When working on a conversion it is important for us at Acorn that we express the heritage of a building through use of existing features and building fabric, in this project exposing brick walls. We aim to maximise light and space in all of our homes, and as always we worked and reworked the plans, only stopping when we were satisfied that we had created the best possible designs.

It’s always exciting when we have a chance to re-purpose historic architecture, especially when it is in the thriving heart of a city like Bristol. Alliance House was the perfect opportunity to create cool and contemporary new apartments. It is a striking classical building of brick and stone with generous windows and floor to ceiling heights.

Our Vision

City centre life and style

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Located in the heart of the Old City, at the end of New Baldwin Street (now Baldwin Street), Alliance House was constructed in 1881 as the new premises of wine and spirit merchants Dunlop, Mackie & Co. Only a short distance from the firm’s original home on Broad Quay and built in the French Renaissance style, the building was described as “handsome and imposing – and commanding attention...” when it was completed.

From the open port directly in front of the building, tall ships exported Dunlop, Mackie & Co’s brandies, champagnes, wines, sheries, ports and whiskies across the globe. The business was sold to Bristol United Breweries in 1902 and the River Frome was culverted in 1938, beginning the next era of Bristol’s city centre.

Breathing new life into this historic building, the next chapter of Alliance House’s story promises to be just as rich and exciting as its past. This is your opportunity to be part of it.

A RARE AND FINE VINTAGE

With a thriving past in international trade, Bristol’s city centre has evolved over the centuries from a busy port plying goods around the world to an important local transport hub and cultural destination.
The city centre location of Alliance House means you can find everything you need on your doorstep.

Alliance House’s location puts a lively mix of independents within easy reach. Only a short walk or cycle ride away, do your morning workout at a choice of gyms, such as PureGym Union Gate or Workout Harbourside, which also boasts harbour views. If hot yoga is your thing, then Hotpod Yoga will elevate your practice with an immersive experience in its inflatable pods.

If you like to follow your morning workout with a well-deserved caffeine hit, great coffee is in plentiful supply. Full Court Press Coffee, on Broad Street, caters to the serious appreciator of the roasted bean, while Society Café, on the harbourside, also serves loose leaf teas, sandwiches, cakes and pastries alongside its amazing coffee.

You’ll be spoilt for choice if you’re looking for independent or unique places to shop. Urban Fox offers high class vintage clothing, curated by an owner with 25 years’ experience. Trading since 1743, St Nicholas Market and the Corn Exchange offer an eclectic mix of stalls and street food housed in historic architecture, including rare and collectible vinyl at Wanted Records, retro sweets, quirky gifts, jewellery and assorted clothing. On Nelson Street, Rough Trade celebrates music culture in its store, which also features a café, bar and live performance room.

For a different night out, get together with friends and head to Whistle Punks for the ultimate urban axe throwing challenge! Queen Square and Castle Park offer extensive green space for relaxing or a gentle stroll. From College Green, you can tickle your tastebuds at the always-popular Swoon gelato bar or head up Park Street to Pinkmans Bakery for delicious baked goods. You can also find irresistible art-inspired cakes at Ahh Toots, located at the bottom of Christmas Steps.

In a city made for cycling, you need a reliable mechanic. Ben’s Cycle Workshop will service your bike or teach you how to look after it yourself. If you’re looking for a repair, Cycling Position is a small bike shop and fitting studio, while Mud Dock offers a plethora of bike brands and workshops, while upstairs, there’s a restaurant/café terrace with unrivalled views of the Floating Harbour.

Finally, head to the Harbourside, past the M Shed, to Cargo 1 and 2, for a multitude of independent eateries, shops and more. From tapas to tea, botanicals to beers, there’s plenty to while away a few hours next to the water, as day turns to evening.
A short walk from Alliance House, BrewDog clashes traditional with modern and is host to hundreds of craft beers. The Beer Emporium, situated in the middle of Bristol’s “Beermuda Triangle”, offers an ever-changing selection in a cozy, stone-walled underground bar. Zerodegrees, a great spot for pizza, is also one of Bristol’s original microbreweries. Housed in a former yet futuristic-looking tram shed, it has been serving fresh, seasonal and specialty ales, wood-fired pizzas, mussels and vegan-friendly dishes for longer than most.

For lovers of molecular mixology (or cocktails, as we call them), Aluna’s anything-but-ordinary creations are served up with an extra dash of showmanship. If secret haunts are more your thing, seek out speakeasy bar The Milk Thistle, one of a number of cocktail bars from Bristol's Hyde & Co. Both décor and drinks will transport you back in time.

Far from the normal café/bar experience, Playground combines specialty coffee, craft beer and cocktails to great success: they were placed second in the European Amsterdam Coffee Cocktail Competition! Venture up Park Street for a raft of stylish drinking dens to suit every taste. Gin & Juice boasts a lovely bar, amazing décor and great customer service - and of course, great gin. During the day it also serves freshly pressed juices and healthy food. Or try sharing plates, floral cocktails and seasonal menus in botanically-inspired surroundings at The Florist, which pleases returning customers again and again with great service and a varied menu, from bottomless brunch to Sunday lunch.

Leave space for some culture too. The Arnolfini is an international centre for contemporary arts by day, and on a sunny evening, it is the best place to join everyone sitting on the harbour walls and taking in the views. The Bristol Old Vic, a long-standing Bristol institution, hosts incredible theatre and has a great bar and café in its recently refurbished full height foyer. And cross-artform venue Watershed offers independent art house and mainstream flicks, talks and events, as well as music, theatre, design and visual art.

This is city centre living at its best: cutting-edge workouts, amazing nightlife, cultural experiences, inventive eateries and even more innovative drinks. From Alliance House’s 19th century doorstep, you step right into the heart of the 21st century. Don’t miss out, be a part of it.
SPACE AND SPECS

Every apartment has been carefully designed to make the most of the internal space and is built with a high-quality specification. The contemporary homes feature wood effect flooring, modern white tiled bathrooms, fitted kitchens with integrated appliances and open plan living spaces.
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APARTMENT 201
Kitchen/Dining/Living 4.60m x 3.40m 15' 1" x 11' 2"
Bedroom 2.90m x 2.50m 9' 6" x 8' 2"

APARTMENT 202
Kitchen/Dining/Living 3.30m x 3.30m 11' 0" x 10' 10"
Bedroom 3.00m x 2.70m 10' 0" x 8' 10"

APARTMENT 203
Kitchen/Dining/Living 3.70m x 3.70m 12' 2" x 12' 2"
Bedroom 2.70m x 2.50m 8' 10" x 8' 2"

APARTMENT 204
Kitchen/Dining/Living 4.00m x 2.40m 13' 1" x 7' 11"
Bedroom 3.00m x 2.00m 9' 10" x 6' 7"

APARTMENT 205
Kitchen/Dining/Living 4.50m x 2.80m 14' 9" x 9' 2"
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Kitchen/Dining/Living 6.00m x 3.70m 19' 8" x 12' 2"
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Whether an urban apartment, rural retreat, coastal or riverside residence, new build or conversion within an existing building, our homes are intended to be a sanctuary, designed for life and without compromise. Each Acorn development is unique and created to reflect local needs. They are inspired by, and sensitive, to their surroundings.

With offices in London, Bristol, Cardiff, Exeter and Cornwall our local expertise brings a unique approach to place-making coupled with a design-led philosophy.

ALL IN THE DETAIL

Specification

KITCHEN
- Contemporary fitted kitchen by Eighty2 featuring handleless soft closing wall and base units
- Compact laminate work surface with upstands
- Under-mounted stainless steel sink
- Integrated appliances by Caple to include:
  - Fridge, Freezer
  - Ceramic hob with extractor
  - Combination oven & microwave
  - Dishwasher

SHOWER ROOM
- Full shower enclosure
- Wash hand basin and WC with soft close seat
- Contemporary brassware with chrome mixer taps
- Thermostatically controlled shower
- Composite stone vanity tops

FLOORING AND FINISHING TOUCHES
- Karndean flooring to hallway, living area, shower room and kitchen
- Tiling to shower room
- Carpet to bedroom
- Matt emulsion painted walls and ceilings
- Contemporary ironmongery

MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL FITTINGS
- Electric panel radiators
- Ladder style heated towel rail to shower room
- TV/sat/Sky+ (by subscription)
- Wall lights & downlights
- Shaver socket to shower room
- Plumbing for washer/dryer in store cupboard
- Electric hot water system

COMMUNAL AREAS
- Communal bin store
- Post boxes located in main entrance
- Secure bike store
- Lift

SECURITY
- Mains operated smoke and fire alarm with battery backup and sprinkler system
- Video-entry system

MANAGEMENT COMPANY
- Appointed local management company to maintain all communal areas, instruct maintenance contracts on communal facilities and manage communal stores, bins and lighting

PEACE OF MIND
- 10 year Buildzone structural warranty
- 999 year lease

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