THE 11-97 IMPERIAL

BIRTH OF A PROJECT

n August 2020, the Kozelsky Catering team, Mélanie and Fabian, discovered on Facebook the sale of a 1962 London bus based in Fribourg Switzerland. After visiting it, they fall in love with this vehicle full of history and decide to buy it in order to give it a second life. Even after driving more than 1.2 million kilometres as a public transport in and around London, its condition remains excellent. Imported by a family from Fribourg in 1995, this bus has accompanied them in their daily life for over 20 years. Displayed in their garden when not in use, it served as a bar at family parties, or sometimes even as a roof for the children when they decided to spend the night. It was put aside, due to lack of time, for a few years before crossing their path. It is now owned by Kozelsky Sàrl.



The 11-97 IMPERIAL was completed by the end of September 2022.







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SEARCH FOR PARTNERS AND SPECIAL TRANSPORT

fter setting up their ideas for the future of the bus, Mélanie and Fabian began researching who would be able to transform such a bus exactly as they wished. After several meetings with Swiss partners, it turned out that the best solution was to transport the bus to England, where a company specialising in the renovation of old English buses would do the work. The bus was therefore transported back to England by special convoy around the beginning of November 2021 to be renovated there.









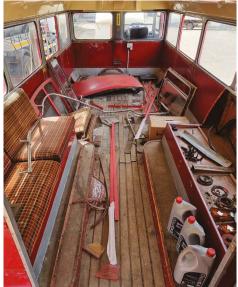
THE RENOVATION

AFTER ITS ARRIVAL IN NOVEM-BER 2021, THE BUS HAS BEEN **COMPLETELY DISMANTLED.**

pon its arrival in November 2021, the bus was completely dismantled. The mechanical part has been rebuilt, gearbox revised, engine changed, new brakes, chassis sandblasted etc.. Everything has been done to ensure that the bus can run as long as possible. Once the mechanics were finished, the roof structure was modified: the aim was to remove 40cm of height from the bus to be able to homologate it according to Swiss laws. Custom-made hydraulic rams were then added to raise the roof and allow future customers to stand fully upright on the first floor. Then the whole aluminium body was straightened, and in some places











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completely redone. We then had to choose the new colour of the bus, the materials we wanted to use inside, order the furniture, design and install a custom-made professional bar for the ground floor, install a generator to ensure the independence of the bus etc. Everything was thought out and supervised from Switzerland, but carried out in England.

After 2 years of hard work, the bus had finally made his return at the beginning of September 2022 to participate in its very first event and inauguration: the Foire du Valais 2022.





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THE FINISHED PROJECT

since September 2022, here are the various options for its use:

- You can hire the bus through the catering company Kozelsky Catering and organise an aperitif for your company or a private event such as a wedding. Kozelsky Catering will take care of transporting the bus to the desired location and will make you a tailormade offer for all food and drinks.
- 2. The second option is to rent only the structure. If a company wants to rent the bus, design it with their colours and use it for promotional purposes, this is possible. We have taken care to keep the bus as neutral as possible so that it is accessible to everyone.

We will take the time to analyse every request the bus has to ensure that the experience you will have with the bus is exclusive and unforgettable.









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CUSTOMIZED EVENT

Book the 11-97 for your high-end events and guarantee your guests an exclusive experience. Our proposals are tailored to your wishes and needs.

CUSTOMISATION

Rent the 11-97 structure and personalise it with your company's colours. Its unique design will offer curiosity and visibility to each product on display during presentations or promotional tours.

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