

A signature of so much of MKV's work is the company's thoughtful space planning which achieves a natural flow through rooms and entire buildings. Hotel Royal Savoy is no exception. Directly on from the lounge is the bar, initially obscured from view in the lounge by the screen but then revealing itself as an impressive light-filled space. This is thanks to an imposing new double-height 'glass box' conservatory that has replaced an aging glass rotunda, which looks out on, and opens up to, the freshly landscaped terraces and garden.

To one side, a new cigar lounge spans the length of the glazed wall. With dark wood panelling, inviting fireplace and sumptuous armchairs the lounge is a quiet and deeply comfortable spot to enjoy a post-prandial cigar. Modern abstract artwork by a local artist and collections of books provide pleasant diversion.

Guestrooms in the Original Building

The 101 bedrooms in the historic building have been completely refurbished and updated. As befits the venerable old property, room shapes and sizes vary with bathrooms, bedrooms and dressing areas built out to tuck into the building forms. The new interiors are refined,

HOTEL ROYAL SAVOY

Interior design:	MKV Design
Furniture:	Interna Collection, Poltrona Frau, Ligne Roset, B&B Italia, Poliform, Cattelan Italia, Minotti, Cassina
Lighting:	Flos
Fabrics:	Kvadrat, Elltis
Outdoor:	Kettal, Emu

with subtle tones of French grey and dark oak, a modern Nouveau style rug on herringbone oak flooring, and classic furnishings by renowned manufacturers. Photographs of the Royal Savoy as she once was add and intriguing insight the hotel's past. Most bathrooms include both a walk-in shower and bathtub. Walls are clad in Perlino Bianco marble, and the floor, vanity and bath surround in anthracite stone while the shower floor is finished in hammered and brushed black granite.

