

DOMESTIC CASE STUDY

Kinemagic



Products to aid people with restricted mobility

Retired homeowners Malcolm and Rosemary Skelding from Doncaster took on the challenge of downsizing their property six years ago to oversee the building of a brand new home in their local village of Dunsville. The result; a charming former bungalow exquisitely decorated by former estate agent, Rosemary.

A ground floor bathroom with accessible shower was a pre-requisite for Mr Skelding whose ability to climb in and out of a standard bath is limited by artificial knees. The couple chose a walk-in shower with a standard shower tray and plastic seat which worked perfectly until a nasty fall in the shower led to the glass panel shattering. Thankfully all the glass fell outside the shower and damage was limited to the bathroom fittings.

The accident led the couple to re-think the showering provision and their research led them to the Kinemagic shower cubicle; one of the range of Kinedo cubicles from Saniflo.

The beauty of the Kinemagic is its suitability for people with restricted mobility. With a grab rail and fold down seat as standard, along with an all-important anti-slip shower tray, it lends itself perfectly to Mr & Mrs Skelding's situation. Complementing the couple's contemporary bathroom design the cubicle combines exquisite looks with the required practical application.

With direct help from the Kinedo team at Saniflo – down to recommended installers – the couple took delivery of a Kinemagic and have been delighted with it from the first use. Mr Skelding particularly appreciates the safer tray; which, he says, gives him far more confidence to step in to the unit;

“**I realise - since using the new anti-slip tray - that I was hesitant to access our last shower because the tray would feel wet and slippery. You can't see it but our new tray has a surface that feels like sand paper to the touch but is really comfortable under foot. It is exceptionally effective and holds on to my feet as I'm showering;**

I feel so much more confident now when getting in to this cubicle. The seat is also much much better – it's strong and comfortable and stows away when not in use and I realise now that I should have had a hand rail in the last shower. It makes life so much easier for me. Because the showerhead is adjustable I have now positioned it at the optimum angle for my seating position and it provides a wonderful shower. I could not recommend this solution more.”

Mrs Skelding, who has been involved in the property market for many years, was very particular about the overall look of the bathroom and so the design – as well as functionality - was all-important for her.

“**Just because we are getting older it doesn't mean we don't want good looking fixtures and fittings in our property. Products for ageing people can be so ugly. This cubicle is beautiful from the interior opaque panels to the glass door and aluminium finish. We are delighted that it is made in Europe – in France – and the build quality is truly exceptional. Our installers were fabulous; they were in and out in less than a day and left the bathroom spick and span. I'm so grateful to Saniflo for all the help they gave us. We've been recommending the Kinemagic to all our friends. It performs well, looks great and has really given Malcolm back his confidence back.”**

The Kinemagic cubicle has been designed to fit in to the exact footprint of a 1700mm bath so that installation is quick and simple and the bathroom requires no major alterations to accommodate a new shower. The cubicle is intuitively designed with the glass panels slotting over pre-formed edges of the anti-slip tray so that all water falls in to the shower area and out through the plug. No silicone required. It is supplied complete with grab rail, fold down seat, rainfall shower head and hand held shower, plus a hook over shelving unit.