

# Malmaison refurbishing Dundee listed landmark to create new hotel

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Malmaison has announced that it is to refurbish the vacant Tay Hotel, a listed city centre landmark constructed in 1889 in the Scottish coastal town of Dundee.

Interserve, the international support services and construction group, has been appointed as main contractor on a refurbishment project to create the new Dundee Malmaison hotel. Works commenced in June and completion is scheduled for twelve months later.

The project forms part of the £1 billion Dundee Central Waterfront Development, an integral phase in the city's multi-billion pound regeneration of its historic waterfront, which will include the new £45 million Victoria & Albert museum. Around 150 full and part time construction jobs have been created thanks to the £15 million development, with a further 120 new jobs to be made available once the hotel opens.

In keeping with the prestigious Malmaison brand, the structure is being redeveloped to create an international standard lifestyle boutique hotel. It will comprise a bar/lounge area with whisky snug and wine cellar, a restaurant with a private dining room and wine tasting and 91 bedrooms and suites.

As part of the conservation project, Interserve will replace sash and casement windows and timber shutters, repair a feature lead dome on the building's roof, make good stonework, refurbish a feature staircase and cupola located on the stairs' landing and replace or redress Scottish slates on the building's mansard roof. In addition, the existing structures and fire escape staircase in the atrium were rotten and had collapsed. The company is required to rebuild these.

Scott Harper, Brand Director, Malmaison said: "We are proud to be bringing Malmaison to Dundee, a city with a great heritage and an exciting future with the Waterfront Development and the V&A museum. Working with our partners Interserve we are looking forward to restoring the former Tay Hotel to its former glory with of course a contemporary Mal twist."

Malmaison's new hotel in Dundee is due to open in May 2013.

About Malmaison:

Malmaison offers twelve boutique hotels in the UK, all featuring super slinky rooms and suites, with super-fast broadband. Guests can enjoy visiting the high-octane bars stocked with cocktails and bubbly within the hotels and can dine on the best local produce in the hotel restaurants (<http://www.malmaison.com/food-drink.aspx>), which include restaurants in Manchester (<http://www.malmaison.com/locations/manchester/smoak-bar-grill.aspx>), restaurants in Leeds (<http://www.malmaison.com/locations/leeds/brasserie.aspx>) and restaurants in Oxford (<http://www.malmaison.com/locations/oxford/brasserie.aspx>).

About Interserve:

Interserve's vision is to be the Trusted Partner of all our stakeholders. It is one of the world's foremost support services and construction companies, operating in the public and private sectors in the

UK and internationally. It offers advice, design, construction, equipment and facilities management services for society's infrastructure. Interserve is based in the UK and is listed in the FTSE 250 index. It has gross revenue of £2.3 billion and a workforce of over 50,000 people worldwide.

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