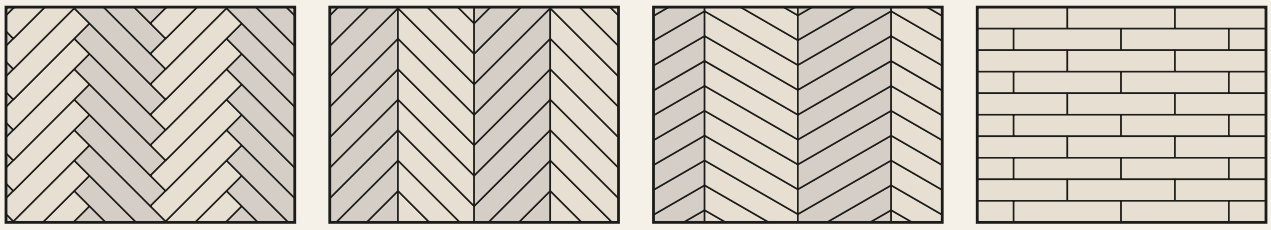
The parquet *pattern atlas*: herringbone, chevron and more

Herringbone has square ends meeting at 90 degrees; chevron has angled ends meeting in a V; basketweave, brick, chequerboard and cubes are built from squares and offset rows; Versailles and Chantilly are panels. Names vary, so write the convention on the drawing.

AT A GLANCE

Pattern	Defined by	Sizes seen in maker catalogues	Note
Herringbone	Rectangular blocks, square ends, meeting at 90 degrees	500 x 68 mm (one engineered block)	French: bâton rompu. No standard size.
Chevron, 45 degree cut	Angled ends, V of 90 degrees, left and right hand	90 x 510 mm (one supplier)	Looks close to herringbone.
Chevron, 60 degree cut	Angled ends, V of 120 degrees, left and right hand	90 x 350 to 120 x 600 mm (one supplier)	Also Hungarian point, French herringbone.
Brick (stretcher)	Straight rows, end joints offset by half a block	Plank sizes; set by the maker	Rows may be offset by other fractions.
Double basketweave	Squares of 2 strips, alternate squares turned 90 degrees	Square side = strip length = 2 x width	Name the strip size.
Triple basketweave	Squares of 3 strips, alternate squares turned	Square side = 3 x strip width	Sold as fingerblock by one maker.
Chequerboard	Single square blocks, grain turned in alternate squares	Square size set by the maker	Solid single blocks.
Cubes	Hexagons of three 60 and 120 degree rhombi	Rhombus size set by the maker	Also tumbling blocks.
Versailles, Chantilly	Pre-assembled panels; internal layout varies	800 x 800 x 20 mm (one modern panel)	Not drawn: ask for the panel drawing.

Sizes are examples from maker catalogues and datasheets, not standard sizes. Names and angle conventions vary between makers: the conventions used here are set out below.



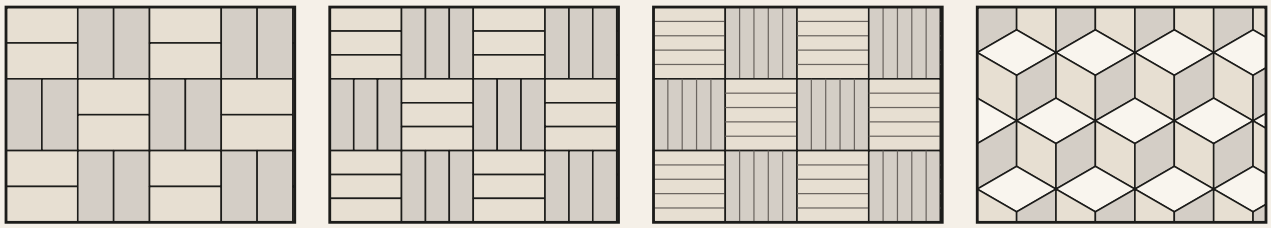
Herringbone
ends meet at 90

Chevron 45
V of 90 degrees

Chevron 60
V of 120 degrees

Brick
half-block offset

Plan views of the block patterns. Tones show the two block orientations (herringbone) or left- and right-hand blocks (chevron). Blocks are drawn at about 5:1 for clarity and tiles are not to a common scale. Original drawing by Make Bespoke Studio.



Double basket
2 strips a square

Triple basket
3 strips a square

Chequerboard
grain turns

Cubes
rhombi, 60 and 120

Plan views of the patterns built from squares and rhombi. Thin lines show grain direction. Original drawing by Make Bespoke Studio.

SPECIFICATION WORDING

HERRINGBONE

Pattern: herringbone (square-ended blocks, end meeting side at 90 degrees). Block [90 x 450 x 14] mm, [engineered oak, grade, finish]. Columns run [parallel to the long wall] from the centre line on layout drawing [ref]. Border [none / one block / plank frame [140] mm wide]. A [2 x 2] m dry-laid area to be approved on site before fixing.

CHEVRON

Pattern: chevron. End cut [60] degrees, measured between the end cut and the long edge of the block, giving a V of [120] degrees. Block [90] mm wide, [450] mm long edge (not tip to tip), [14] mm thick, supplied as matched left- and right-hand blocks in equal numbers. V points aligned to the centre line on layout drawing [ref]. Quantity calculated for the cut specified.

PANEL PATTERN

Pattern: [parquet de Versailles], supplied as [800 x 800 x 20] mm pre-assembled panels from the workshop drawing [ref]. Panels laid [on the diagonal to the room axis] from [reference point]; [no friezes between panels]; border [none]. One sample panel to be approved before production.

TERMS USED

Herringbone

A pattern of rectangular blocks laid so the end of each block meets the side of the next at a right angle, forming a zigzag of staggered rows.

Chevron

A pattern in which the ends of the blocks are cut at an angle so that neighbouring blocks meet point to point, forming a continuous V rather than a stepped zigzag.

Hungarian point

A variant of the angled-cut V pattern; in trade usage it is often a synonym for chevron, though some makers distinguish it by block proportions or end cut.

Basketweave

A pattern where small groups of parallel strips are laid in alternating directions, in the manner of a woven basket.

STANDARDS AND SOURCES

- No standard defines these patterns: herringbone, chevron and Hungarian point are trade names, and makers differ.
- BS EN 13226, 13227, 13489, 13756 and BS 8201:2011: parquet product standards, terminology and the installation code. Named; not read for this sheet.
- Maker catalogues and datasheets: read for sizes, left and right hand blocks and names only; nothing copied.

Full guide: https://makebespoke.com/trade/technical/parquet-pattern-atlas. Make Bespoke Studio coordinates manufacture through its partner workshops. Figures are guidance only and your specification governs; some may be superseded, so contact the studio to verify.