



Rackline have completed an exciting storage project for the University Museum of Zoology state of the art stores as part of a 1.8m Heritage Lottery Funded Project.

The University Museum of Zoology is a museum of the University of Cambridge and part of the research community of the Department of Zoology. The Museum houses an extensive collection of scientifically important zoological material.

Our senior designer and his team spent approximately 12 months working with Nicholas Hare Architects and the client team to complete the detailed designs. The client team included the store collections manager from each of the seven stores which include, the bird store, insect store, spirits store, vertebrate store.

Rackine used a number of products from our portfolio to satisfy the requirements which included Proform double skinned shelving for precious artefacts and books, Prospan shelving for larger and unusual shaped object, Longspan shelving for heavy unusual shaped objects and pallet racking for very large items such as whale skulls.

Smaller items such as eggs and small insects were accommodated by using glass top drawers, pull out drawers with plastazote and glass cases. Most of the shelving systems was mounted onto Multitrak mobile bases to mazimise capacity which included mobile picture racking.

A bespoke system was designed to accommodate the existing wooden cabinets and build shelving above – twenty four in total were provided and each store containing glass cages and taxidermy birds- loving nicknamed the 'Advent Calendar'.

As part of our ongoing support we will be working with the museum to replace their existing wooden trays with new steel trays over the next few years.













