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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 '1900 Black' – 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.

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Above: BK 4502 Classic Black Fine Bone China Mug and Holder.

Opposite Page: BL 1220 Classic Black Lever Three Hole Basin Mixer with Pop-up Waste.

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

# taps



Left: BL 1517 Deck Mounted  
Black Ceramic Lever Bridge Mixer.

Below: BL 1228 Mackintosh Black  
Lever Three Hole Basin Mixer with  
Pop-up Waste.



Right: BL 8704 Exposed Black  
Lever Thermostatic Mixing  
Valve with Riser Kit, Handset,  
Lever Diverter and 8" Rose.

Below: BL 8725 Exposed Black  
Lever Godolphin Thermostatic  
Mixing Valve with Top Return  
Bend to wall for concealed  
shower outlet.



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





Above: BL 8717 Concealed Black Lever  
Thermostatic Mixing Valve with Sliding  
Rail and Handset.

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



Left: BK 4511 Double  
Robe Hook with Black  
Ceramic Acorns.

Right: BL 1151 Classic  
Wall Mounted Bath  
Filler with Black Levers.



Below: BL 5002 Shower  
Body Jets Flow Control  
Valve.





Above Top: BL 1250 Classic Black Lever Four Hole Bath Set with Diverter and Pull-out Shower.

Above: BK 4505 Cast Brass Soap Holder with Black Fine Bone China Dish.

Left: BL 1144 Classic Black Lever Bath Shower Mixer with Standpipes.

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



# classic black

Above: BL 8823 Exposed Black Lever  
Godolphin Thermostatic Bath and Shower  
Valve with Cradle and Handset.  
(Available Wall or Deck Mounted).



Above: BK 4500 Black Ceramic Paper Holder.

Left: BK 4507 Classic Large Bore (1") Black Stove Enamelled Towel Bar with Large Backplates (Standard 20" Length), BK 4508 for Extra Long 30".

Page Opposite: BK 7303/BK 7304 Metropole Three Hole Basin and Pedestal in Black with BL 1228 Mackintosh Black Lever Three Hole Basin Mixer with Pop-up Waste shown with assorted accessories — see index.

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

Left: BK 4513 Black Stove Enamelled Grab Bar (15") with Large Backplates.

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

# china blacks

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BL 1220  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER THREE  
HOLE BASIN MIXER WITH  
POP-UP WASTE



BL 1228  
MACKINTOSH BLACK LEVER  
THREE HOLE BASIN  
MIXER WITH POP-UP WASTE



BL 1224  
CONNAUGHT BLACK LEVER  
THREE HOLE BASIN  
MIXER WITH POP-UP WASTE



BL 1216  
EDWARDIAN BLACK LEVER  
THREE HOLE BASIN MIXER WITH  
POP-UP WASTE



BL 1230  
TUBULAR BLACK LEVER  
THREE HOLE BASIN  
MIXER WITH CLICK-UP WASTE



BL 1517  
BLACK LEVER BRIDGE MIXER  
WITH 9" SPOUT (ALSO AVAILABLE  
BL 9007 WITH 6.5" SPOUT)



BL 1195  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER BIDET MONOBLOC  
WITH POP-UP WASTE  
(ALSO AVAILABLE BL 1195 BASIN  
MONOBLOC WITH POP-UP WASTE)



BL 1461  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER BIDET  
THREE HOLE WITH ASCENDING SPRAY  
AND POP-UP WASTE



BL 8030  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER LONG NOSE  
BASIN PILLAR TAPS (1 PAIR)  
(ALSO AVAILABLE BL 8034 BATH  
PILLAR TAPS - 1 PAIR)



BL 1100  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER  
BATH SHOWER MIXER DECK MOUNTED  
(ALSO AVAILABLE BL 1166  
WALL MOUNTED)



BL 1144  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER BATH SHOWER MIXER  
WITH STANDPIPES (ALSO AVAILABLE  
BL 1145 WITH ADJUSTABLE STANDPIPES  
FOR MOUNTING UNDER BATH RIM)



BL 8823  
EXPOSED BLACK LEVER  
GODOLPHIN THERMOSTATIC BATH  
AND SHOWER VALVE WITH  
CLASSIC HANDSET



BL 1107  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER BATH FILLER  
DECK MOUNTED (ALSO AVAILABLE  
BL 1151 FOR WALL MOUNTING)



BL 1280  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER  
FOUR HOLE BATH SET WITH DIVERTER  
AND PULL-OUT SHOWER



BL 1152  
CLASSIC BLACK LEVER CONCEALED WALL  
BATH FILLER (ALSO AVAILABLE BL 1212  
WALL MOUNTED BASIN FILLER)



BL 8700  
EXPOSED BLACK LEVER  
GODOLPHIN THERMOSTATIC  
MIXING VALVE



BL 8725  
EXPOSED BLACK LEVER GODOLPHIN  
THERMOSTATIC MIXING VALVE  
WITH TOP RETURN BEND



BL 8706  
CONCEALED BLACK  
LEVER GODOLPHIN THERMOSTATIC  
MIXING VALVE



BL 8801  
ARCHIPELAGO THERMOSTATIC  
VALVE AND BLACK LEVER FLOW  
CONTROL (ORDER SHOWER  
HEADSET SEPARATELY)



LB 1771  
CLASSIC EIGHT JET BRUNSWICK  
ADJUSTABLE HEAD WITH  
SHOWER ARM



MK 1774  
MACKINTOSH 8" APRON ROSE WITH  
SHORT ARM (SUITABLE FOR CUBICLE)  
ALSO AVAILABLE LB 1774 CLASSIC  
ROSE - SEE PICTURE BELOW



BL 8717  
CONCEALED BLACK  
LEVER THERMOSTATIC MIXING VALVE  
WITH SLIDING RAIL AND  
HANDSET



BL 8704  
EXPOSED BLACK LEVER THERMOSTATIC  
VALVE WITH RISER KIT, HANDSET,  
LEVER DIVERTER AND 8" ROSE  
(ALSO AVAILABLE BL 8703 WITH 6" ROSE)



BL 8825  
EXPOSED BLACK LEVER THERMOSTATIC  
BATH AND SHOWER VALVE WITH RISER KIT,  
HANDSET, LEVER DIVERTER AND 8" ROSE  
(ALSO AVAILABLE BL 8824 WITH 6" ROSE)



BK 4502  
BLACK FINE BONE CHINA MUG  
AND HOLDER



BK 4505  
CAST BRASS SOAP HOLDER WITH  
BLACK FINE BONE CHINA DISH



BK 4500  
BLACK CERAMIC PAPER  
HOLDER



BK 4507  
BLACK LARGE BORE (1 1/2") STOVE  
ENAMELLED TOWEL RAIL (STANDARD 20")  
ALSO AVAILABLE BK 4508 LONG 30"



BK 4513  
BLACK STOVE ENAMELLED  
GRAB BAR (16")  
WITH LARGE BACKPLATES



BK 1307  
BLACK CERAMIC  
CISTERN LEVER HANDLE  
(COMPLETE)



BK 4503  
BRUSH AND BLACK POT WITH  
WALL BRACKET AND BRASS COVER PLATE  
(ALSO AVAILABLE BK 4504 FREE  
STANDING BRUSH AND BLACK POT)



BK 4511  
DOUBLE ROBE HOOK WITH  
BLACK CERAMIC  
ACORNS



BK 4512  
SINGLE ROBE HOOK WITH  
BLACK CERAMIC  
ACORN



BK 4517  
GLASS SHELF WITH TWIN FINE  
BONE BLACK CHINA  
MUGS



BK 4501  
SPARE PAPER HOLDER WITH  
BLACK CERAMIC  
ACORN



BK 4515  
FREESTANDING SOAP DISH HOLDER  
WITH BLACK  
FINE BONE CHINA DISH



LB 4506  
CLASSIC CIRCULAR REAL  
SPONGE BASKET



LB 4510  
CLASSIC SHOWER BOTTLE  
RACK



LB 4941  
CLASSIC WIRE CORNER SOAP DISH  
(ALSO AVAILABLE LB 4934  
FOR FLAT WALL)



LB 4000  
CLASSIC SINGLE WALL BRACKET  
WITH 6" OPAL GLOBE



LB 4009  
CLASSIC OPAL TUBULAR  
WALL LIGHT



LB 4004  
CLASSIC CEILING LIGHT  
WITH 10" OVAL OPAL GLOBE



BK 7303  
BLACK METROPOLE THREE HOLE  
BASIN 24.5" (620 MM)



BK 7301  
BLACK METROPOLE ONE HOLE  
BASIN 24.5" (620 MM)  
TWO HOLE BASIN BK 7302 ALSO AVAILABLE



BK 7304  
BLACK PEDESTAL FOR  
METROPOLE BASINS



BK 7208  
CLASSIC BLACK CLOSE COUPLED  
CISTERN WITH SIDE FLUSH  
(REQUIRES CISTERN FITTINGS LB 7299)



BK 7207  
CLASSIC BLACK CLOSE  
COUPLED PAN



LB 7242  
CLASSIC BLACK LAVATORY  
SEAT WITH BAR HINGE



BK 8623  
SUPER SIZE DOUBLE ENDED  
BATH IN BLACK  
L77" X W37.5" X H24" INCL FEET  
(L1950 X W950 X H610 MM)



LB 8625  
SET OF FOUR LEFROY BROOKS  
CAST IRON FEET  
AVAILABLE IN ALL PLATED FINISHES  
AND 'READY-TO-PAINT'



BK 3202  
CLASSIC BALL JOINTED  
CAST IRON RADIATOR IN BLACK  
H37.5" X W26.5" X D6"  
(H953 X W669 X D205 MM)



LB 4509  
CLASSIC TILTING MIRROR WITH  
BEVELLED GLASS

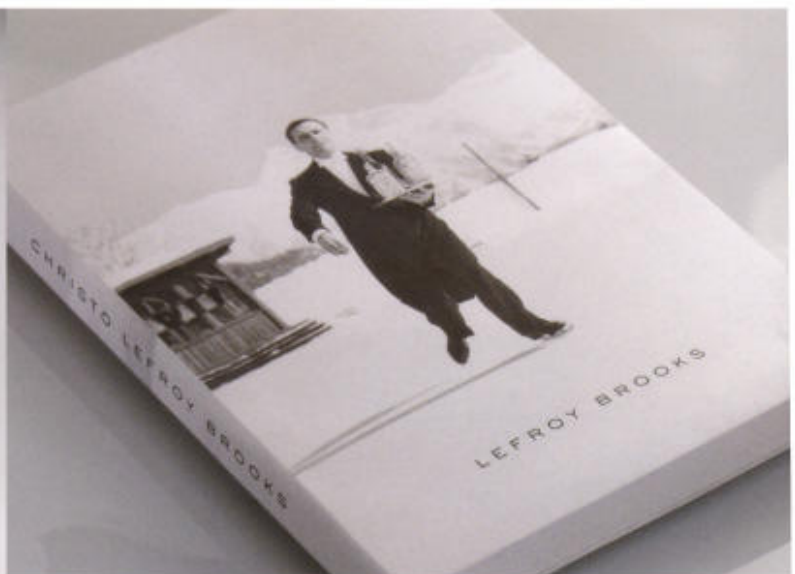


BK 3701  
LARGE CLASSIC MEDICINE  
CABINET IN BLACK



LB 4518  
THREE TIER GLASS  
SHELF

ALL PRODUCTS ARE AVAILABLE IN SILVER NICKEL, CHROME, ANTIQUE GOLD OR SATIN NICKEL FINISHES



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

The complete Bathroom Range of Taps, Showers, Chinaware, Accessories, Lighting and Spares can be found in the Price Book.

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