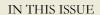
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Joinery Spotlight



The TOWER!!

New Scribed Fire Doors Bespoke Hand Made Ironmongery

Trafalgar Park Nelson Family **Ancestorial Home**

250 Sash Window Repairs New Library Jib Door

Woburn Abbey

Parquet de Versailles Flooring The Sculpture Gallery



TOL - Scribed Door Frame c/w Decorative Hand Carving

The TOWER!!

The Tower of London is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a scheduled ancient monument noted as being of exceptional significance. Historic Royal palaces commissioned Owlsworth Conservation to become part of the team to complete upgrades to the fire compartmentation of the White Tower.

Existing doors were found to be in poor condition and were to be kept and all elements of the project were specified to be low impact but in keeping. Owlsworth's Joinery manager Callum McCaffrey undertook a highly detailed survey of the openings and produced templates which were brought back to the workshop to allow work to begin.

The starting point for any project of this type is the selection of the most appropriate timber, and Owlsworth reviewed multiple suppliers to source the best quality oak.

Bespoke handmade ironmongery was manufactured in our forge by our blacksmith, with an interesting detail of the door planks being fastened together with hand forged rose-headed spikes, clenched over.

Due to the unique challenges of the chapels' 900-year old Norman masonry, a single size and design would not be adequate. Therefore a bespoke proposal was created for each doorway. All elements and details have been provided and fabricated by Owlsworth.











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Trafalgar Park

Originally gifted to the Nelson family Trafalgar Park is a magnificent Grade I listed country house located on the edge of the New Forest National Park.

A lack of maintenance to the property over the years has required most of the external joinery to be overhauled and repaired. Repairs to the 250 + windows have been extensive with these taking place both on site and where condition was poor, back at our workshop in Mapledurham.

The library joinery was dismantled and reconfigured to suit the new opening between the saloon and the library. Owlsworth were heavily involved in the design, preparing shop drawings, and providing advice relating to the stability of the sections. The completed project is both daring and in keeping with the property and something which really showcases the flexibility and skills of our joinery team.

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Woburn Abbey

The joinery works at Woburn are both varied and extensive. The initial aspects of the project included works to floorboards, new timber panelling to the green parlour and the huge Sculpture Gallery windows.

The importance of the original joinery and high quality of its manufacture has necessitated complex repairs which involve, as they often do on Owlsworth projects, keeping as much of the original fabric as possible.

Perhaps the most spectacular repairs were to the delicate and damaged Parquet de Versailles flooring. A highly distinct construction which needed painstaking timber selection to ensure the newly selected timber was indistinguishable from the original, plus delicate repairs which needed to be both robust and exacting. Ultimately the sections of floor were repaired, reinstated and French polished. This was part of the overall repair scheme which has left the Holland Library looking stunning.



