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BRILLIANT *BALUSTRADES*

BISCA'S *ORNATE BALUSTRADE*

This staircase, in a 1960s home, has been subject to a dramatic restoration. Replacing a traditional, outdated, dark-stained wood, which formed the balustrade and landing gallery, a hand-forged, blackened, ornate balustrade from Bisca, with treads relaid in pale oak, has been introduced. The striking balustrade has been capped with a hand-carved oak handrail with scroll end — a real focal point for the entrance hall. Bespoke Bisca staircases start from £22,000. (bisca.co.uk)



TG STUDIO'S *GLASS BALUSTRADE*

Constructed entirely out of oak and sturdy in appearance, Thomas Griem of TG Studio designed this contemporary staircase that bridges to the upper level. A library complete with reading niche on its lower level supports the minimal white staircase with clear glass balustrade — appearing almost invisible thanks to its frameless design with no handrail. The use of glass also allows light to enter from above. POA. (tg-studio.co.uk)



KIER TOWNSEND'S *LAMINATED GLASS BALUSTRADE*

This unique bespoke balustrade from Keir Townsend utilises strands of chiffon between sheets of laminated glass to create a contemporary divider-style balustrade which allows light to flood through. The metal fixtures that join the polished concrete stairs allow for the glass panels to be changed quickly and easily if desired, and the fabric can be altered too, making the possibilities for custom-designed laminated panels almost limitless. The laminated glass panels cost £600/m². (keirtownsend.com)