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Architects: Bona-Lermercier architectes, Paris et Xavier Veilhan, Paris (artist) together with Alexis Bertrand, Paris (scenographer)

The castle and park of Rentilly near Paris, whose history goes back to the early 16th century, have been transformed into a centre of modern art. The architects, with the support of a well-known French artist, clad the historic building with mirror-polished stainless steel. Great care was taken to ensure maximum optical flatness in the sheet but also in the fabrication of the facade elements and their installation. Mirroring its environment, the building merges with the surrounding park.

Details

Environment: Urban
Fabrication process: Brake pressing
Grade and finish: 304L, no. 7 directional mirror finish (Meca 7D)
Material thickness: 1.5 mm
Weight: c. 27 t
Date of completion: 2014
Manufacturing company: Vetisol (facade elements) together with Baudin Châteauneuf (installation)
Material supplier: Aperam Services and Solutions Lusignan (MECACHIM)