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## These are the cookies we use and why:

Cookies We Use	Why We Use Them
Google Analytics cookies ( _ga)	To monitor traffic levels, search queries and visits to the website. These cookies enable Google to determine whether you are a return visitor to the site, and to track the pages that you visit during your session.

For more information on Google Analytics, please see https://developers.google.com/analytics/resources/concepts/gaConceptsCookies

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These cookies are likely to be analytical/performance cookies or targeting cookies. Advertisers for example sometimes use their own cookies to provide you with targeted advertising.

To deactivate the use of third-party advertising cookies, you may visit the settings or preferences page to manage the use of these types of cookies.

## Can you block cookies?

In order to store cookies on your device, website owners must now have your consent. Therefore, you agree to our use of cookies when confirming your agreement on our websites home page. You can withdraw your consent for us to use cookies at any time. In addition to you informing us you no longer wish for us to use cookies; you can disable them by changing the settings on your browser.

If you want to delete any cookies that are already on your computer, please refer to the help and support area on your internet browser for instructions on how to locate the file or directory that stores cookies.

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# **More Information**

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