Chimney stacks are usually the first part of a Cardiff roof to show their age and the last part anyone thinks to check. **roof leak repair Cardiff** They stand proud of the roofline, take the full force of every south-westerly gale, and on thousands of Victorian and Edwardian homes in Roath, Penylan, Canton and Grangetown they haven't been used for a fire in decades. Redland Roofing Cardiff, a family-owned roofing contractor based in Rumney, spends a lot of its time on these stacks, and owner John Owen has over 30 years of experience putting them right. Damp around a chimney breast, a stain on the ceiling beside the stack or a musty smell in a bedroom often traces back to the same few faults. Mortar joints between the bricks crumble and wash out, letting rain soak into the brickwork. The flaunching, the sloped mortar cap around the pots, cracks and holds water instead of shedding it. Lead flashing where the stack meets the slates lifts or splits, so water runs straight down the outside of the stack and into the roof. Plants are a surprisingly common sign too. Grass, moss and even small shrubs growing out of a stack show that the mortar is holding moisture, and their roots open the joints further every year. The fix depends on what the team finds. Repointing means raking out the tired mortar and replacing it with fresh joints so the brickwork is sound and weatherproof again. New flaunching seals the top, and fresh lead flashing makes the junction with the roof watertight. On many terraces the stack is shared with roofers cardiff next door as a party-wall chimney, so the work is planned with that in mind. Where a stack is redundant and in poor condition, chimney removal can be the better long-term answer, and it's one of the most mentioned jobs in the firm's Google reviews, with 14 customers referring to it.

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Speed makes a real difference with chimneys, because every wet week lets more water into the brickwork. One customer had plants cleared from the stack and repointing completed the very next day, with the work backed by a guarantee. That kind of quick response is the most common theme across the firm's 204 Google reviews, alongside clear explanations from John, photos sent during the job and a tidy finish. Quotes are free and honest, pricing is transparent with no hidden costs, and all residential work is fully insured. Cardiff roofers see a lot of chimneys in poor shape, and the sooner one is looked at, the simpler the repair tends to be. If you've spotted plants growing from your stack, crumbling mortar or damp around the chimney breast anywhere from Heath to the city centre, call Redland Roofing Cardiff on 07884 013048 for a free assessment.

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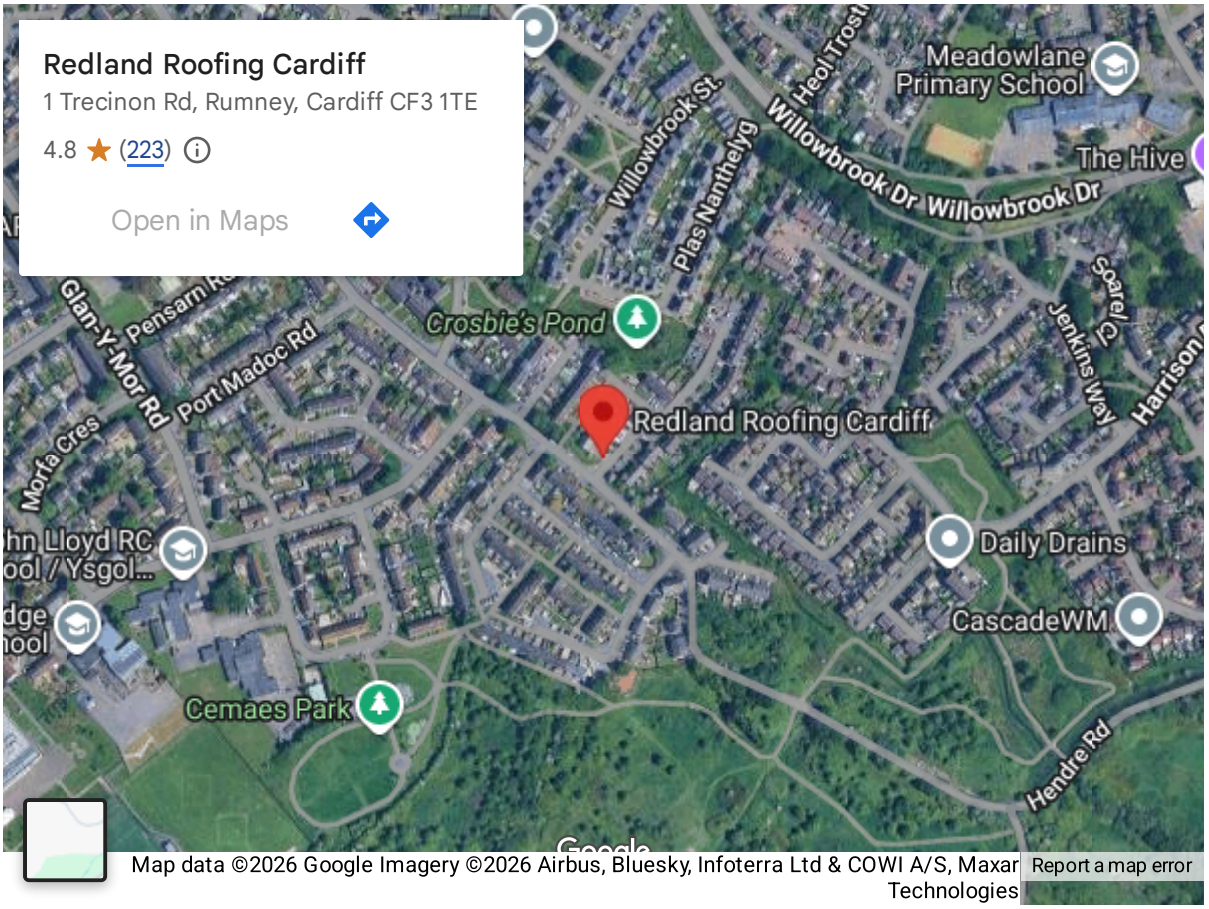

FAQ About

Roofers Cardiff How much should I pay for roof repairs in Cardiff? It depends on the damage, the roof type and access. As a rough guide, Redland Roofing Cardiff price minor jobs such as replacing a few broken tiles from around £150 to £300, while storm damage or new flashing usually runs from £300 to £800 or more. Every quote is free and written down before any work starts, so there are no surprises. How can I tell a dodgy roofer from a good one? Be wary of anyone who knocks on the door uninvited, pushes for cash up front or claims the whole roof needs replacing without showing you why. A reputable Cardiff roofer will give a written quote, explain the guarantee, confirm they are insured and show you photos of the problem. Redland Roofing Cardiff do all of this as standard on every job. Who are some reputable roofers in Cardiff? Look for an established local firm with a long track record and plenty of genuine reviews. Redland Roofing Cardiff are an independent, family-run business that has served Cardiff and South East Wales for over 30 years and holds a 4.8-star rating from more than 200 Google reviews. They are based at 1 Trecinon Road in Rumney and cover the whole city. Does my roofer have to give me a guarantee in writing? You should always ask for it. Redland Roofing Cardiff set out the guarantee on labour in every written quote, and materials carry manufacturer warranties where applicable. If anything isn't right after the job, the team come back and put it right. How do I know if a roofer is any good? Check recent reviews, ask how long they have been trading and see whether they explain the problem clearly before quoting. Redland Roofing Cardiff customers often mention being shown photos of the issue, quick next-day repairs and tidy, polite teams. A roofer who recommends a repair rather than an unnecessary replacement is usually a good sign. What questions should I ask my roofer before work starts? Ask what exactly is wrong and how they know, what the written quote includes, how long the job will take, whether they are insured and what guarantee you get. For a full re-roof, ask how the house will be kept dry overnight. Redland Roofing Cardiff leave roofs watertight at the end of every working day and give a clear timeline before starting. How long does a roof last in Wales? Welsh rain, coastal winds and freeze-thaw cycles all shorten roof life. A well-installed concrete or clay tile roof can last 40 to 60 years with maintenance, and good slate can outlast the building. Felt flat roofs tend to last 10 to 15 years, while EPDM rubber, which Redland Roofing Cardiff specialise in, can last 25 to 30 years or more. What usually causes a roof to leak? The most common culprits on Cardiff homes are slipped or missing tiles, cracked flashing around chimneys, blocked gutters, worn valleys and failed lead joints. On extensions and garages, flat roofs often leak where the surface has cracked or a joint has opened. Redland Roofing Cardiff trace the source first so you only pay to fix the

real problem. Do I need planning permission to replace my roof in Cardiff? A like-for-like replacement on a standard house usually falls under permitted development. In conservation areas such as Pontcanna, parts of Roath and Llandaff, on listed buildings, or if you are changing materials, you may need consent from Cardiff Council. Redland Roofing Cardiff can advise on this during the free assessment. How quickly can a roofer come out in an emergency? Redland Roofing Cardiff run a 24/7 emergency service across Cardiff and South East Wales for storm damage and sudden leaks. The aim is to get someone to you as quickly as possible and make the roof watertight. Call 07884 013048 at any time of day or night. How long does a full roof replacement take? A standard terraced or semi-detached house in Cardiff typically takes 2 to 4 days, weather permitting. Larger detached homes, such as many in Cyncoed and Lisvane, or roofs with complex shapes usually take 4 to 7 days. Redland Roofing Cardiff confirm the timeline in writing before work begins.