KENT STEET APARTMENT

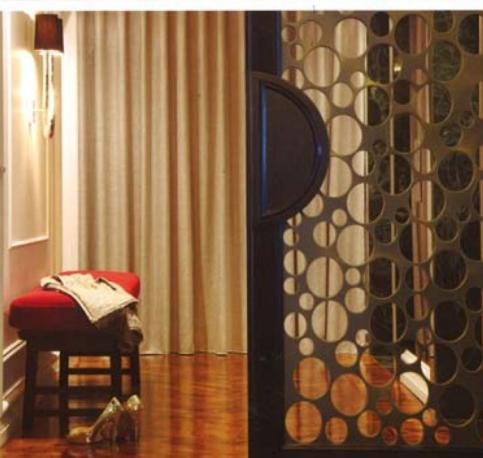
Manhattan style and subtle Art Deco design combine in this warm, welcoming inner-city apartment.















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"Great clients enable designers to create great results. The success of any space is equally reliant on the understanding of its functional requirements and the exploration and congruent delivery of aesthetic possibilities."

The unashamedly bold foyer has an immediate impact upon entering this stylish apartment, and gives way to a subtle but nonetheless strikingly theatrical home. The deliberately simple palette is continued throughout, highlighted by subtle lighting. The Graham Radcliffe sculpture is the perfect visual feature.

The new interior doesn't shy away from its Art Deco roots, but the injection of contemporary elements gives the home new relevance to the owner's lifestyle and a distinctly modern feel. Formal areas such as the living and dining rooms are adorned with luxurious materials. Silks, mohair, and polished and aged metals alongside waved leather, hides, European imported natural stone and highly polished timbers reinforce the statement these spaces make.

The hierarchy of sight lines balances the bold statements of feature spaces against the calmer, more welcoming living areas. The owners wanted to ensure that the space was welcoming and comfortable for friends and family, and this is achieved through materiality and tactile contrast of materials to suit each space.

Lighting is a distinct feature of the space, varying styles for visual interest. The pendant lights, the wall lights, the concealed surface washers provide unique and distinctive lighting solutions. The lights are also suited to purpose and can be controlled individually, offering moody, directional and specific light to suit the client's whims. The monochromatic palate works well against this dynamic lighting, and tonal variations and contrast maintain visual interest in the space.

There is purity in the furniture selections. Rich, deep reds provide strong visual notes throughout the home, offering restrained dramatic effect to the apartment.

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