

A new centerpiece for the heart of London

In the heart of London, a new urban center for the city has been developed at St. James's Market. The bold design was commissioned by the British Crown, which manages the Crown Estate, the historically significant districts of London, Oxford and Nottingham.

The St. James's Market is a building fronted by an open square, which was taken as the starting point for revitalization of the neighborhood, located just south of the tourist hotspot Picadilly Circus.

The multi-storey commerce, administration, housing and culture buildings are connected together and represent the traditions and diversity of the English capital.

The facade with its curved elements and understated concrete bands is perfectly suited to the location's historic architecture. Unlike many large architectural projects in London,

this design does not impose its style on its surroundings, but forms part of the ensemble of buildings in the area, highlighting the location's historical significance. The focus is on identity and identification with the city and its challenges.

The use of a lot of glass in the area and especially the curved glass elements at the multiple recessed building edges give the complex a light and open appearance. Light floods into the building and in the bleak English winter months the parallel bands of windows shine across the entire streetscape.

St. James's Market was not the first Finiglas building in London or the British Isles. The high quality of advice and experience in supervision and implementation of complex large-scale projects by the Dülmen glassworks is also increasingly in demand in the UK, when facades need some more momentum.

In conversation with Finiglas at Glasstec 2016

In September 2016, Glasstec 2016 will take place in Dusseldorf. Every two years, the leading international trade fair is one of the highlights of the glass industry. Glass industry insiders are particularly excited for the „glass technology live“ special demonstration.

Finiglas will be exhibiting this year with an exposition of complex bending shapes and unusual design through innovative coating technology. Modern architecture calls for ever new solutions which can combine safety and aesthetics for individual requirements.

To learn more about the possibilities of curved glass, visit GlassTech (stand by Euro Glass, Hall 11 / D12):

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