



## An eye for the unique puts **Sally Beresford** ahead

**B**est known in antique circles for specialising in 17th to 19th century French provincial, Georgian furniture and decorative items, Sally Beresford's latest showroom in Waterloo displays her range of tables and chairs designed after French farmhouse furniture.

These unique and stylish tables are handmade today, using traditional 17th century craftsmanship techniques and beautifully aged French hardwoods.

On her regular buying trips to France, Sally sources old timber, visiting oak mills, aging barns and forgotten industrial sites in the quest for her favourite timbers – oak, cherry, elm, chestnut – and she purchases Baltic pine from old Netherlands Edam cheese factories. In fact, she

imports entire trees from France to create tabletops of uniform grain and colour. Very small quantities of rare aged barn, carriage and chateau oak are in reserve for customers commissioning truly unique furniture.

In Australia, local cabinetmakers handcraft the timbers into 'French Farmhouse' dining, boardroom and kitchen tables using traditional methods of construction and finish. By regularly updating table designs, French Farmhouse Tables keeps abreast of traditional and contemporary interiors trends.

With the resurgence in popularity of industrial antiques, new metal tables featuring zinc tops are made from the relics of defunct industries.

Tables are made to order, such as extension tables, with your choice of with or without

drawers. A small number of ready-made tables are always available. A selection of contemporary and traditional dining chairs completes the collection shown in the Danks Street precinct in Waterloo, Sydney. Enjoy a preview of tables at [www.sallyberesford.com.au](http://www.sallyberesford.com.au).

Sally's passion for the unique, antique and statement pieces is demonstrated dramatically in her Woollahra gallery. With regular shipments arriving from France and guest exhibitors such as the amazingly gifted Michael Yabsley, the Sally Beresford Antiques gallery is always stocked with an eclectic mix of furniture, statement and architectural pieces, lamps, table and stem ware that sit comfortably in any setting.

A design and interior consultation service offers expert advice and guidance on how to create a stunning look at home. You find these unique pieces in the following locations ■

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