



## I just want a plasma...

**Summary:** Plasma based home cinema installation  
**Location:** Derbyshire  
**Budget:** £2000

Mr B. had been thinking about a plasma TV for a while as he was renovating his existing house. He had plans to install the plasma above a fireplace, and wanted to use existing BOSE speakers and some older speakers from a previous system to create a home cinema set up.

He did not want a high definition set, as he spent much of his time abroad, and just wanted a simple system in his UK home to watch TV and DVD.

thinkingbricks visited site and advised Mr. B and his builder on the necessary channelling that would need to be in place for the cabling to be concealed once the walls were plastered. We made provision for the best possible (component video) connection to the screen from the DVD player.

The speaker system in place was powered from an AV amplifier, with 5.1 channel sound. We ensured that the Bose system was integrated so that the speakers could be used, and set about positioning the speakers for the best effect, and making sure they were discreet. Mr. B likes his music, so we ensured the amplifier would power his 2 channel set up as well.

The plasma was flat mounted to the fireplace, which used a wood burner, vented straight into the chimney. We ensured that excessive heat would not effect the screen and the mount was secured in place.

The plasma was not installed immediately, so that it was not damaged by the final plastering. Once installed, we tested the image for both DVD and Sky sources.

The client was extremely pleased with the final results, and the new surround sound amplifier (which was superior to his older model).

The install was given the final sign of approval – a White Stripes concert DVD which “sounds like I’m there in the gig!”.

**Final cost of installation:**

**£ 1995 including VAT and labour**



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The plasma installed above the central fireplace – once the plaster dried!



The small BOSE speakers formed the front speaker set up, look above the head with the hat – there's one of them

