

# CASE STUDY – *Swiss Re Project*

- **Client:**  
Swiss Re Properties Limited
- **Fit Out Architect:**  
T P Bennett Interiors
- **Construction Managers:**  
GTCM Kontor
- **Trade Contractor:**  
Stonewest Limited
- **Value:** £360K
- **Date:** 2003-2004



## **Description**

Known as 'The Erotic Gherkin'.

## **The works involved:**

- Specialist bespoke stone finishes to the bar and restaurant areas.
- Designing, manufacturing and installation of new granite and limestone floors, walls and staircase.
- Extensive stone selection in Italy to ensure absolute black granite only.
- Dry laying of Banc Neuf limestone to separate any material with any cloudiness to distinct sections.
- Flooring is honed to 800 grade grit for practical use in public areas.
- Spiral staircases include splayed steps, radiating treads and ramp and twist skirtings.
- Work is being completed on a sequential floor by floor release programme.