EDF Energy LONDON EYE



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Client :

EDF Energy London Eye, Merlin Entertainments Group Ltd

Contractor : Tufts Flooring

Sector : Leisure & Hospitality

Product : Opus Rubra (WP316)

Area : 600m² As one of London's top tourist attractions, the EDF Energy London Eye welcomes approximately 3.5 million customers a year. During the recent ticket concourse refurbishment Merlin Entertainments Group were looking for a floor that was contemporary, cost effective and above all could withstand the demand of heavy footfall. They selected Karndean's latest portfolio addition, a commercially focused range of design floor coverings called Opus; specifically developed to meet the needs of the commercial market.

Karndean's Opus commercial flooring is quick to install, easy to keep clean and most importantly, offers highly durable wear layers to cope with even the busiest of tourist destinations.

"The ease of installation and the durability of the Karndean Opus flooring range was an important factor for us to consider". Said Davey Barrett, Show Services Manager for the EDF Energy London Eye.

To cut down on the time the ticket concourse was closed to the public, the floor refurbishment had to take place very quickly; 600m² was laid in 4 days.

The dark wood effect Karndean Opus flooring Rubra WP316 was chosen to complement the stylish fittings and was laid in contrasting patterns to establish separate zones across the room. In order to protect the listed buildings original floor, the Karndean was laid on the subfloor Versilay. Which is a quick and easy floor preparation system that has acoustic and thermal insulation properties.

Davey continued: "We are very pleased with the floor, it looks fantastic, can withstand the daily tourist traffic and cleans up easily at the end of the day".

MG Group Interiors BOOTLE, MERSEYSIDE



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Client : MG Group Interiors

Contractor : MG Group Interiors

Sector : Office

Product : Opus, Ombra (SP114) Opus, Urbus (SP213)

Area : 90m² When considering the choice of flooring for office interiors, specifiers need to find a floor covering that looks stylish and is practical. MG Group Interiors in Merseyside recently specified Karndean's latest portfolio addition, a commercially focused range of design floor coverings called Opus; specifically developed to meet the needs of the commercial market.

MG Group Interiors in Merseyside are specialists in offering commercial clients a complete interior solution. They have over 25 years of experience of commercial, retail, leisure, healthcare and education markets.

As a result of expansion, MG Group Interiors have relocated to a new state of the art office on the Vesty Business Park in Bootle, Merseyside. When designing the office space they needed to create an impressive stylish office to demonstrate to their clients what their company could achieve.

To complement the contemporary interior fittings Darren Congdon, MG Group Interior designer choose Karndean flooring from the commercial Opus range. When considering the choice of flooring, Darren was looking for a stone effect floor covering that was both aesthetically pleasing and practical. He choose a travertine tile effect Urbus (SP213) for the washrooms and slate effect Ombra (SP114) for the ground floor reception area, corridors, kitchen and breakout area.

Darren said "MG Group Interiors have been really impressed with the stylish aesthetics and the overall quality of the Karndean Opus flooring range. We were very conscious of the durability given that it was specified in the reception area and corridors. The slip resistance and the 0.55mm wear layer was an important factor to us, especially as the corridor goes from the front of the building to the warehouse. We have found that the flooring has been extremely durable, has exceeded expectations and are now very confident to specify Opus for client's future projects".

Angelic Rebels Salon KINGSTON-UPON-THAMES





Client :

Angelic Rebels, Hair Salon and Beauty Rooms

Contractor : Winton Flooring Ltd

Sector : Leisure & Hospitality

Product : Art Select, Oak Premier, Midnight Oak (HCO6)

Area : 110m²

When it comes to choosing flooring for a leisure environment such as beauty salons, specifiers need to strike a balance between practical considerations and aesthetics.

With bold interior design, hair and beauty outlets need a floor covering that is tough enough to withstand footfall, whilst not looking out of place next to trend-led interior schemes.

Boutique hair and beauty salon, Angelic Rebels found the perfect solution for its new Kingston-upon-Thames store with dramatic dark wood effect flooring from Karndean's new premium range, Oak Premier.

Hard-wearing and easy to maintain, Karndean's LVT ranges encompass stone, ceramic and wood effects that are sure to offer a colour and texture to compliment every kind of décor. What's more, Karndean's flooring doesn't have the joins and grouting issues associated with natural materials, making it easy to sweep and simple to keep clean everyday.

"With treatment rooms and a hair washing area we needed a durable floor." Says Nicki Moon, Operations Director for Angelic Rebels: "It needed to be hard-wearing enough to withstand the traffic of a busy hair and beauty salon."

"Furthermore, we needed a floor covering that was going to compliment the rest of our striking décor. It had to be simply fabulous and add personality to the salon."

Karndean's Oak Premier wood plank effect flooring in Midnight Oak finish has a dark, textured surface that suits the salons dramatic colour palette. With more salons in the pipeline, Angelic Rebels plan to use Karndean's luxury design flooring as part of their ongoing shop fittings.

Bengeworth School EVESHAM, WORCESTERSHIRE





Client :

Bengeworth First School

Sector : Education

Product :

Van Gogh, Auckland Oak (VGW52T) and Da Vinci, Limestone (LST01) with Design Strip

Area : 80m² Ideal for meeting the demands of bustling school corridors, day in and day out, Karndean also meets with the specification needs of schools today. As the Government continues to provide local authorities with more funds for schools to invest into the maintenance and improvement of their grounds, attention is being paid to interior solutions that not only meet procurement budgets but high standards of quality, longevity and overall finish.

A case in point is Bengeworth First School, in Evesham, Worcestershire. A larger than average primary school, they decided to carry out renovations to improve the overall environment. When it came to choosing the specific type of new floor coverings, they had three key requirements to fulfil: natural finish, hard-wearing and swift to install.

Enter Karndean. Their hygienic, durable, quiet-underfoot and easy to maintain commercial design flooring not only offered a wide range of realistic wood and natural stone finishes, it was guaranteed to withstand the wear and tear that schools are subjected to on a daily basis.

The Van Gogh range was chosen as a cost-effective and time-efficient option, as the large plank sizes ensured that the installation would be complete in time. Limestone tiles from the Da Vinci range were also fitted into some of the other classrooms because of its attractive yet robust finish.

Ticking all the right boxes, the school's new flooring from Karndean has certainly received a gold star of approval from pupils, teachers and cleaners alike.

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Landsdown Villas



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Client : Storey Homes

Architect : David Coles Architects

Contractor : Westbury Carpets and Floor Coverings

Sector : House Build

Product : Art Select, Spring Oak (RL01)

Area : 18 villas, 1000m² The sympathetic and contemporary redevelopment of these magnificent buildings has been hotly pursued by purchasers, who are able to choose their interior finishes from a carefully selected range of products, from the finest of manufacturers.

For the floor coverings, Storey Homes looked no further than Karndean for superior quality luxury design flooring that would compliment the sweeping hallways and traditional Victorian architecture.

Karndean's Art Select range is specifically designed for the most aesthetically demanding of projects. Perfectly replicating the beauty, geometry and craftsmanship of real hand-worked timber, Art Select also features bevelled edges and authentic graining and knot detail for a truly original finish.

Gareth Jacob, Head of Sales and Marketing for Storey Homes commented:

"With such an illustrious history and bags of original design, we needed a floor covering that would combine the tradition of the Victorian architecture together with the contemporary redevelopment style we had chosen.

"Karndean's premium quality, hand scrapped wood effect flooring was ideal to suit the daily needs of a busy family, whilst looking aesthetically beautiful in what has been an exciting project for specification."

Redeveloping Lansdowne Villa's into a range of large family dwellings, Storey Homes chose Karndean not only for the stunning finish of its products, but for the durability and ease of maintenance that it can offer any new homeowner.

Gareth continued: "The Lansdowne Villa's cost in excess of half a million pounds each so we have to be confident that every material we use is of the highest quality.

"Karndean flooring lends itself perfectly to the redevelopment of old and new buildings alike and provides a character-full, practical and beautiful alternative to natural materials."

Gorgeous-hair Salon MONTPELLIER, CHELTENHAM



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Client : Gorgeous-hair Salon

Contractor : James Lambert Building Services

Sector : Leisure & Hospitality

Product : Opus, Atra (WP317)

Area : 100m²

When considering the choice of flooring for a hair salon, specifiers need to find a floor covering that is both practical and aesthetically pleasing. Ideal for meeting these demands, luxury vinyl flooring meets the approval of hair salon owners.

Gary Bullock, owner of Gorgeous-hair Salon, found the perfect solution with dramatic dark wood effect flooring in Opus, Karndean's commercial range of flooring.

Gary has had a fantastic 28 year career in hairdressing. He has put all of his valuable experience into his newest and most exciting venture, Gorgeous-hair, which is situated in Montpellier, one of the most attractive and fashionable areas of Cheltenham.

Gary personally designed the interior of the bespoke salon, which comprises state-ofthe-art technology and stylish Italian salon fittings. To compliment the fashionable interior design, he was looking to source realistic dark wood effect flooring and after a recommendation from a friend he visited Karndean's flagship showroom in Evesham, Worcestershire.

Gary said "I was impressed by the customer service at the Evesham showroom and totally sold on how realistic the products appeared". He continued, "For my latest salon, I choose a floor covering that was durable and enhanced the stylish interior. With heavy foot fall and frequent sweeping of hair, I needed something that was both practical and stylish, to complete the look of the refurbishment. This has helped me to launch the new salon venture in style. I'm really pleased with the new Karndean floor; customers comment about how great it looks and cannot believe that it is not real wood."

Karndean's wood plank effect flooring, 'Atra', has a dark surface that suits the salons high design finish. It is hard wearing and doesn't have the drawbacks associated with natural materials. This makes it easy to maintain and keep clean every day.

Karndean's product range comprises of natural-styled stone and wood effects, developed especially for commercial flooring applications. Quick to install, Karndean delivers class-leading performance for large commercial interiors with high pedestrian traffic.

Mecwacare Centre MALVERN, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA





Client :

Mecwacare Malvern Centre

Architect :

Glenda Roberts Interiors Pty Ltd

Contractor : Al's Carpets Framptons

Sector : Healthcare

Product :

Art Select, Oak Royale, Spring Oak (RL01), Summer Oak (RL02) and Winter Oak (RL04)

Area : 950m² Mecwacare has provided care to the community for over 50 years and recently opened up another residential aged care facility in Malvern. When designing this state of the art facility, a major consideration was providing an environment that was not only safe and homely but also exuded a level of class.

When choosing a floorcovering the decision was easy, the Art Select, Oak Royale collection by Karndean. This collection captures the essence of traditional craftsmanship creating an elegant and stylish finish. With Karndean floors however it does not end with design sophistication - performance is just as important. Its durability, easy to clean characteristics and 10-year wear guarantee are just some of the other benefits that contributed to the decision to use Karndean.