

# Thistle Hotels Announces Launch Of First Ever In-Suite Library

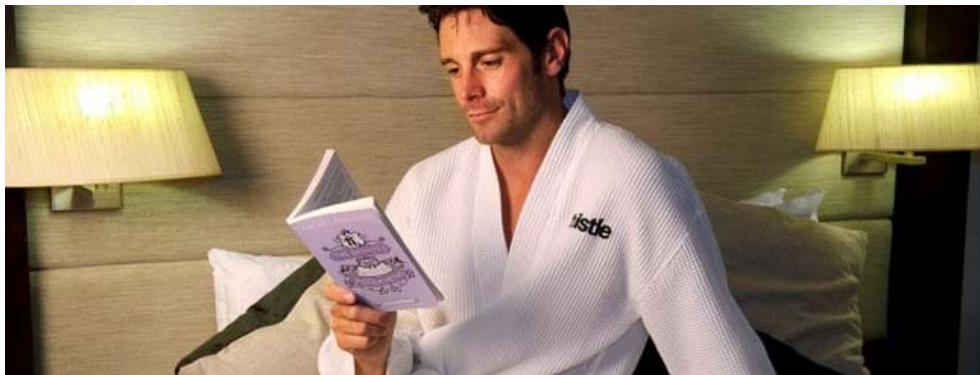


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Thistle Hotels' London property, The Kingsley is celebrating the 1st birthday of its multi million pound refurbishment and rebrand with the launch of its first ever in-suite library for guests. Drawing on its heritage as the former home of Charles Kingsley and the Bloomsbury set of writers, The Kingsley will offer guests staying in its suites access to an exclusive series of 'lost classics' brought back into print by local publishing company, Bloomsbury Publishing.



Guests partial to a book before bedtime will also be treated to a luxurious Thistle reading pillow and complimentary hot chocolate in each of the suites, with regular guests being able to take the books out on loan, returning them on their next visit.

Literary bloggers and authors have shared their suggestions of cherished books for the library with selected books available in each room, or a full reading list can be ordered free of charge from reception. Titles on offer include 'Henrietta's War' by Joyce Dennings, 'Love's Shadow' by Ada Leverson, 'Mrs. Ames' by E.F Benson and a host of other great classics from the early twentieth century.

The Kingsley from Thistle recently underwent a £10million refurbishment and restoration programme which saw the property restored to its former Edwardian splendour. Formerly called Thistle Bloomsbury, the hotel also

reverted back to its original name as a mark of its literary heritage. The refurbishment programme has seen the hotel transform into a stylish and relaxing haven in Central London, perfect for both business and leisure travellers.

Johan Scheepers, General Manager of the hotel comments: "We are incredibly proud of our hotel's heritage so want to invite our guests to share in our exclusive literary past and relax and unwind with one of the many great books available from The Kingsley's library. Whether you're one of our regular customers visiting on business, or a passing leisure guest, you should always make time for a good book so just give us a call and we'll deliver it to your door."

Notes to editors:

The Kingsley's library of books is available to Junior Suite residents or regular guests who frequently visit the hotel.

### **About Thistle**

Thistle Hotels is part of Guoman Hotel Management (UK) Limited which operates hotels throughout the UK. Thistle has 33 [UK hotels](#), many in superb city centre locations, including [hotels in Covent Garden](#), [hotels in London](#), [hotels near Hyde Park](#) and [hotels in Kensington](#). With a selection of restaurants and a choice of excellent health and leisure facilities, Thistle has something to offer everyone.

Thistle Hotels is the first hotel group to achieve Hospitality Assured accreditation, across its entire UK portfolio. Created by the Institute of Hospitality, the Hospitality Assured standard measures the quality within customer facing businesses across the hospitality, tourism and leisure industry.

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