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Hakatai Specified for Upscale Thai Restaurant



For Immediate Release: The Tivoli series of glass mosaic tile from Hakatai is produced with recycled content and designed to add sophisticated elegance and iridescent sparkle to upscale commercial projects and high-design residential settings. Bass Studio Architects based in Columbus, Ohio, selected the Tivoli Black Gold Blend for the new

Thaijindesu Thai and Sushi Bar, a contemporary fusion-style restaurant in beachside Newport News, Virginia. Glass tiles from Tivoli sparkle in sunlight through oversized windows as the surface for an enclosed half-circle bar and two hosting stations in the lounge. Inside the main dining area, the golden iridescence in the black glass tile pulls the design together on an island-style service station that shimmers with color and shade variations in the natural light.

Boston-based Shawmut Design & Construction collaborated with in-house designers from Bass Studio Architects to create the design theme and select materials for Thaijendus, the second of Thailand native Prasit Khachenrum's restaurants to open on the Virginia Peninsula since 2002. The success of Pattaya Thai Cuisine in nearby Yorktown has the former Grand Hyatt Bangkok chef thinking national with Thaijendus Thai and Sushi Bar serving as his prototype for expansion. Here, the Black Gold Blend from the Tivoli series and its iridescent highlights sparkle in a multitude of colors over a black, mosaic glass tile base depending on the proximity and angle of the light source. This produces Tivoli's vibrant,



shimmering glass mosaic finish adds refined charm to the upscale restaurant and sushi bar space.

“We’ve been familiar with Hakatai for a long time,” said Tim Bass, AIA, LEED AP, from Bass Studio Architects. “We just did a really nice restaurant in Dayton with Hakatai products. We were looking to create an upscale, but interesting and fun setting. The Hakatai Tivoli blend was selected for its combination of color, sparkle and value. We were happy to get it on the project. In fact, we’ve already specified Tivoli for our next project.”

All tile in the Tivoli series is comprised of approximately 70% glass from bottles and/or other waste glass that would otherwise have entered the solid waste stream. This waste glass is a mix of approximately 90 percent post-consumer and approximately 10 percent pre-consumer material. The $\frac{3}{4}$ " x $\frac{3}{4}$ " glass mosaics are mounted on mesh-backed sheets for fast, efficient installation. The Thai Jindesu tile applications were expertly installed by certified contractors from the Restaurant Group at Imperial Floor Covering, Inc., a coast to coast network of construction professionals specializing in flooring.



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