venetian Republic at the end of the 18th century, the use and tradition of Venetian masks gradually began to decline, until they disappeared altogether. At that time, hardly anything of this tradition remained in the culture and collective conscience of the Venetian people, and only slight traces could be found in obscure volumes buried in the libraries.

Eyes Wide Shut - the movie

More recently, the Venetian mask was brought to mainstream attention in a 1999 Warner Bros movie by Stanley Kubrick, 'Eyes Wide Shut' starring Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman. The director Stanley Kubrick visited a number of mask-makers during his research for the film. It is likely he used masks from many of the shops, but we know that one of our suppliers had some of his masks used for the film. You can buy our masks in our 'secure' online Shop at the following address:

www.MasksofVenice.co.uk



Luxury Masks



Colombina
Luxury (filigree) ☐☐



Colombina
Baroque



Colombina
Macrame



Colombina
Jolly Musica



Colombina
Jolly

Traditional Masks



Naso
Doctore



Naso
Turco



Naso
Turco



Bauta
Traditional



Fantasma



Nasone



Scaramouche



Casanova
Baroque

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All masks come fitted with ribbons which tie around the back of the head with a bow ☐☐
Most masks may be fitted with a stick, this option is available on the website shopping cart ☐☐

Carnival Masks



Black



Blue



Red



Red



Black

Civetta Mizza ☐☐

Art Deco



white/silver



pink/silver



white/gold

Colombina Decor Aria



Colombina
Arco Strass

Colombina
Decor Rococo



pink/silver



black/gold

Colombina Cigno



Colombina
Musica



Gatb ☐
Rombe



pink/gold



blue/gold

Colombina Cigno



Gatb ☐
Decor
Aria

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Casanova

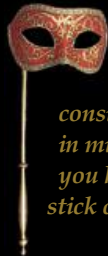


Luxury Silver



If you wish to order our masks it you can visit our website, or visit our shop in Chester. We accept all the major credit cards and also Paypal payments.

Mask Sizing and Selection All the masks are approximately the same size and will fit either male or female faces. They may feel tight or loose but there is a little 'give' in the masks allowing them to be expanded with gentle flexing or contracted when attached with the ribbons. Generally the Carnival section is for male and female, the Traditional Masks are for men and the Feather masks are for women.



Sticks and Accessories When considering having a stick with your mask, bear in mind that this can make it difficult to greet people if you have a drink and a mask in each hand, however a stick can work well for a photo opportunity.

Hosting An Event? If you are hosting a Masked-Ball event we can offer a discount for your guests to purchase their masks through us. Just email us with some details and we will setup a special discount code for use in our Shopping Cart. If the event is public we can also promote the event on our events page.

Spectacle Wearers (icon) We have provided an indication of suitable masks for spectacle wearers. Though not specifically designed as such, these masks marked with the icon above are more suitable than other masks.

Leather Masks



Colombina Drago



Colombina Novella



Moretta (m t e)



Colombina Arlecchino



Colombina Liscia

Ornamental Masks



Liberty Musica



Liberty Art Deco



Volto Jolly Music Reale



Liberty MOV



Liberty



Liberty Pittira Piccola



Davide Proflio

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Feather Masks

Eyes Wide Shut



Can Can



Festa Strass Fantasia



Colombina Cigno (The Swan)



Colombina Piume Feste Brilliante



Volto Macrame 'Cruise'



Volto Piume (large)



Colombina Reale



Volto Piume Sera



Grand Moulin



Sisi



Sisi



*Available in:
White, Black,
Fuschia, Pink,
Blue & Purple*

Colombina Cigno (The Swan)

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