



LA CHAPELLE

1910

CHRISTO LEFROY BROOKS
A CENTURY OF CLASSICS



As we progress into this new century I strongly suspect that the control of water will be by electronic solenoids like our dishwashers and washing machines. Taps will disappear and we will be left holding remote controls or prodding steamy screens.

Taps therefore as we know them today may have existed for only around a century and are perhaps destined like the horse and carriage to disappear into the mists of nostalgia.

I have therefore taken on the task of researching this century of taps and selecting the great classics from each decade. From their domestic origins in the late Victorian era through the mechanical angularity of the Edwardians, the curvaceous turn of the century French, the colonial twenties, the Deco thirties, the streamline fifties, the starry sixties to the nineteen seventies when it all seemed to begin again.

Each decade has been carefully considered and researched. I have visited many museums, countless salvage yards and been unexpectedly welcomed into castles, cottages and dealers' dens. It has mostly been a journey of joy. One develops a passion for the chase, unearthing sometimes at great length at other times in an unexpected instant these forgotten art forms of history.

But what does a true classic mean and how does a design become a classic. Foremost it stands the test of time, it is popular, a design which sold well in its day and continued to be demanded and of course it worked, it functioned, it did its job. Beautiful products, beautifully made, beautifully practical and still beautiful today.

All the taps I chose were still in working order, maybe in need of some grease or new washers but functioning even after in some cases a 100 years. These are art forms – sculptures not only for the eye but also for the hand – they look right and feel right.

This is of necessity a work in progress, first and foremost, because as you will see it did not stop with taps. Today we don't buy baths we buy bathrooms so ceramic chinaware, accessories, lighting, baths and showers had to be added to complete each period. There are still gaps in some ranges and new decades will be added as production allows.

In the meantime I offer the results of my labours to date – 'A century of classics' – the story of a hundred years of bathrooms. You are currently holding '1910 La Chapelle' – which is one in a series of eight brochures.

I sincerely hope some of the pleasure I received from discovering and developing these products is transferred as you use these fabulous classics of the last century.

CHRISTO LEFROY BROOKS LUCCA 2005

Opposite Page: FH 9000
La Chapelle Basin
Bridge Mixer
with Pop-up Waste

Finishes – Silver Nickel,
Chrome, Antique Gold
and Satin Nickel.

Below: LB4505
Soap Holder with
White China Dish



basin taps



Left: FH 1204 La Chapelle
Three Hole Basin Mixer
with Pop-up Waste Shown
with LB 7723 La Chapelle
Ceramic Basin

Right: FL 9000 La Chapelle
Basin Bridge Mixer with
Levers and Pop-up Waste

Below: FH 1208 La Chapelle
Three Hole Wall Mounted
Basin Mixer.

Finishes – Silver Nickel, Chrome,
Antique Gold and Satin Nickel.





bath



Left: FR 8630 Exposed Thermostatic Shower with Bath Fill (detail).

Far left opposite page: FH 1148 Bath Shower Mixer with Standpipes.

Bottom opposite page: FH 1140 La Chapelle Deck Mounted Bath Shower Mixer.

Below: FR 1146 La Chapelle Wall Mounted Bath Shower Mixer.





showers



Centrefold: FH 1156 Wall Mounted Bath Shower Mixer with Riser and 8" Rose (detail).

Top left opposite page: FR 8620 Exposed Thermostatic Valve with Riser, 8" Rose, Handset and Cradle (detail).

Top right opposite page: FR 8635 Exposed Thermostatic Valve with Top and Bottom Return Bends (detail).

Bottom left opposite page: FR 8625 Exposed Thermostatic Valve with Top Return Bend (detail).

Bottom right opposite page: FR 8610 Exposed Thermostatic Valve with Riser and 8" Rose (detail).

Right: FH 1156 Wall Mounted Bath Shower Mixer with Riser and 8" Rose.

Finishes – Silver Nickel, Chrome, Antique Gold and Satin Nickel.



Lefroy Brooks manufactures the range of white Metro Tiles seen throughout this brochure

Below: FH 1199 Mono Bidet Mixer.



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FH 9000
LA CHAPELLE
BASIN BRIDGE MIXER WITH POP-UP WASTE



FL 9000
LA CHAPELLE BASIN
BRIDGE MIXER WITH LEVER & POP-UP WASTE
(LEVER HANDLES ARE AVAILABLE
ON OTHER PRODUCTS ON REQUEST)



FH 1189
LA CHAPELLE BASIN MONOBLOC
WITH POP-UP WASTE



FH 1204
LA CHAPELLE THREE HOLE
BASIN MIXER WITH POP-UP WASTE



FH 1208
LA CHAPELLE WALL
MOUNTED THREE HOLE
BASIN MIXER



FH 1290
LA CHAPELLE WALL
MOUNTED THREE HOLE
BATH FILLER



FH 1199
LA CHAPELLE BIDET
MONOBLOC WITH POP-UP WASTE



FH 1146
LA CHAPELLE WALL MOUNTED
BATH SHOWER MIXER 22MM (3/4")



FH 1140
LA CHAPELLE WALL MOUNTED
BATH SHOWER MIXER (3/4")



FH 1148
LA CHAPELLE
BATH SHOWER MIXER WITH STANDPIPES



FH 1156
LA CHAPELLE WALL MOUNTED
BATH SHOWER MIXER WITH
RISER AND 8" ROSE



FR 8630
LA CHAPELLE EXPOSED
THERMOSTATIC SHOWER
WITH 8" ROSE AND BATH FILL



FR 8600
EXPOSED DUAL CONTROL LA CHAPELLE
THERMOSTATIC MIXING VALVE



FR 8625
EXPOSED DUAL CONTROL LA CHAPELLE
THERMOSTATIC MIXING VALVE WITH
TOP RETURN BEND TO WALL FOR
CONCEALED SHOWER OUTLET



FR 8635
EXPOSED DUAL CONTROL LA CHAPELLE
THERMOSTATIC MIXING VALVE WITH
TOP AND BOTTOM RETURN BEND TO WALL
FOR CONCEALED SHOWER OUTLETS



FR 8800
LA CHAPELLE
CONCEALED THERMOSTATIC
MIXING VALVE



FR 8801
LA CHAPELLE
CONCEALED THERMOSTATIC MIXING
VALVE WITH FLOW CONTROL



FR 8801 WITH FH 5000
LA CHAPELLE
CONCEALED THERMOSTATIC MIXING
VALVE WITH TWO FLOW CONTROLS



FR 1784
LA CHAPELLE WALL MOUNTED
8" ROSE SHORT ARM (400MM)



FR 1785
LA CHAPELLE WALL MOUNTED
8" ROSE LONG ARM (550MM)



LB 4520
LA CHAPELLE CLASSIC STRAIGHT BAR
AND BALL PAPER HOLDER



FR 1759
LA CHAPELLE
RISER CRADLE



FR 1762
LA CHAPELLE
WALL MOUNTED CRADLE



LB 4505
CLASSIC SOAP HOLDER
WITH WHITE CHINA DISH
(THE FULL RANGE OF CLASSIC ACCESSORIES
IS SHOWN IN OUR ACCESSORIES BROCHURE)



FR 2210
LA CHAPELLE
BATH WALL SPOUT (3/4")



FR 2200
LA CHAPELLE
BASIN WALL SPOUT (1/2")



LB 4525
LA CHAPELLE CLASSIC RIGHT ANGLED
BAR AND BALL PAPER HOLDER



FL 1530
LA CHAPELLE DECK MOUNTED
LEVER KITCHEN MIXER
(LEVER HANDLES ARE AVAILABLE
ON OTHER PRODUCTS BY REQUEST)



LB 3202
CLASSIC BALL JOINTED
CAST IRON RADIATOR
(THE FULL RANGE OF RADIATORS ARE
SHOWN IN OUR ACCESSORIES BROCHURE)



LB 3227
BALL JOINTED STAND
FOR LA CHAPELLE BASIN (72CM)
(THE FULL RANGE OF TUBULAR STANDS
ARE SHOWN IN OUR CHINAWARE BROCHURE)



FR 8610
LA CHAPELLE EXPOSED THERMOSTATIC
SHOWER VALVE WITH RISER AND 8" ROSE.



FR 8620
EXPOSED THERMOSTATIC VALVE AND
RISER KIT, HANDSET & RISER CRADLE AND 8" ROSE



FR 8615
EXPOSED THERMOSTATIC VALVE WITH WALL
RETURN & RISER KIT, HANDSET AND WALL
CRADLE AND 8" ROSE



LB 7703 WITH LB 7704
LA CHAPELLE THREE HOLE
BASIN (57CM) WITH PEDESTAL
(THE FULL RANGE OF BASINS ARE SHOWN
IN OUR CHINAWARE BROCHURE)



LB 8623
CHATEAU SUPER SIZE
'BIGGER, WIDER, DEEPER'
DOUBLE ENDED BATH



LB 7707 WITH LB 7708
LA CHAPELLE CLOSE
COUPLED PAN WITH CISTERN
(THE FULL RANGE OF SANITARY WARE
IS SHOWN IN OUR CHINAWARE BROCHURE)



You are holding one of eight brochures that detail the 'Century of Classics' Bathroom Range designed by Christo Lefroy Brooks.

The complete range of Taps, Showers, Baths, Chinaware, Accessories, Lighting and Components can be found in the main Price List.

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