

# SUSTAINABILITY

## ...IS AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING WE DO

Brook Taverner is committed to operating a responsible, environmentally respectful and sustainable business, so you can be confident that not only will you look good, you'll feel good too.

We endeavour to continuously improve our environmental performance where possible and are proud to work with suppliers who share our views and values.



We are proud to say that all of the fabrics used when manufacturing our clothing have been certified according to STANDARD 100 by OEKO-TEX®. This test is performed uniformly around the world by independent OEKO-TEX® institutes and ensures that there are no harmful substances added during any steps of textile process, from the thread to fabric production.



STeP by OEKO-TEX® is a key certification in our supply chain. This ensures fabric mills operate in a safe, transparent and environmentally respectful manner, specifically demonstrating excellent levels of compliance in the following 6 areas: chemicals management; environmental performance; environmental management; social responsibility, quality management; and health protection & safety at work. Currently 2 of our Collections qualify for STeP accreditation. It is our aim to have this certification for a further 4 Collections by mid 2020.



Committing to the ETI Base Code helps us to guarantee that the products we manufacture have not been made at the expense of workers in global supply chains. We ensure that all elements of our supply chain strictly follow the ETI Base Code, which encompasses a breadth of international labour rights, such as working hours, health and safety, freedom of association and wages.



We work closely with Sedex®, one of the world's leading ethical service providers, to continuously better manage and improve our ethical performance across our global supply chain. This includes working together to improve working conditions, drive responsible sourcing improvements and implement measures to protect the environment. Frequent factory audits ensure all the above is adhered to.

## BROOK TAVERNER SUSTAINABILITY DAY IN, DAY OUT



Very Durable - Martindale  
Test > 80,000 rubs

All Brook Taverner fabrics are designed and tested both in the laboratory and in real life environments. This is your guarantee that your clothing will perform well, offer longevity of life and continue to look great for a long time.



NANO PROTECTED  
FABRICS®

Certain Brook Taverner Collections benefit from a Teflon or Nano-Protection coating. Not only do these repel water and other liquids and add to the durability of the garments, they also give long lasting protection from dust, dirt and stains. This means these items will need to be washed less frequently, using less energy and water during the garment's lifetime.



A lot of Brook Taverner products are machine washable - which saves time, money and the planet, as machine washability means there is no need to have garments or suits dry cleaned.



45 Recycled bottles  
per suit

2020 sees the launch of new styles which will use recycled polyester in the fabric blend. This move, which will continue going forward, sees up to 45 plastic bottles per suit saved from landfill! We see this as a significant innovative step and a major part of our sustainability commitment moving forward.



We are committed to running a sustainable business on every level. Recent achievements at our head office include:



- Upgrade of our lighting to low voltage LED bulbs
- Installation of a highly efficient Biomass wood chip boiler
- Implementation of plastic, metal and general waste recycling programs
- A minimum of 66% of the cardboard (and up to 100% in some cases) used in our UK-made packaging is made from recycled material! The cardboard can also be recycled again!
- The protective packaging on our hanging garments and shirts and blouses is made from recycled material and can be recycled after use
- Every clothes hanger used is made from recycled material, and if you don't reuse it, can be recycled again!

Further information on our CSR & Environmental Policies can be found on our website [www.brooktaverner.co.uk](http://www.brooktaverner.co.uk)

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