

The Distillery

London Hilton Bankside

Aiming to be the latest 'destination' bar on London's Bankside, The Distillery is located within the former site of a renowned 1800s essence factory, with this heritage influencing both the design and the menu.

Designed by Dexter Moren Associates in collaboration with Twenty2Degrees, the interior is industrial, drawing from the atmosphere of the surrounding area and featuring a mix of reclaimed materials and finishes. Exposed metal screens, bare brickwork, reprocessed tube station tiles and bespoke joinery all feature. Fabrics inspired by William Morris also appear and form a common thread, stylistically tying The Distillery to the hotel's restaurant, OXBO Bankside. A 'penny wall' at the entrance creates immediate impact and features coppers dating back to the 1860s. Amplifying the experience for a select few, space has been left for passing dignitaries and special guests to mark their visit by placing their own coins onto the structure.

The drinks offering has a focus on artisan gins and locally crafted beers, while cocktails are inspired by the heritage of the building, incorporating home-made aromatics, bitters and infusions. A range of sharing platters and bar snacks are also available.

"I'm delighted to be part of such an exciting new addition to London's luxury hotel and hospitality scene," says executive chef, Paul Bates. "Bankside has recently been through a tremendous commercial transformation and we have so many incredible institutions on our doorstep. I've always been inspired by British produce and our local neighbours such as the Tate Modern, so expect to see those influences in the menu at The Distillery."

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