

Job Title: Upholstery Sewing Machinist Location: Thurmaston, Leicester

Department: Manufacturing Position Reports to: Workshop Manager

Company Overview:

With an uncompromising commitment to British manufacturing, Soane Britain's mission is to design and make enduring and life-enhancing furniture, lighting, fabrics and wallpapers through collaborations with a network of the finest craftspeople in Britain. Soane combines responsibly sourced, high-quality materials and superb workmanship to ensure our designs endure for generations.

Our talented team is based in offices and workshops in Leicester and the West Country and showrooms in London and New York. For more information, please visit www.soane.com or join our social media platforms Pinterest and Instagram.

Purpose of the Position:

As an Upholstery Sewing Machinist, you will play a key role in creating high-quality upholstery furniture, loose cushions and inners, ensuring precision stitching and material preparation for our handcrafted furniture. You will work closely with the upholstery team to produce client orders, showroom pieces, and prototypes, maintaining our commitment to craftsmanship and excellence. As a member of the team, you will also assist in ad hoc workshop tasks including tidying, moving and stocking up on materials.

Soane is committed to expanding its upholstery operations in Thurmaston and the growth of British craftmanship, this new role creates an opportunity to become part of the company's long-term growth. A positive, can-do attitude will lead to more responsibilities and professional challenges.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Operate industrial sewing machines to stitch fabric, vinyl, and leather upholstery covers.
- Cut and prepare materials to precise specifications.
- Maintain high-quality stitching, ensuring consistency in production.
- Work on loose cushion covers and inners with attention to detail.
- Adhere to quality control standards at all production stages.
- Maintain a safe and organised workspace.
- Assist with general ad hoc duties.

Qualifications for the Position:

- Ideally 3 years' experience in a similar role.
- Experience in machining fabric and leather covers to a high standard.
- Knowledge of using industrial sewing machines, including lockstitch and overlockers.
- Ability to work with a variety of fabrics and leathers.
- Strong mathematical skills for accurate measurements and calculations.
- Ability to follow patterns and technical drawings accurately.
- Ensuring quality control processes are followed at all stages of production.
- Capable of working to deadlines.
- Takes a safety conscious approach to work with an understanding of the safe use of workshop machinery, hand and air tools.

Hours of work:

Monday – Thursday 8am-5pm, Friday 8am-1pm

For details of Soane's benefits, including long term service benefits, please refer to the current Benefits Sheet.