You can heat as much bench as you want. You put in a blocked direct connection to the chimney with a bleed, so that you can tune the bench if necessary. Normally I just use a loose firebrick standing up. Also helps with cold start.
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Wed, Jan 31, 2018 at 10:05 AM

JT,

We build contraflows with a 12' heated bench and a see-thru firebox quite often as long as the chimney is 16’ or taller you should have no issues. We use 8x12 clay chimney liners for the heated bench channels. Here are a few photo’s, give me a call of you have any other questions.

Eric
On Jan 30, 2018, at 4:58 PM, JTO jtomasonry@comcast.net [MHAmembers] <MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

Hi guys and gals, would love to hear any experience of contraflow's with full bench surrounds. trying to heat 28 foot of bench with a chimney from the bottom. Footprint would be 10’ x 4’ with the see-through contraflow centered but the chimney needs to be pushed to the outside of a wood niche to act as a warm backrest on the corner. So parameters are heated bench, bottom exit and a chimney spaced 2 feet away from core so you can see between core and chimney through a wood niche… Asking too much?

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On Jan 26, 2018, at 2:27 PM, jtomasonry@comcast.net [MHAmembers] <MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com>
Thanks for the input guys!

Jeffrey T

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From: MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com [mailto:MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Saturday, January 20, 2018 1:59 PM
To: Lars Helbro lars@stenovne.dk <MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com>
Subject: Re: [MHAmembers] 5 run

I built a couple five run see thru’s, Jeff. I think I had to adapt Doug’s plans for it. Definitely, check with him.

On that version, the firebox is layed in stretchers. Feel free to email me if you have questions. I think I have some construction pictures.

Steve

On Jan 20, 2018, at 11:59 AM, 'Dick Smith' execdir@mha-net.org [MHAmembers]<MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

Jeff,

Contact Doug Hargrave. He has numerous CAD drawings of Swedish 5 runs. I’m almost positive he had a see thru.

Dick

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From: MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com [mailto:MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com]
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Subject: [MHAmembers] 5 run

Hello to all, in the process of designing a heater, see-through, and want to do a five run contraflow and come
off the top with the chimney. Does anybody have recollection of one being built at wild acres pre-2008? I don’t remember one when I was there. I’m hoping there are some nice plans available?

Cheers,

Jeffrey T
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On Jan 19, 2018, at 1:07 PM, Boris Kukolj kukoljboris@gmail.com [MHAmembers] <MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

Max, Thank you for your post as this is an important topic.

The “dogs” or “ears” you have devised to attach Pisla doors to the facing are ingenious. If the angle iron material was a little thinner than the ceramic paper, wouldn’t it be possible to place them directly between the facing and the core? I would save having to cut a recess in the facing.

Boris

On Jan 19, 2018, at 07:04, Max Edleson max@firespeaking.com [MHAmembers] <MHAmembers@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

Hi all,

I have a stone facing for a heater that I will begin this coming Monday. I wanted to double check what best practice is for linteling over the firebox opening on a stone facing. The core has been completed with a jack arch with no steel lintel but I would like to use a steel lintel to carry the stones over the opening on the facing.

Yesterday I welded up a lintel with protectors (pictured below) like I have seen on some plans but two challenges it presents is that the metal work is about as deep as the trim phalange on a Pisla door which means the work is all pushed above the door trim and, perhaps more importantly, it seems like it would be much harder to get a good gasketed seal along the top of the door where it is most important. I might just be missing something simple… or is this style lintel only used on cores and the splits are slid to protect both core and facing lintel courses?

Anyhow, it reminds me of another good strategy, one I learned from Eric Mosier, of protecting the steel lintel and work above with a formed piece of stainless (also pictured below). I have one stone heater with several years of operations with a lintel like this with no issues. I like this option because it gives you a nice,
So, just curious if I might get some wisdom from the group about details and different ways they have addressed lintels when laying stone facings.

While I'm at it, I've been meaning to write a little article about a door mounting strategy that copies some of the Austrian/German styles I've seen and leverages that Pisla started including countersunk holes in their door frames as of 2-3 years ago:

Cheers!

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Max Edleson

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