# Case Study Holiday Inn Chessington World of Adventures

## **Client Vision**

A new themed hotel at Chessington World of Adventure was being constructed by the Holiday Inn group. The Lapa Company was approached during the completion phase of the hotel as the outstanding requirement was the creation of a thatched main entrance canopy for the hotel.

## Why they chose us

The Alison Pike Partnership, the architects working with Holiday Inn, approached The Lapa Company to request consultancy services regarding material selection, and as this relationship developed the company was asked to source and install the solution.

## Our proposal

The roof area to be covered was approximately 200sq m. and thatch needed to be fitted around the existing steel Kingspan structure. After considering genuine thatch along with a number of thatch tiling systems, the client selected Endureed synthetic thatch on our recommendation.



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## **Project time**

One week on site

## **Materials used**

- Endureed is the market leading synthetic thatching system and is made from a PVC type material that mirrors the traditional African thatch on which it is based.
- The system includes eave and gable finishes which ensure the finished roof looks like it has been thatched in a traditional manner.

Endureed was an ideal choice for the Holiday Inn as it has zero maintenance, a minimum life expectancy of 20 years and a AA class fire retardant rating.

## **Design decisions**

The African-themed design of the build was preapproved by the Alison Pike Partnership. One key consideration in detailing options for the client was the fact that the thatched roof was to be laid on the Kingspan substructure and therefore did not need to be watertight in it's own right which made an Endureed covering the ideal material.

#### **Project value**

£35,000 - £50,000



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