



**Client :**  
EDF Energy  
London Eye,  
Merlin Entertainments  
Group Ltd

**Contractor :**  
Tufts Flooring

**Sector :**  
Leisure & Hospitality

**Product :**  
Opus Rubra (WP316)

**Area :**  
600m<sup>2</sup>

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; 600m<sup>2</sup> 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".