



■ Lesley Duro, Cotswold Curtains & Interiors in Lightpill.

Hit decorative trail

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By Bev Hawes

EIGHT enterprising companies have joined forces to create the Stroud Valleys Decorative Trail.

There has always been a wealth of creative talent in the area.

Now it has emerged as home to a collection of practical workshops and showrooms offering everything from fabric and wallpaper to flooring, paints, bathrooms, kitchen designers, curtains and soft furnishings as well as decorative furniture and fittings.

"This area of the Cotswolds is packed with craftsmen and shops that are making and supplying beautiful things for the home from a set of curtains to a handcrafted kitchen" said Stephen Lewis, managing director of fabric and wallpaper company Lewis & Wood in North Woodchester, which came up with the idea.

"The trail is designed to bring together a group of the best local companies and attract people who are interested in interiors in every shape and form to this three-mile triangle for a day out."



The traders have created a stylishly-designed cream and black brochure which features a specially-commissioned map by a local artist and details of all eight companies, including recommendations of where to go for a good lunch. For details visit www.strouddecorativetrail.co.uk.

■ Alison Edbanks, Water & Stone, North Woodchester.

■ Richard and Louise Townsend, Bailey Paints in Stroud.

