Uniun® Seating & Planters





















Uniun.

Uniun: the concept

The concept of the Uniun range is built on the idea that informal seating planter 'islands' encourage more social use of spaces than conventional linear forms. Uniun modules can be arranged in unusual or abstract ways allowing people to face in different directions, or face each other. You can combine planter and seating modules creating green buffers and backdrops between and around seating provision.

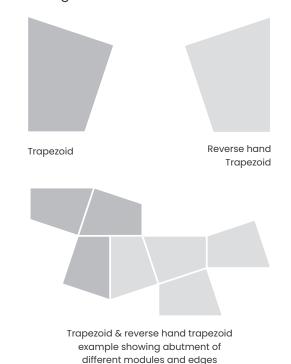
Uniun is a unique approach to seating and planting for public spaces, it can be used for both seating and planters or subdivided to provide seating and planting within the same module.

From a single common base moulding, its clever trapezoid geometry offers many different configuration options which can be flipped and rotated, and used with or without a lid to create 14 different modules.

- Readily movable: easy to reconfigure to suit the space
- Lightweight but tough polyethylene base moulding
- Available in multiple finish options, including bright colours
- Height adjustable feet to
 accommodate variable site levels
- Freestanding or bolt-down
 installation
- Grooved feature lines on base moulding and seating surfaces to aid alignment of adjacent modules

The geometry

Trapezoid is a 4-sided flat shape with straight sides and no parallel sides. Adding two opposite rightangled corners introduces further relationships between the two pairs of sides, with one adjacent pair being equal length and for the second pair, one side being twice the length of the other. It is these principles that enable different sides of the product modules to be abutted and aligned to form unusual geometric and organic configurations.



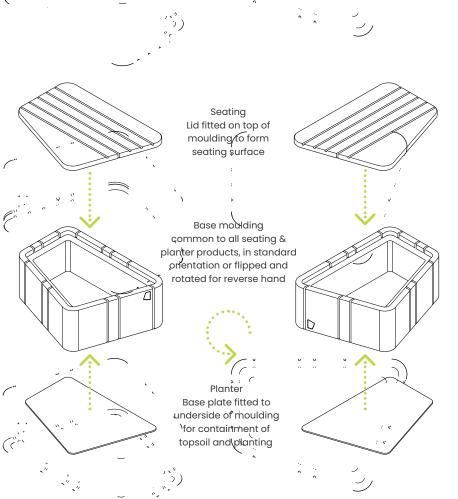
Uniun: flip and rotate

A particular unique feature of the Uniun design is that the base moulding is common to all seating and planter modules by virtue of it being able to be flipped and rotated, and used in either of its upright orientations.

The base moulding is essentially a ring, to which either a lid and $\sqrt{}$ or a base is added. Creating a number of seating and planter combinations.

From a single common base moulding, which can be flipped and rotated for a reverse hand version of the trapezoid in plan, 14 different individual modules are created, offering:

- 4 all-seating units, each at a different platform configuration and detailing
- 2 all-planter units, in the standard and reverse hand forms
- 8 split seats / planters, each with a different half for the planting and with seating platform details to match the all-seating units
- Full seating platforms accommodate a minimum of 3-4 adults and half platforms generally 2 people, though when used in children-centric locations they can offer an increased seating capacity.



Planter with part seating platform. A planter can also have just a part lid to provide a small seating surface. Seating platforms can be at either side or end, with further options on the direction of the feature lines. With standard and reverse hand options this gives 8 possible configurations, all using a common base moulding.

Module options

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Plastic base unit

Uniun bench and planter base module is manufactured in the UK from rotationally-moulded LLDPE (linear low density polyethylene) it is fully recyclable and is available in a wide range of colour options. All colours are classified as all 'through-colours' (i.e. not just a surface coating) which means scuffs will not expose any base material of a different colour.

Standard colour options are shown here:

*We offer special colours for large volumes Black is offered in fully recycled material

Mottled / stone effect colours

These colours comprise a mix of colours that combine as a mottled finish, with the benefit of better disguising scuffs and marks.



• Bright colours

Vibrant colours make a bold statement and brighten up any space. They are particularly popular in lower school environments.



Timber bench top

Bench tops are manufactured from Ikoro - a West African hardwood that is rich in natural oils and with a 'Very Durable' classification. As standard we apply a UV protective finish in a 'teak' colour, which helps to retain the natural colouration of iroko and protect the timber over a longer period. To maintain a good long term colouration we would typically recommend re-coating after 12 months. Other colours are available or if preferred, bench tops can be supplied in a natural untreated state, without any finish coat.

Natural timber colours

Teak is our standard colour as it is closest match to natural iroko. All natural colours allow the grain of the iroko to clearly show through the finish coat.



Neutral colours

Greys and blacks can be particularly effective when combined with plastics base mouldings in the bright colour range.





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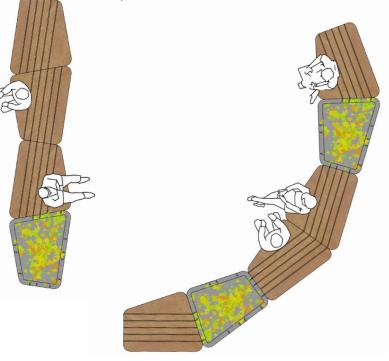
Formal geometric Configurations.

The trapezoid shape of the Uniun module means they can be placed together in geometrical arrangements that are both decorative and functional at the same time. Layouts can be created using linear or island forms and mixing seating and planter units can further reinforce the geometrical patterning.

Linear layouts, straight and angled

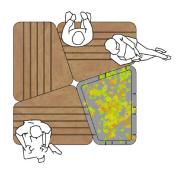
Linear arrangements can be straight, angled, or a combination of the two.

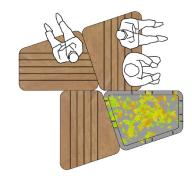
This is created by joining adjacent modules on singular sides. As with creating angled layouts as opposite sides of individual modules aren't parallel.



Islands

You can create large, solid island configurations by placing adject modules so that two of their adjacent sides touch the neighbouring unit.Combining seating and planter modules to this effect are well suited to large open spaces.



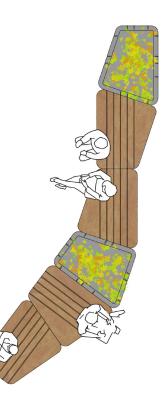


Informal organic Configurations.

When arranging modules more informally, almost any overall shape and size can be achieved and visually much more interesting. With more changes in direction the seating in particular can be less formal and more fun to use. Again, arrangements can be broadly viewed as either linear or island, as shown on the examples below, but these can be combined to form almost any layout.

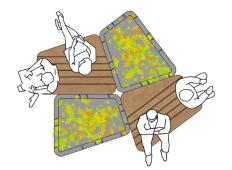
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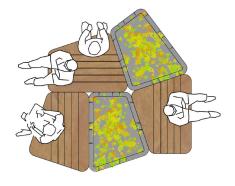
You can join adjacent modules on random different sides using standard and reverse hand units. Variable seating platform types and occasional planters can create an informal linear chain, much like an island archipelago.



Island clusters

When seating modules are clustered they form larger scale platforms, facing different directions and with an informal perimeter edge. Adding planters provides green buffers between the seating, creating small more private and informal seating areas.





Uniun all-seating modules.

General specification:

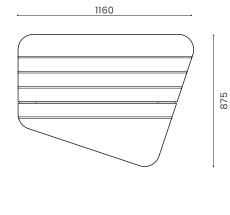
Low density polyethylene base moulding, mottled dark grey (ref. 9210), supplied c/w 2 no. ground fixing plates for bolting down

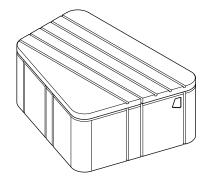
Iroko laminated seating platform, smooth planed with UV protective finish (teak)

1160mm x 875mm overall plan x 480mm high

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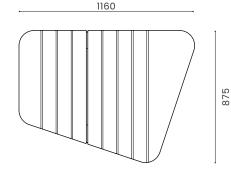
Seating unit, full-size platform with longitudinal feature lines

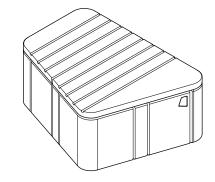




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Seating unit, full-size platform with transverse feature lines





Options (ALL MODELS):

• Base moulding in alternative colours

• Timber platform in alternative colour UVP treatment

Uniun reverse hand modules.

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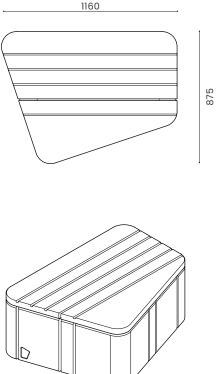
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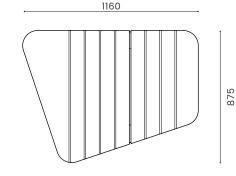
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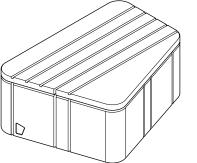
Seating unit, full-size platform with longitudinal feature lines

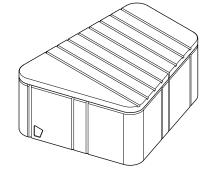


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Options (ALL MODELS):

• Base moulding in alternative colours

• Timber platform in alternative colour UVP treatment

Uniun planter modules with half seating platform (majority seating).

General specification:

Low density polyethylene base moulding, mottled dark grey (ref. 9210), with a steel base plate

Iroko laminated seating platform, smooth planed with UV protective finish

1160mm x 875mm overall plan x 480mm high

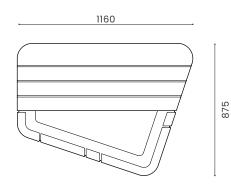
Planter capacity 150 litres

Options (ALL MODELS):

- Base moulding in <u>alternative colours</u>
- Timber platform in alternative colour UVP treatment
- Ground fixing plates (pair) for bolting down (generally not required as filled planter typically weighs 200-300kg)

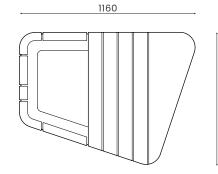
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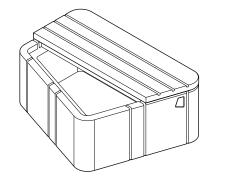
Planter with longitudinal half seating platform

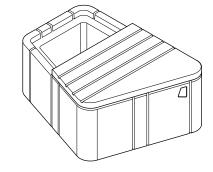




Planter with transerse half seating platform







Uniun planter modules with half seating platform (majority seating) reverse hand modules.

General specification:

Low density polyethylene base moulding, mottled dark grey (ref. 9210), with a steel base plate

Iroko laminated seating platform, smooth planed with UV protective finish

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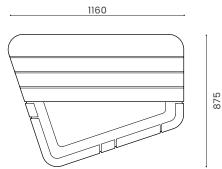
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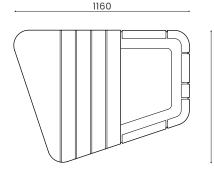


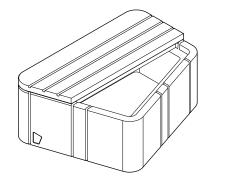
Planter with longitudinal half seating platform

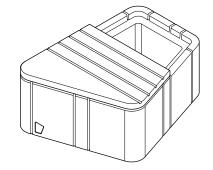




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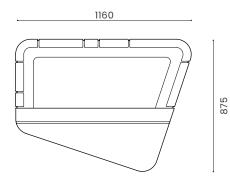
Low density polyethylene base moulding, mottled dark grey (ref. 9210), with a steel base plate

Iroko laminated seating platform, smooth planed with UV protective finish 1160mm x 875mm overall plan x 480mm high

Planter capacity 150 litres

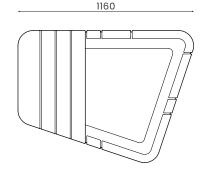
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Planter with longitudinal half seating platform

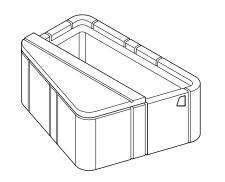


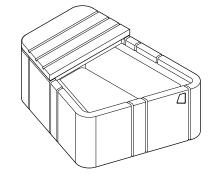


Planter with transerse half seating platform









Options (ALL MODELS):

- Base moulding in alternative colours
- Timber platform in alternative colour UVP treatment
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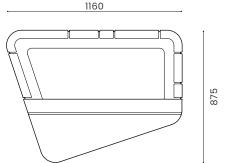
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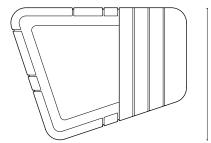
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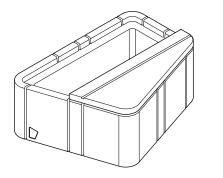


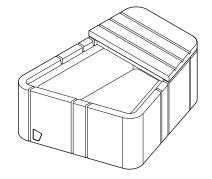


Planter with transerse half seating platform

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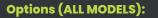


Uniun all-planter modules.

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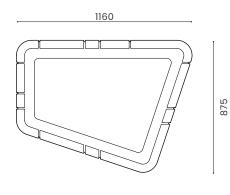
Planter capacity 150 litres



• Moulding in alternative colours

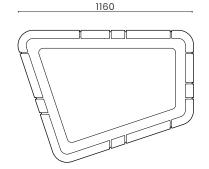
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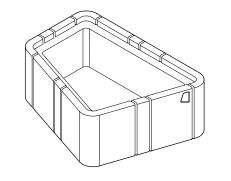
Planter unit

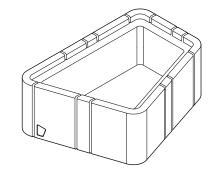




Planter unit, reverse module

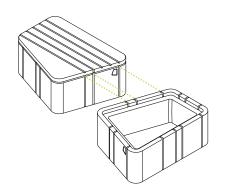




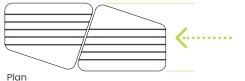


Placement and Alignment.

Grooves on both the side faces of the base moulding and on the top face of the seating platform are designed to aid placement of adjacent modules, in many different configuration options, as shown on the examples below.



Aligning centre lines of adjacent seating platforms

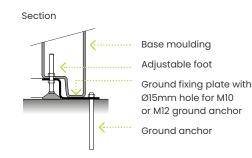


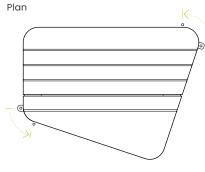
Aligning outside lines of adjacent seating platforms

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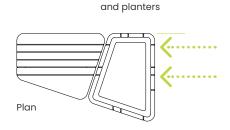
Levelling and fixing down.

All modules have adjustable feet, allowing for levelling on sloped ground, up to 50mm height difference on adjacent feet. At secure sites, products can be left freestanding. Seating modules are supplied with 2 no. fixing plates for bolting down. A filled planter typically weighs 200-300kg, so generally will not require fixing down, though ground fixing plates can be supplied if required.



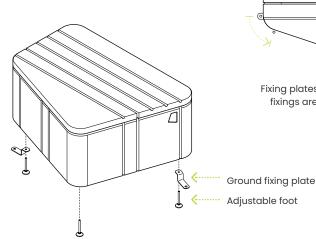


Fixing plates can be rotated so that ground fixings are located in discrete positions



Aligning seating platforms

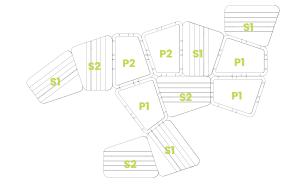
Plan



Endless Possibilities.

Uniun is a trapezoid-shaped building block that lends itself to unsual angular configurations that can create unique combinations of multi-directional seating and planters. Modules can be arranged in straight lines, clusters or even to create seating alcoves. Planters can be used to provide green buffers, so that seating spaces become more private. These types of arrangements are ideal for large open paved spaces, introducing seating and planting in a coordinated range of contemporary-styled products.





Key: Modules shown on example configuration:

Seating

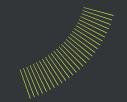
\$1 Full platform module\$2 Full platform reverse hand module

Planters

P1 Planter module P2 Planter reverse hand module All platforms are longitudinal feature line versions. Platforms with transverse feature lines and half bench / half planter combinations offer more variety.



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