"We succeeded in designing lighting that emphasised the qualities of comfort, relaxation, modernity and luxury within the building whilst respecting the historic qualities of the hotel" Birgit Walter of BM Lighting Design.

Background:
At one of the highest points on the Sierra de Collserola, with spectacular views over Barcelona and the Mediterranean, sits the Gran Hotel La Florida. Originally opened in 1925, the hotel has undergone a complete renovation, turning it into one of the most luxurious and spacious hotels in Barcelona.

The challenge:
The renovation was planned from the beginning as a grand project, whose principal objective was to transform an historic building into an exclusive retreat. One of the most ambitious challenges of the project was the lighting, which was designed to provide maximum comfort whilst simultaneously adapting perfectly to the structure of this historic building.
The solution:

According to the lighting designer Birgit Walter of BM Lighting Design, “the most difficult thing was the integration of the lighting concepts into the architecture and interior design as well as anticipating hotel intervention once up-and-running.”

The distinct needs of each area of the hotel and the grand scale of the project required the use of a large range of products. So, the simplest to the most complex Lutron lighting controls are found around the hotel in all the communal areas in addition to 4 exclusive suites. Lighting has been matched to each room’s uses and needs, enabling an excellent final result that’s in keeping with both the rest of the décor in this luxury hotel and its privileged surroundings.

The results:

The final result is the use of Lutron’s GRAFIK Eye, 4000 and 5000 lighting control systems distributed throughout the different areas of the hotel, creating optimum effects in each of the 80 communal areas and 22 suites. In the restaurant and club Lutron’s GRAFIK 4000 system was selected to allow staff to easily adjust the lighting to create the appropriate light intensity.

There are 4 suites in the hotel that incorporate Lutron’s GRAFIK Eye lighting control system. The aim is to offer guests maximum comfort by allowing them to choose between various lighting programmes as well as changing the light intensity, depending on their mood.

Overall the finished result is state of the art lighting control that provides the maximum functionality in this exclusive resort.