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With the renovation of the whole house, the brief for this part of the project was to completely redesign the master bedroom suite. Part of a Grade II listed barn, situated in the Cotswolds, the remit included providing an en-suite bathroom, separate dressing area and small work space.

The client required something visually exciting, which optimised views and space whilst retaining the integrity of the building and its history. Functionally, the design needed to deliver 21st century amenities and ergonomics, within the fabric of the original building. Aesthetically, the solution was to design a bedroom, bathroom and dressing area, with a rustic nod towards the building's agricultural history.

The inspiration for the en-suite space is a curated gallery of objects in a 'floating' glass box. This has been suspended above the master bedroom to maximise light and volume. Finishes such as resin floors, sheet glass, Corian and corrugated iron – requiring no or few joints – allow the space to expand into a gallery-style setting.

The objects displayed are either a contemporary take on a classic design, or bespoke items reflecting the heritage of the building and its surroundings. In the former case, features include the William Holland bath and basin, in copper and tin, and the Dornbracht rain shower. The latter includes the stable door, oak blocks and the bath rill.

Other elements of the bedroom suite nod to the previously functional use of the barn - the bed made from a locally-sourced oak tree and the steel staircase. All elements are beautifully executed to retain a sense of simplicity. The use of quality materials allows the building's volume and original features to shine through; the countryside provides a luscious context, through carefully placed openings in the building.