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ABOUT US

Our Heritage

- Pines and Needles is a family-run business with a Scottish heritage that was founded in 1995.
- Our Civics Department has been operating for over 20 years and manages all 13ft+ indoor and all outdoor Christmas trees.
- We adhere to the highest industry standards and ensure that health and safety is our highest priority.

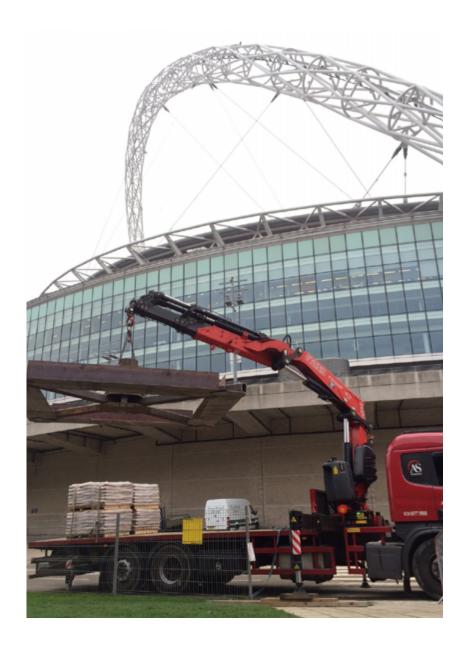
Our Services

- Every year, we supply and install hundreds of large display trees for councils, special events, shopping centres, football clubs, churches, hospitals, hotels, embassies, other prominent locations as well as people's homes.
- We've been installing, lighting and decorating trees for over twenty years and have perfected our craft, techniques and equipment to safely and securely install, decorate, and remove large trees and festive displays.

Trusted Supplier

 Pines and Needles Civics Department has become one of the leading installers of large Christmas trees in the UK and is trusted by many of the most recognised brands in the country.





OUR SERVICES

What We Offer

We offer a full range of services and our Civics Team can meet your bespoke requirements:

- real Christmas tree installations up to 60ft
- artificial Christmas tree installations up to 40ft
- Christmas tree lighting and decorating
- lighting of existing evergreen trees
- shop front lighting and decorating



All of our trees are guaranteed premium quality, and every effort is made to select only the finest examples of each species.

Our robust stands are built and weighted down with numerous sandbags to give our large Christmas trees great stability to withstand large wind forces.

We are able to carry out site visits to take measurements and photos of the installation site. Checks are done to risk assess and manage expectations for our jobs.

Tree Installation

We will make sure that your installation is done with the right equipment and personnel to get the job done safely and quickly at a time that is right for you.

Our trees are carefully lifted into their stands using either Hiab or Spider cranes, or by using manual handling, depending on their size and location.

Once the trees are dressed in lights and decorations, we can apply the finishing touch by building our painted wooden boxes around the base of the trees to give them an aesthetically pleasing look.

Undressing and Take-Down

Our trees, lights and decorations are carefully removed and the tree is cut into small pieces to be extracted and put into a wood chipper for reuse and recycling.

Chippings are donated to local Councils for green spaces and also to London Zoos for their animal enclosures. The remainder is used for biomass fuel.

Lights and decorations are stored and maintained, so they can be re-used year on year.



Artificial Trees

We offer a wide range of artifical trees up to 40ft.

- The trees include a mix of PE & PVC branch tips to give them the look of real bushy Christmas trees.
- Outdoor trees (or 16ft+) require section frames in their construction.
- The inner frame for indoor trees have a base and a pole.

Real Trees

Our specialist team will advise you so that you receive the most appropriate tree for your environment.

- We offer a wide range of indoor and outdoor trees up to a size of 40ft.
- Tree requests of up to 60ft can be accommodated (if booked early).
- Requests for extra thick or narrow tree stumps can be accompdated.
- If you have a suitable tree pit, or your own stand in place, this can be used to install the tree.
 - If you do not have a stand one can be provided.

CASE STUDIES



Middle Temple

This historic site is situated on the north bank of the river Thames. Located near a popular tube station and a busy high street



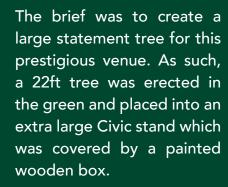
The brief was to create a Christmas ambiance in the courtyard. To achieve this we erected a 15ft statement tree set in a medium Civic stand boarded by a 2m x2m painted wooden box, along with two 7ft trees that were set in barrel stands.



The courtyard decorations included string lights along the perimeter railings and arch. In addition, the gate and lamps were decorated with 20 inch wreaths and 2m Noble Fir garlands.

Tower of London

This popular historic tourist attraction is located on the north bank of the river Thame adjacent to Tower Bridge.



The trees were lit with 25 of our 100 LED connector lights. A 40cm lit star was also attached to the top of the 22ft tree. The tree was decorated with a range of both large and small red, blue and golden baubles.







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Brixton

The location for this tree was near the busy Brixton Station where extra H&S precautions were taken to keep both our team and the public safe.



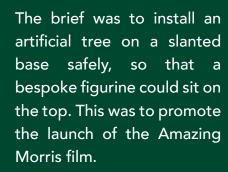
Our brief was to install a large statement tree on the high street. To achieve this we erected a 40ft tree, which was delivered on a flatbed lorry and put in place using the hiab crane. To secure the tree we used a bepoke large Civic stand.



The 40ft tree was decorated with 73 of our 100 LED Ice White Connector Lights. A painted wooden box was placed around it and a 40cm lit star was attached to the topof the tree.

Westfield

Westfield London is a large shopping centre in White City, in west London. Working in partnership with FireCracker Works Ltd., we installed a 16th artificial tree in the shopping centre.



The 16ft artificial tree had embedded LED lights on every branch to ensure that the lighting would be prominent and visible from all directions.







LIGHTS, DECORATIONS & GREENERY

We can install trees with lights, and complement them with garlands, wreaths, and swags. Mantelpieces, banisters and door frames become warm and inviting when adorned with stunning fresh greenery and high quality lighting. Our lights (or your own) can be attached in a spiral pattern around the tree for the most aesthetically pleasing result.

Greenery

We specialise in real wreaths and garland displays for home and store fronts.

These are made from Noble Fir branches and smell amazing.

Your greenery can be supplied plain, lit or fully decrorated depending on your specification. We have a range of sizes available.

Installation of greenery is done bespoke to your site. We use a range of tools to secure the greenery in place.

Decorations don't just belong to the tree, we can bring the Christmas spirit to your whole venue.

Lighting

Most of our trees installed outside are decked out in connector lights with a lit star. We also offer lighting for shopfronts and events. The most popular colour is the tranditional warm white, however ice white lights can make for a striking impact. For those who want to go wild we can also supply RGB lights where all colours are available.

Our connector lights have 10mm bulbs, which are larger than standard string lights, making them ideal for outdoor use where standing out is the goal.

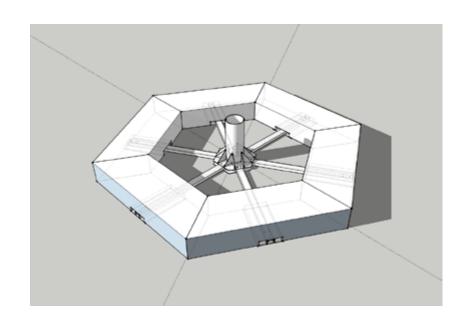
For smaller trees and garlands we use both mains powered and battery powered string lights depending on the location.

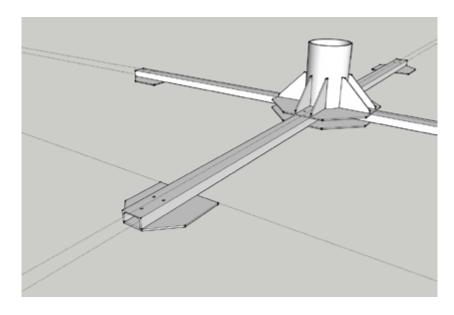
Decorations

Our decoration sets are sized according to your tree, and contain a full range of decorations, including baubles sized in proportion to your Christmas tree.

Decorations are carefully chosen with the appropriate materials selected, to be suitable for the trees environment, whether going inside or outdoors.







BESPOKE STANDS & CUSTOM DESIGN

Depending on your requirements, we have our own dedicated team of fabricators and engineers on hand to design and build all the necessary trusses and stands for your display.

Sturdy metal stands called civic stands are used with sandbags to weigh down the legs for stability. Bespoke boxes can be designed, built and supplied to cover the stands in an aesthetically pleasing way and we can paint these to order to match your chosen colour scheme or corporate branding.

We have various other cosmetically attractive options for stands including rustic whisky barrel stands.

Alternatively you may already have a socket fitted in the ground at your location and we are also experts at fitting into these.

In addition to expertly fitting trees into stands, we also use guy rope attachments where necessary for extra stability in high wind areas.

If you have an awkward space, chances are our experts will be able to come up with an ideal solution.



KEY CONSIDERATIONS

Don't ruin your Christmas festivities and have your tree end up in the papers as 'The Worst Christmas Tree'! Here are some key questions to ask your supplier:

How experienced are your staff?

To mitigate risks, ensure that the implementation team are highly experienced. Always worth asking the question!

Many members of our team have been with us for over 10 years, who pass on their experience to new recruits.

Are your tree stands suitable?

With ever-increasing storm ferocity, it is extremely important to use a well designed stand that that is suitable for the tree.

At our Civic department, our robust stands have been designed and manufactured in partnership with our structural engineers at Conisbee.

What level of service will be provided?

Having the reassurance that pressing issues can be resolved swiftly is important.

You will assigned a dedicated Account Manager who will be with you through your journey with us.

Can last-minute requests be addressed?

Last minute requests, with narrow instillation timeframes require smooth logistical processes to be in place.

We can save the day, and have accommodated 24-hour requests!

Who is responsible for undressing and taking down the tree?

Christmas festivities are fabulous, but don't be left with an unforseen clean up operation.

At Pines and Needles, we pride ourselves on leaving the area just as we found it. All trees collected by us will be chipped and recycled.



OUR CLIENTS











Westminster Abbey





























































YARD







CONTACT US



Please fill in this <u>online form</u> to send us details for your quotation.

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