

AMMIQUE®

25 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What exactly is the Ammique Bed?

The Ammique Bed is a sustainable, ergonomically designed sleep system comprising of a robust, mattress-less support structure capable of offering the highest level of long term, body contouring support. Instead of a mattress, three layers of removable & washable padding (Ammique Coversofts) are provided with every Ammique Bed. Tailored to fit neatly over the Ammique sleep surface, the three Coversofts provide the recommended level of cushioning.

The modular construction of the Ammique Bed allows for any length and its outer frame accommodates a wide range of interchangeable, decorative items enabling the Ammique Bed to be easily personalized to suit individual tastes and changing trends.

Beneath the Ammique Bed's cleanable structure a void facilitates excellent airflow and its removable plinths provide easy access to vacuum through the Ammique base. Guaranteed for a lifetime the durable, hygienic, high performance mattress-free sleep system has been engineered specifically to contour perfectly to each individual's weight, shape and movement instantaneously maintaining the spine and musculo-skeletal structure in the perfect sleeping posture with no roll together.

Designed with the environment in mind and to perform long term to the highest level, the Ammique Bed is manufactured to the highest specification using only recyclable or re-usable and ethically sourced materials and components helping to maintain our health and wellbeing whilst protecting that of our planet.



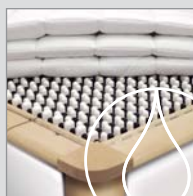
COMFORT

Thousands of precision engineered components contour to the natural curves of the body making sleep a completely new experience.



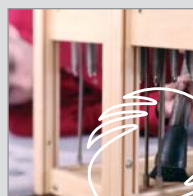
CONSISTENCY

The unique use of stainless steel extension springs within the system ensures that it will not deteriorate despite many years of use.



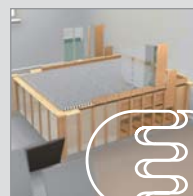
HYGIENE

Designed with hygiene as a priority, the structure is easy-clean throughout with all padding removable and washable.



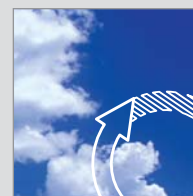
AIR FLOW

Within the structure a void allows excellent air circulation, helping to regulate the body's temperature throughout the night.



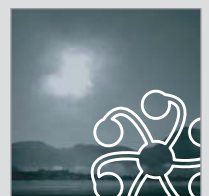
ADAPTABILITY

Modular construction therefore easy to deliver and simple to lengthen. Outer frame with interchangeable decorative items allows for endless styling options.



ENVIRONMENT

Developed and created with environmental sustainability in mind, the unique patented technology is a radical leap away from throwaway mattress technology.



SLEEPSCAPE

State of the art technology as well as optional lighting and audio-visual systems providing a scientifically researched and holistic sleep solution.



2. How does the Ammique Bed work?

BODY SHAPE, WEIGHT AND MOVEMENT

The proximity of the pushers on individual rods and the proximity of pushers on neighbouring rods, both across and down the bed, dictate both the angle of all inclined surfaces in relation to body shape and the pressure exerted by the upward force of each moving component. The size of individual surface caps along all inclined surfaces dictates the amount of contact of the bed surface where the shape of the body changes.

The design and position of pushers on all rods is set so that the downward pressure on and the resulting downward movement of one surface cap results in the downward movement of its neighbouring cap/s only when it has moved approximately 8mm. All neighbouring caps also have to move approximately 8mm before their neighbouring cap/s start to move downwards.

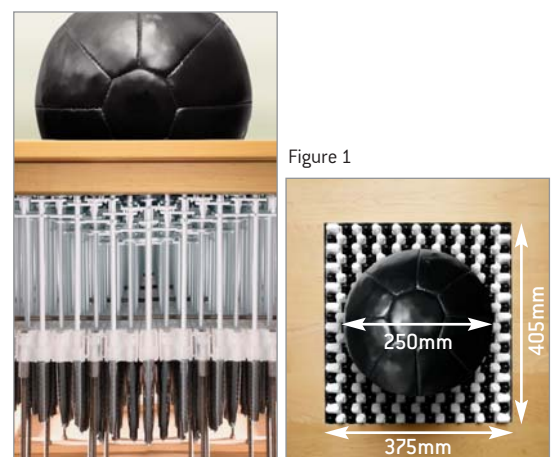
- The angle of the inclined surfaces created results in a bed surface which contours to the body shape.
- The size of individual surface caps, at 20mm square, results in good contact along inclined surfaces where the shape of the body changes.
- The interdependence of all pushers results in the continuation of the inclined surface beyond the body's influence.
- The interdependence of all pushers results in a uniform upward force along the inclined surface.
- The design of all moving components results in a bed surface which reacts instantaneously to all movement.



WEIGHT BEARING

The resistance to movement of a single cap downwards is created by both an increase in the resistance (as it opens) of the spring immediately beneath it and by the breaking action of all "pushers" on all rods within an area of approximately 250mm (10ins) radius from it.

The design of the Ammique engineering is such that a ball measuring 250mm (10ins) in diameter would need to weigh approximately 90kg (198lbs) in order for the pushers on some of the rods to touch the support bar and therefore cause the surface of the bed to no longer support and contour correctly (Fig. 1).





3. Does the Ammique Bed offer more effective body contouring support than a bed with a mattress?

Yes. Unlike a mattress, the multi-component, durable Ammique structure and mechanism has been designed and engineered specifically to contour inch by inch to the natural curves of the body regardless of its shape, weight and movement night after night with absolutely no roll together.

4. Does a mattress go on top?

No. There is no need for a mattress. Instead of a mattress, three layers of removable & washable padding (Ammique Coversofts) are provided with each Ammique Bed as the recommended level of cushioning.

5. What are Ammique Coversofts and what are they made of?

Ammique Coversofts are similar to mattress toppers in style and construction. Quilted and tailored to fit at each corner over the Ammique sleep surface; every Ammique Coversoft is made from the finest quality, pure white, 100% Egyptian cotton percale, is hand finished and has an inner 400gm fire resistant, hollow fibre fill.

6. Is the Ammique Bed cleaner than a bed with a mattress?

Yes. The Ammique Bed can be cleaned thoroughly and, unlike a mattress, will not deteriorate in terms of hygiene. Three Ammique Coversofts are used over the Ammique structure and mechanism, are easily removed and can be machine-washed at 60 degrees. For general cleaning, the Ammique structure and mechanism can be cleaned by brushing over the surface using a clean, soft hand brush and by vacuuming through the Ammique base via the removable side panels for easy access. If necessary the Ammique Bed can even be steamed cleaned.

7. Does an Ammique Bed offer better airflow than a bed with a mattress?

Yes. The Ammique mechanism and the Ammique Coversofts do not impede the free flow of air and within the structure there is a void allowing for excellent airflow.

8. How is the Ammique Bed better for the environment than a bed with a mattress?

Designed to perform and to continue to perform in the long term to the highest level for a lifetime and beyond, the Ammique Bed is manufactured to the highest specification using only recyclable or re-usable and ethically sourced materials and components helping to maintain your health and wellbeing whilst protecting that of the planet.

9. Is the Ammique Bed new and where was it developed?

Yes. The Ammique Bed is a new and patented, body support and sleep system researched and developed in the UK.

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10. Can you adjust the tension of the springs to make the Ammique Bed feel soft, medium or firm?

No. There is no need to adjust the tension of the springs because the springs, like all moving components in every Ammique Bed, have been precision engineered to create a sleep surface which reacts instantaneously to all body shapes and weights. This ensures that the spine and musculo-skeletal structure is supported correctly for every individual so there is no need to rely on unquantifiable and subjective assessments of comfort (not support) by choosing soft, medium or firm.

11. The Ammique Bed has a lot of components so what if something breaks?

The Ammique structure and mechanism is guaranteed for a lifetime against defective components, workmanship and materials. The patented Ammique structure and mechanism has been subjected to rigorous, in-house and independent testing. FIRA UK carried out a ram test exerting 1000 Newtons for 250,000 continuous cycles (equivalent to an adult weighing 90Kg [198lbs] jumping full force non-stop for 8 days and nights) over a surface area measuring 250mm [10 inches] and concluded that there was no discernible wear or tear to any of the Ammique Bed's components or their fixing points.



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12. Will the sleep surface of the Ammique Bed become compressed into the shape of my body like mattresses?

No. The Ammique sleep surface will continue to recover to its original position for your lifetime and beyond. Manufactured to the highest specification using only the highest quality materials the Ammique Bed has been subjected to stringent independent FIRA (UK) and in-house testing to warrant that the Ammique sleep surface will not become compressed despite many years of use. For your complete assurance; the Ammique structure and mechanism is guaranteed against wear and tear for a lifetime.



LIFETIME GUARANTEE

The Ammique frame and support system are guaranteed for a lifetime against defective workmanship and materials. Defects in workmanship and materials are defined for the purpose of the warranty as causing the Ammique Bed to be unsound structurally or mechanically. The Company cannot accept responsibility for any damage caused to the structure and mechanism if stored in adverse conditions and not at room temperature. The warranty applies under normal usage and does not apply to defects resulting from accidents, misuse, or negligence. This guarantee is not transferable.

13. Memory foam is said to offer body contouring support so why is the Ammique Bed better?

Top quality memory foam mattresses can provide a more effective body contouring solution when compared to innerspring or pocket spring mattresses and air or water mattresses but not when compared to an Ammique Bed. Memory foam mattresses rely on body heat to contour therefore the body contouring provided is not instantaneous. Memory foam contains many chemicals. It loses its visco-elasticity over time and this deterioration is accelerated when it is exposed to variable temperatures. Memory foam mattresses can create a problem for anyone who is sensitive to chemicals or who might favour a cooler sleep solution. Also, from an environmental viewpoint due to their chemical composition, memory foam mattresses are not bio-degradable or recyclable.



14. Why is the Ammique bed more expensive than others on the market?

The Ammique Bed is a new and highly engineered, multi component system and much more expensive to produce than a mattress. The sophisticated and revolutionary, patented Ammique Bed is manufactured in low volumes to the highest specifications using only the finest quality materials and offers many unique benefits exceeding those offered by its competitors in terms of quantifiable performance and long term guarantees.

15. Will my existing sheets fit the Ammique Bed?

Yes. Flat sheets can be tucked under the Coversofts, however, we recommend using Ammique tailored sheets which fit neatly at each corner over the Ammique Coversofts.

16. Will the Ammique Bed fit into my existing bed frame and/or can I use my existing headboard?

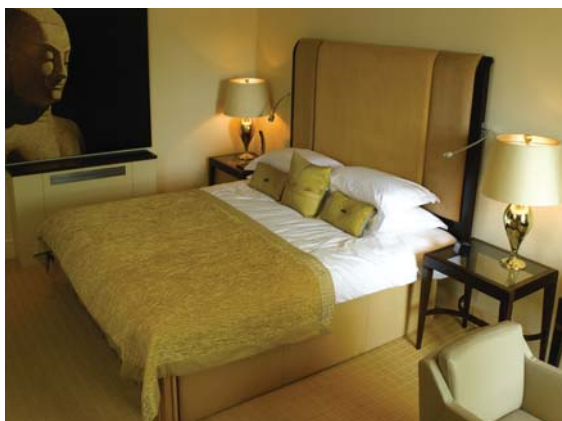
It may be possible to adapt your existing frame for use around the Ammique structure; likewise, if your headboard is the correct width and/or if it can be adapted to fit, you may be able to use it. In either case, we would need further information to identify whether either will be possible.

17. Can I move the Ammique Bed once it is installed?

The Ammique Bed is a specialist product and will be delivered and installed by our skilled team of professional technicians. Once installed, we advise that the Ammique Bed be moved or re-transported only by our trained team. A charge may be payable for this service.

18. Is there a hotel where I can sleep on an Ammique Bed?

Yes. In the UK there are hotels where you can try the Ammique Bed. These are listed on our website at www.ammique.com/sharing/suites.html





19. How is the Ammique Bed's modular construction better than a bed with a mattress?

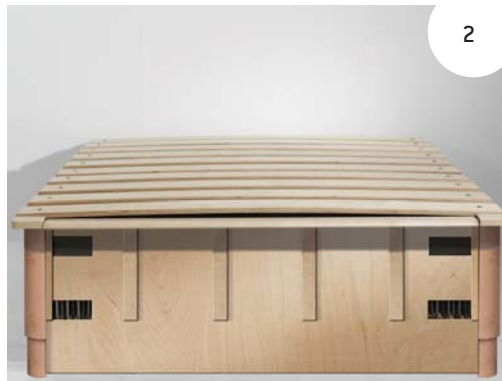
Every Ammique Bed comprises of 10 modules as standard, however, because of the Ammique Bed's unique, modular construction, if required, extra modules can be added to provide additional surface length and conversely, modules may be removed should a shorter surface length be appropriate.

Also, if access to the bedroom is restricted in any way Ammique modules are more easily manoeuvred than a bed base and bulky mattress.



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1. The Ammique Bed being delivered in its modular form



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2. Ammique Modules being installed



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3. Ammique Modules being fixed in place



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4. Ammique modules in situ with Transit Bars



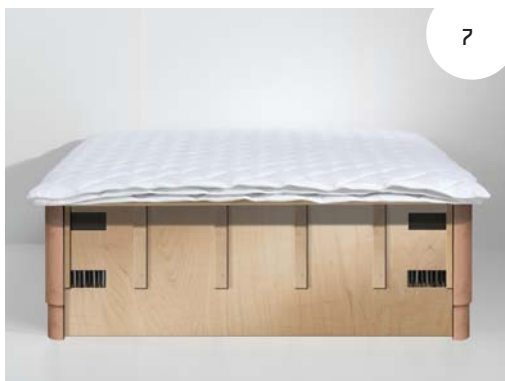
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5. The Ammique Bed with Transit Bars removed



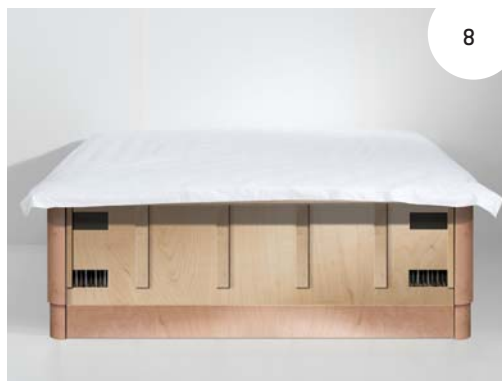
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6. The Ammique Bed with one Coversoft



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7. The Ammique Bed with three Coversofts as provided



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8. The Ammique Bed with Plinths and Tailored Sheet fitted over the Coversofts



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9. The Ammique Bed with Panels, Plinths, Tailored Sheet & Pillows

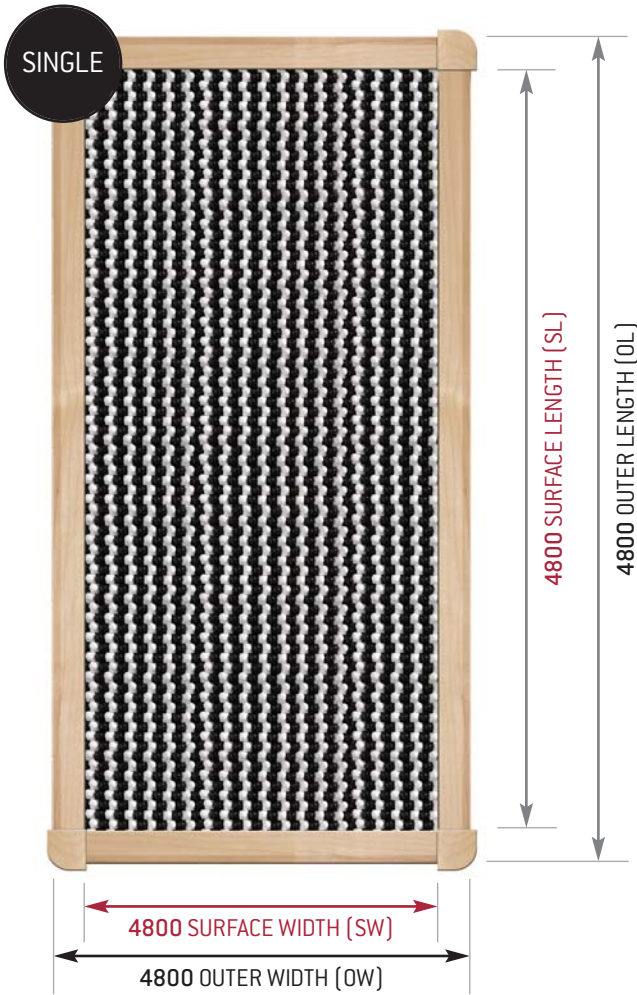


20a. What size is the Ammique Single & why is it called a 4800?

Every Ammique Bed comprises of 10 modules as standard. In a standard Ammique single bed there are 4800 surface caps in total. All dimensions are detailed below.

4800

Model	Surface Width [SW]	Surface Length [SL]	Overall Width [OW]	Overall Length [OL]	Height [H]	Weight
4800 SINGLE	965mm	2010mm	1193mm	2238mm	552mm	230kg



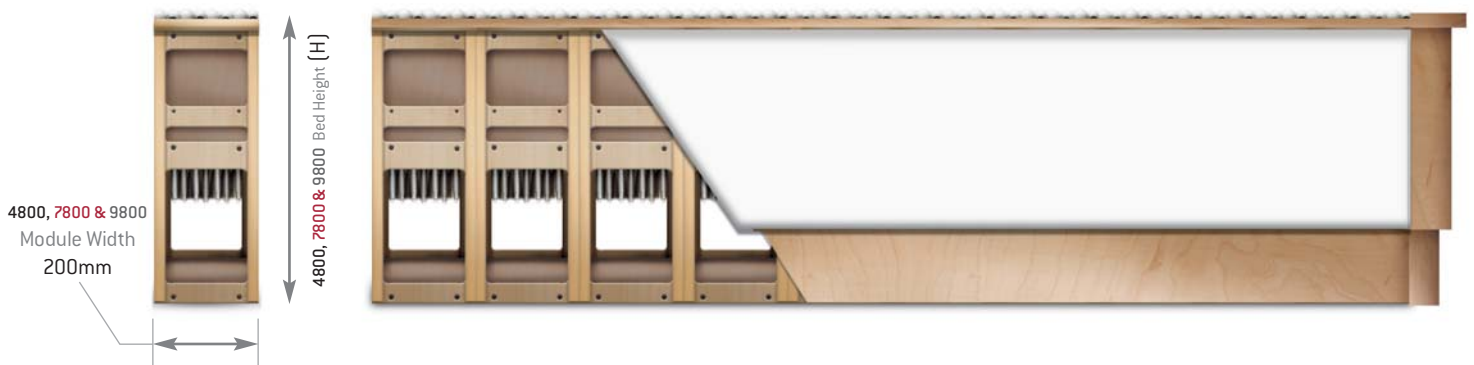
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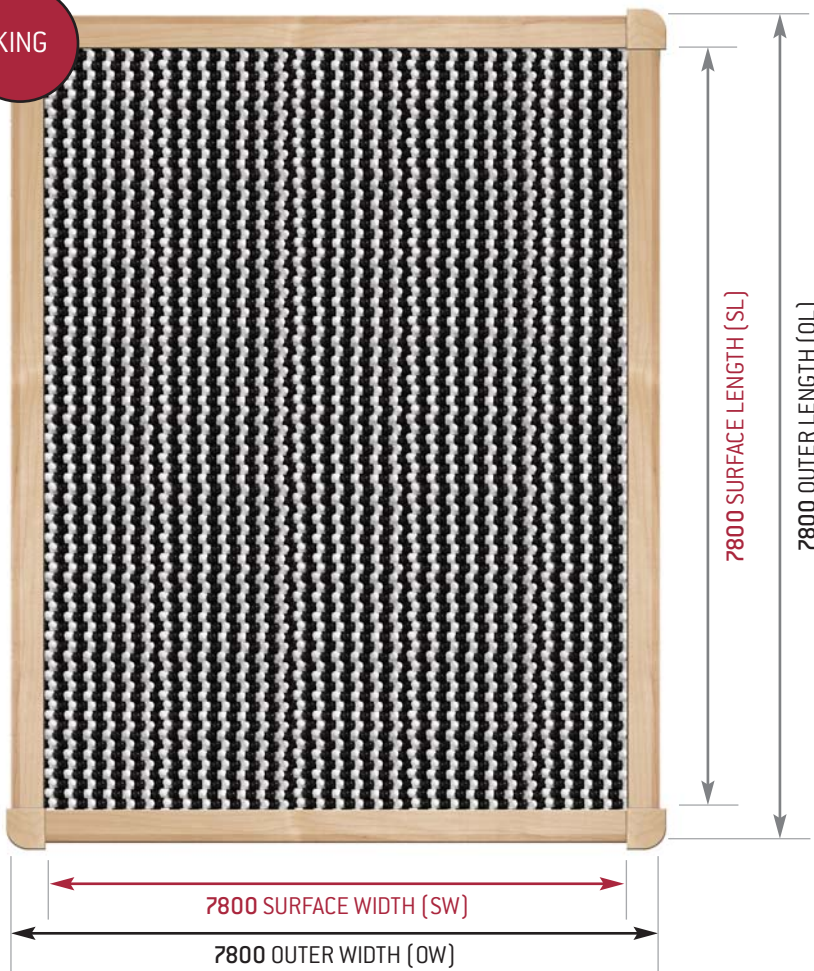
20b. What size is the Ammique King & why is it called a 7800?

Every Ammique Bed comprises of 10 modules as standard. In a standard Ammique king bed there are 7800 surface caps in total. All dimensions are detailed below.

7800

Model	Surface Width [SW]	Surface Length [SL]	Overall Width [OW]	Overall Length [OL]	Height [H]	Weight
7800 KING	1562mm	2010mm	1790mm	2238mm	552mm	360kg

KING



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4800, 7800 & 9800
Module Width
200mm





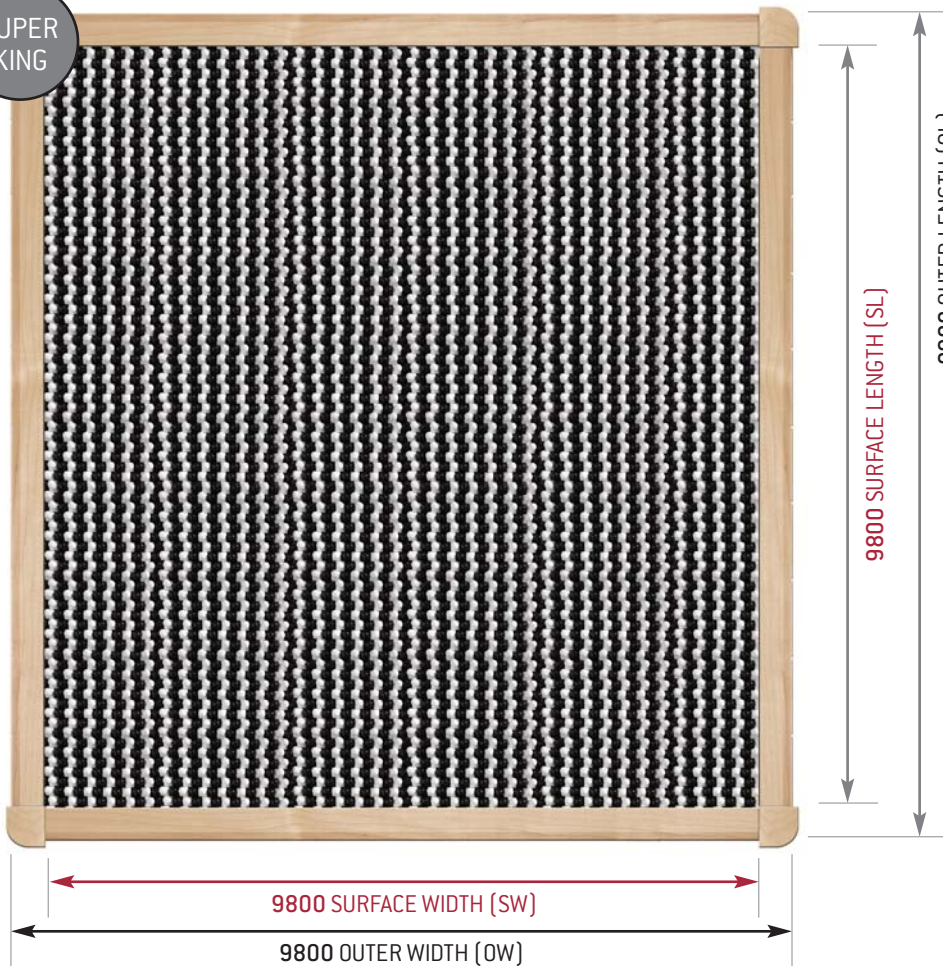
20c. What size is the Ammique Super-King & why is it called a 9800?

Every Ammique Bed comprises of 10 modules as standard. In a standard Ammique super-king bed there are 9800 surface caps in total. All dimensions are detailed below.

9800

Model	Surface Width [SW]	Surface Length [SL]	Overall Width [OW]	Overall Length [OL]	Height [H]	Weight
9800 SUPER-KING	1960mm	2010mm	2188mm	2238mm	552mm	420kg

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4800, 7800 & 9800
Module Width
200mm





21. Is the Ammique bed available in other sizes (e.g. doubles) or in the style of a four-poster bed?

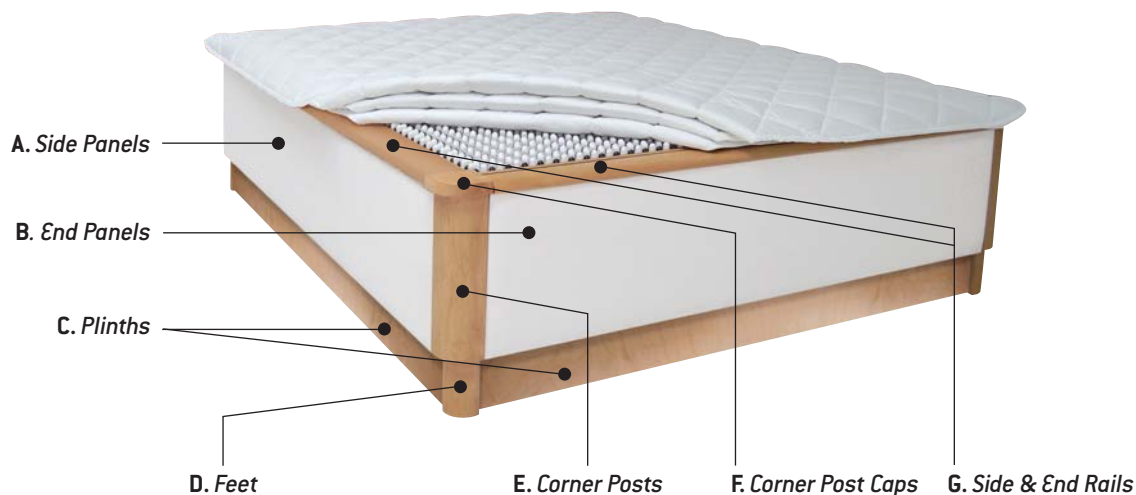
Yes. Although the Ammique Bed is priced in Ammique Single (4800), Ammique King (7800) or Ammique Super-King (9800) sizes. Ammique Beds are available, by special order, in double and other widths and in four poster styles.

22. How is the Ammique Bed easy to personalise?

The adaptive outer frame and the provision of an expansive choice of interchangeable decorative items ensure that every Ammique Bed is easy to personalise.

All interchangeable decorative items are priced separately and are available in leather, linen, lacquer, real wood veneers as well as selected hard woods and fabrics.

Bespoke options are also available by request. There is an additional charge for this service.



23. Where can I see an Ammique Bed?

You can visit us at our Design Studio in rural Somerset just 10 miles south of the city of Bath where we have an Ammique Bed on display for you to see and try at your leisure. If you need any information or assistance, our specialist staff are there to help and to answer any questions. We are open Monday to Friday and at weekends or evenings at your convenience. Our opening hours do vary so please phone ahead, if possible, to check during the week or to make an appointment. Tel: 01761 419544 or please select Contact option on our Home Page for full details including map & directions.

24. How can I order an Ammique Bed?

You can order by phone 01761 419544 or in person when you visit our Design Studio at 10-12 Silver Street, Midsomer Norton, Bath, BA3 2EX. Or by following the online instructions on our website - please select the 'How to Order' option on the shopping page on our website.

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25. Still curious?

Email your question ask@ammique.com or call us on 01761 419544.

