

HAIRPIN HEAT EXCHANGERS: TAKE THE CURVE, WITH CONFIDENCE

With Metalforms Heat Transfer's BROWN FINTUBE® heat exchangers as part of your process operations, supplemented by our full-service expertise during deployment, you'll realize demonstratable value through benefits:

Benefits

- Closure technology including pressures exceeding 10,000 psi (690 bar)
- External bolting
- Separate, independent terminal tubeside and shellside closures resulting in smaller flanges

DESIGN THAT DELIVERS

Hairpin heat exchangers are single pass shell & tubes in true current flow, folded into a U-shape ("hairpin") curved configuration. While multi-pass shell-and-tube designs require correction factors to account for co-current pass inefficiencies, the Hairpin design maximizes temperature differences between shellside and tubeside fluids. With fewer sections and less surface area, it's the most efficient solution when your process calls for a temperature cross in which the hot fluid outlet temperature is below cold fluid outlet temperature. When the productivity and profitability of your process units are at stake, you need to be able to trust you rheat exchanging equipment-and with BROWN FINTUBE® heat exchangers, we've built that trust on decades of proven performance.

Design reliability, process optimization, and configuration versatility combine with time-tested technology to provide higher heat transfer rates, efficient operation, and convenient accessibility for a variety of solutions.

Consider a hairpin when:

- A temperature cross exists, or close temperature approach is desired
- High-pressure applications exist
- $\cdot\,$ Cycling and thermal shock conditions exist
- High terminal temperature differences exist
- Seeking avoidance of an expansion joint
- The ability to clean U-tubes is required
- All external bolting is desired
- An augmentation device would improve heat transfer



ENHANCEMENT THROUGH ADAPTIBILITY

- Longitudinal fintubes

 can be cut-and-twisted,
 or used in conjuction
 with peripheral baffles,
 to provide an extended
 heat transfer surface
 with relatively low
 resulting pressure drop
- TWISTED TUBE® Bundel
 Technology simultaneously
 enhances both shellside
 and tubeside heat transfer
 rates and facilitates
 straight-through cleaning,
 while eliminating
 flow-induced vibration and
 minimizing shellside fouling
- Low Pressure Drop LOK-BAFFLE™ Baffles act primarily as tube supports for high shellside flow rates, low allowable pressure drops, or when the shellside coefficient doesn't limit the overall heat transfer rate
- Segmental Baffles are traditional baffles that can be used in conjuction with seal-strips
- Unique tube insert technology for vaporization and increasing heat rates



Features

- Counter current flow in separate shell legs eliminates the need for leaf seals, and mitigates the thermal leakage produced by shell & tube "F bundle" configurations with removable long baffles
- No need for expansion joints or bellows, unlike single pass shell & tube designs with large temperature differences
- Large radius U-bends facilitate thermal expansion and convenient cleaning

BROWN FINTUBE

• Same end nozzle location minimizes thermal stresses on piping

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