

Antique brass

This is the hottest finish in radiator world at the minute.

Brass provides such a versatile finish option, modern interiors can have this luxury incorporated into the interior to glamourise, whereas a traditional interior most likely incorporating woods and stone mean brass blends in seamlessly. Brass provides an allure to the eye immediately and brings a timeless elegance.

Brass can work well with earthy tones or help accentuate other metallics, but also work well in darker colour palette offering the ability to stand out on darker backgrounds.

It is important to understand brass in all its forms, one of the most popular finishes at the moment being antique brass, we love antique brass, a brass metallic finish with dark brush strokes incorporated subtly to give a classic old world appearance.

On more luxurious ball jointed towel rails it is a finish that can be specified and that process to achieve this beautiful finish is in depth and often draws a higher price justifiably so due to the process:

The towel rail is first polished to a high standard

It is then dipped in a bronzing solution and dried

Next it is hand brushed to bring through the colour and lustre of the raw material underneath

Generally on accessories the antique brass finish is readily available too, we have Kingsley valves that have a luscious antique brass finish and matching wall stays and sleeve kits, so when looking to use this version of brass the look can be tied in with accessories.

Due to the finish being so aesthetically pleasing and also versatile with the darker brush strokes helping. Then it is quite obvious that people often wonder why it is not available on radiators generally (not just ball jointed towel rails).

Time, material and cost would be the paramount issues, often radiators are produced en masse and in mild steel, paint finishes are ones that can be applied simply either en masse or when painting individually without the need to dip, polish and manually brush. The process to achieve antique brass is restricted to brass as a material, this is not commonly used for radiators.

As always we are working with our supply chain to try and bring the finish in if it can be achieved but it is a big if, right now anything being offered under the guise of antique brass should be approached cautiously, you are likely to be buying a flat finish that has merely been named incorrectly.

