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Exquisitely designed and beautifully crafted,
bespoke library from Mark Taylor Design



**Mark Taylor Design designed and created this bespoke library,
which can hold approximately 2000 books**

When leading British furniture designer and manufacturing specialist Mark Taylor Design was tasked with the brief to design a library, which would blend in with its surroundings, they instantly rose to the challenge. The homeowners were essentially looking for a seamless flow from their beamed and vaulted sitting room in their 200-year-old property into the new library and they wanted to incorporate a window seat in the design.

Managing Director Mark Taylor explains: “We have designed and created a great number of bespoke libraries and bookcases over the past twenty years or so. However, every project we work on is unique and this particular brief enabled us to consider creative design in keeping with a period property.”

The area where the library would take shape was rather cramped and initially used for storage so the original door to the sitting room was blocked and double doors were added further along the wall to create a more inviting space. One of the biggest challenges was to ensure the library would house around 2000 books comfortably using traditional materials. The room would also need heating.



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“European oak was our material of choice because this would not only provide a traditional finish but match the existing exposed timber beams on the ceiling. We installed a radiator under the bespoke window seat to heat the room and one of our favourite aspects in this library design is the lighting. We installed a slotted pelmet above the books, which allows light to shine onto the spines of the books; this not only helps when reading the names but instantly creates a warm effect across the whole library when viewed from the sitting room through the double doors,” adds Mark.

Mark Taylor Design has been creating exceptional bespoke furniture and joinery in the UK for residential and commercial clients for more than two decades. A bespoke library will cost from around £15,000.

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Notes to editors:

- For further information, contact Mark Taylor Design on 01628 486707, email mtd@marktaylordesign.co.uk or visit www.marktaylordesign.co.uk
- Mark Taylor Design creates extraordinary spaces providing bespoke furniture, cabinetry, specialist joinery and interior design.
- Mark Taylor Design balances functional planning with beautiful, inspirational design, creating unique rooms using the most exciting and innovative materials and finishes.
- They were recently shortlisted for the Living Space – UK award in the *design et al* International Design & Architecture Awards 2017 for the transformation of a living space into a stunning, bespoke Art Deco-inspired bar and relaxing room.
- Mark is the driving creative force behind Mark Taylor Design with more than 30 years’ interior, furniture design and manufacturing experience.
- Mark Taylor Design work out of their design studio in Buckinghamshire supported by their workshops in Wiltshire and Oxfordshire. They take on projects nationwide.

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