

# Gainsborough Bath Spa Wine Wall

## Application

From its legendary beginnings around a thermal spring with waters that healed a swineherd prince to a magnificent Georgian playground that catered to both aristocracy and commoners alike, Bath has existed for over 2,000 years as a leisure and wellness destination.

The city and its stories reveal an intriguing insight into Bath and its many historical influences, all of which culminated in its global recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1987.

Originally built in the 1800s, The Gainsborough Bath Spa occupies two Grade II Listed buildings with distinguished Georgian and Victorian façades in the heart of the World Heritage Site. Named after the artist, Sir Thomas Gainsborough, the hotel is centred around Spa Village Bath and, uniquely in the UK, has the exclusive privilege of having access to the natural thermal, mineral-rich waters.

As a Leading Hotel of the World, The Gainsborough Bath Spa is YTL's first Hotel in the United Kingdom. Paying homage to its colourful history, the hotel is



designed by New York based Champalimaud Design to be welcoming, elegant, vibrant and social - a modern interpretation of a classic design which will provide a meaningful and enduring contribution to the life of the city.

The Dining experience at the Gainsborough Bath Spa had to make a real impact and one of the main focal points of the signature restaurant was to be a high quality purpose designed Wine Wall to display a selection of the finest wines.

After reviewing potential providers the contractor Galliford Try turned to Green Cooling's Feature Glass team to provide the Wine Wall working with a detailed concept provided by Champalimaud Design.

Garry Broadbent Green Cooling's Commercial Director commented, **"This installation sits well with regard to our objective of providing projects with an innovative and high quality method of presenting wine and meat, he continues, " Our Feature Glass range of bespoke display systems such as this example commissioned for the Gainsborough Bath Spa and also our Structural Glass walk in wine & meat rooms provide the specifier & designer with a unique combination of project specific design capability & application specific functionality."**

A complete service was provided by the Green Cooling Feature Glass team, from the interpretation of initial project requirements progressing through a series of design meetings culminating in the installation of the Wine Wall in the Spring of 2015.

The end result is a striking centerpiece Wine Wall that marries a stunning display with practical functionality. This high specification unit combines efficiency with a bespoke exterior design that encompasses differing textures and materials, which are in keeping with the overall design of the restaurant.

## Project Summary

**The Wine Wall alongside being a key design feature had to provide the flexibility to store and deliver three wine temperatures with a completely variable stacking system.**

This was achieved by utilising a bespoke display/storage system that matched the volume and presentation requirements of the application, all set within a very narrow and lightweight structure.

A three-door system was applied to the design, which then enables three independent temperature controlled cells to be operated and controlled which provides total flexibility in line with the sommeliers requirements.

Externally the Wine Wall has a finish combining Oak, Brass, Steel and Triple layered Glass with great focus placed on the integration of the various textures and finishes resulting in a completely bespoke Wine display system that fully matched the projects requirements.

The unit is flush fitted floor to ceiling which completes the aesthetic look of the Wine Wall and allows it to become a real centrepiece feature, presenting the various wines in a perfect situation combining practicality with bespoke design.

## Equipment & Services

- Feature Glass design support service
- Technical design and specification service
- Three cell Feature Glass Wine Wall structure
- Bespoke external finish, wood/ferrous/non ferrous
- Multi fit racking system to match varying bottle size
- Variable wine storage temperature per cell
- LED lighting system with total spectrum functionality
- Complete installation & commissioning service

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