

# Doug Cocker - sculpture & drawings, 1987-1995.

## Talbot Rice Gallery - Douglas Cocker Sculptures for Sale



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### Doug Cocker: interview

For me, in a rural situation, it has always been easy to access, is comparatively cheap and, above all, it allows for a reasonably fast realisation of ideas.

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They also exude the movement one experiences listening to music and sometimes the dynamism of Futurist painting. One sculpture will be linear and spatial, and the other emphasising texture and surface. JMcK: Boxed sculptures form an important part of your oeuvre and they are at once closed, magical and stage-like.

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For example, in an earlier work of the mid-eighties *Beneath the Screaming Eagle*, the ultimate symbol of material status and security - the house, is enclosed from above by an encircling barrier that throws a protective, but ominously imprisoning shadow on all below. This is most acutely observed in one of Cocker's major works, *State of the Nation*, where hollow chauvinism is underlined by the unstable rocking-horse base on which the classical temple of social order and national pride is precariously placed. Although I sell occasionally, my studio work has never really had much commercial viability.

### Loch Lomond National Park Memorial Sculpture, Loch Lomond

At the time of its creation, management of the Memorial Park was entrusted to the NTS, Forestry Commission and the now defunct Scottish Office. Like the work of the best of his peers, such as Cragg and Woodrow, Cocker's sculpture is political in the broadest sense of the word. These were particularly testing things to work on as they require simultaneous engagement with so many elements: colour, texture, tone, both real and applied, solid, space, proportion, and so on, all within, not an image, but an object.

### Doug Cocker

His artworks explore craftsmanship and the roles of sculpture in our modern society.

## **Doug Cocker: interview**

Doug Cocker is a contemporary sculptor based in Scotland whose work is often strongly inspired by the natural and built landscape. The power of his most successful sculptures lies in their truly metamorphic nature, which keeps their shifting significance and allusive meaning continually open to interpretation. Sketchbook drawing also offers a directness and freedom that is in contrast to sculpture and employs a wide range of materials: marker pens, pencils, highlighters, pen and ink, house paint.

## **Douglas Cocker Sculptures for Sale**

You must be 18 years or over and be a UK resident and can apply via Gallery Heinzel, one of the network of over 300 UK galleries supporting the scheme. Fast Landscapes assert the language of the elements: wind, the sea, a notion of the cycles of life and eternity.

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