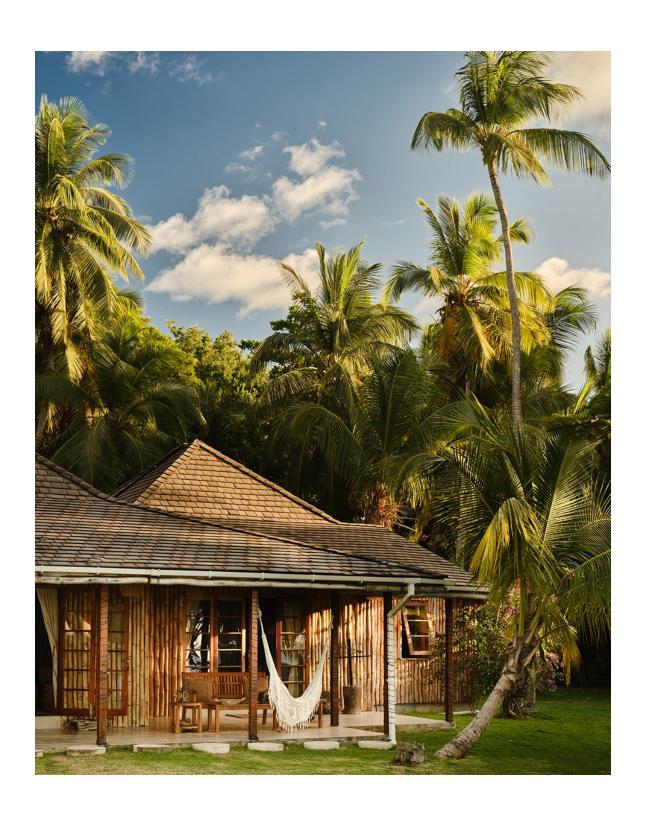


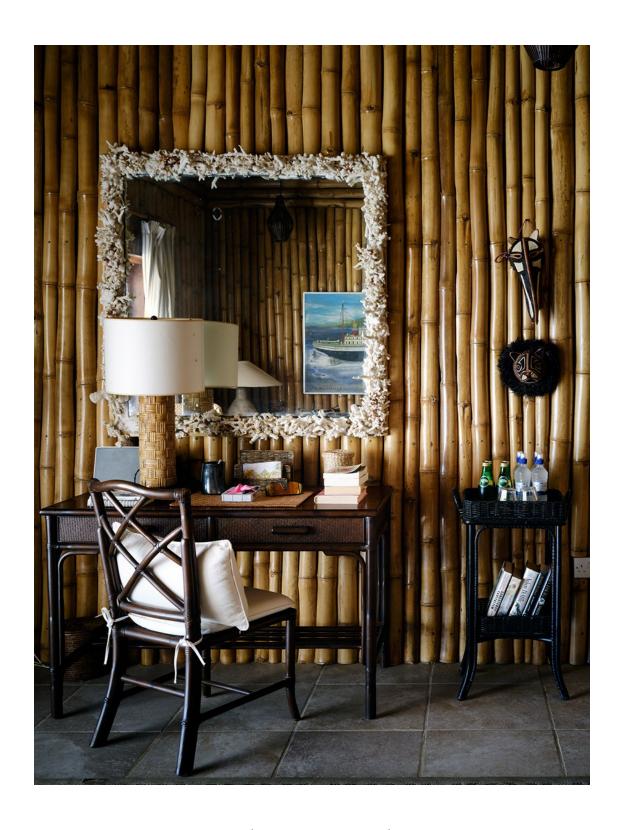
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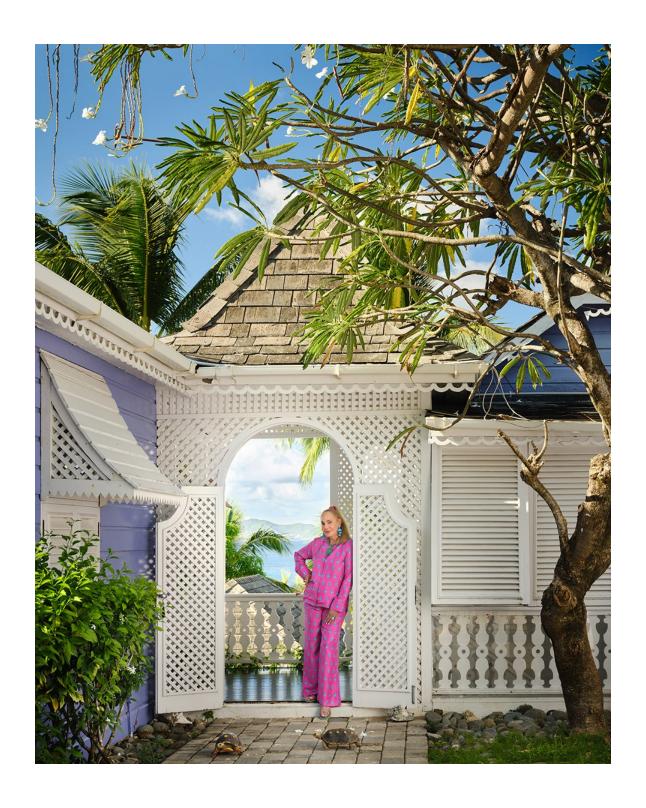
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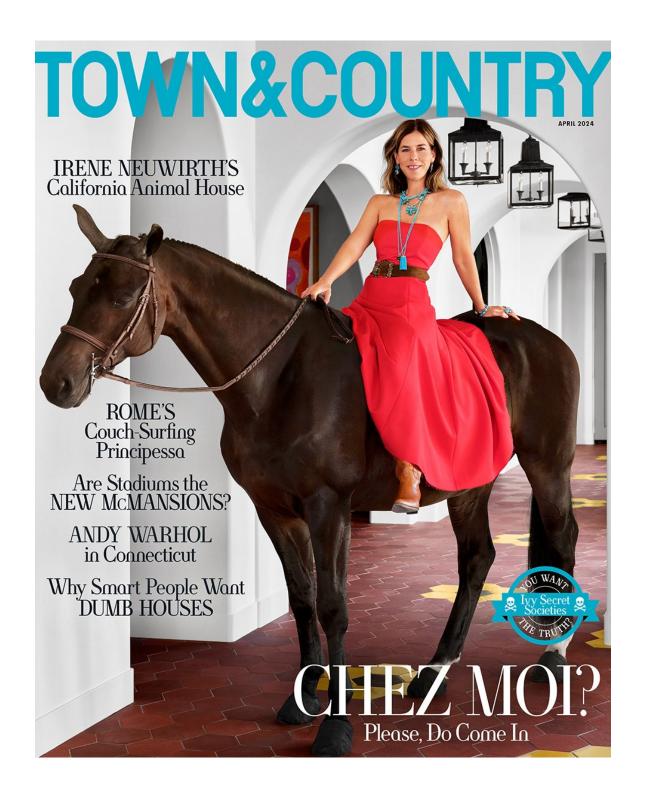
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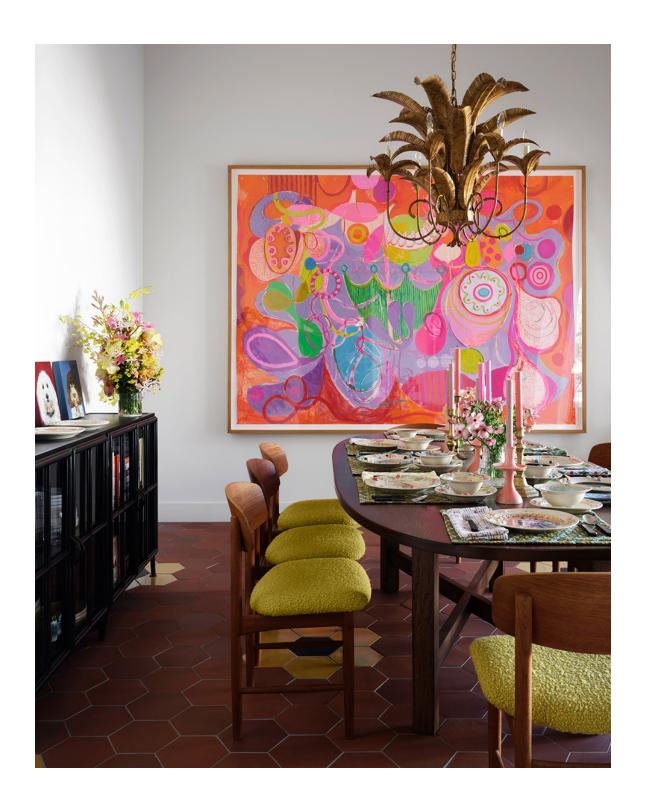
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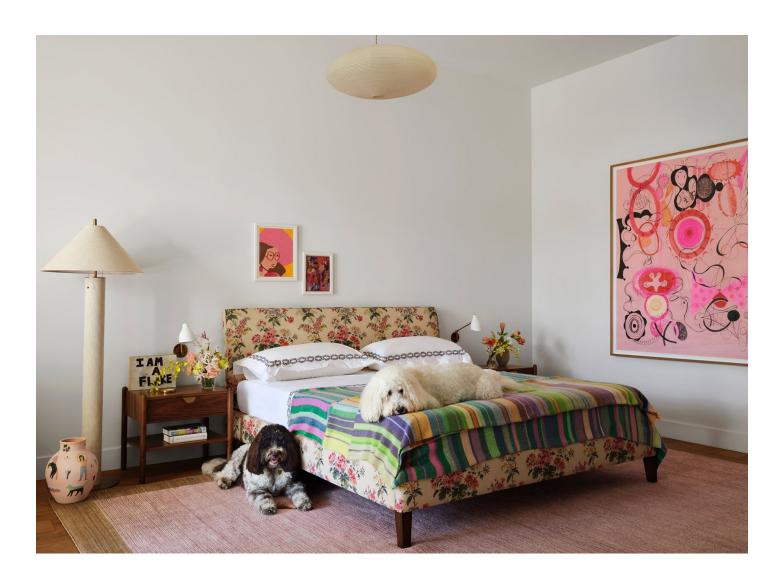
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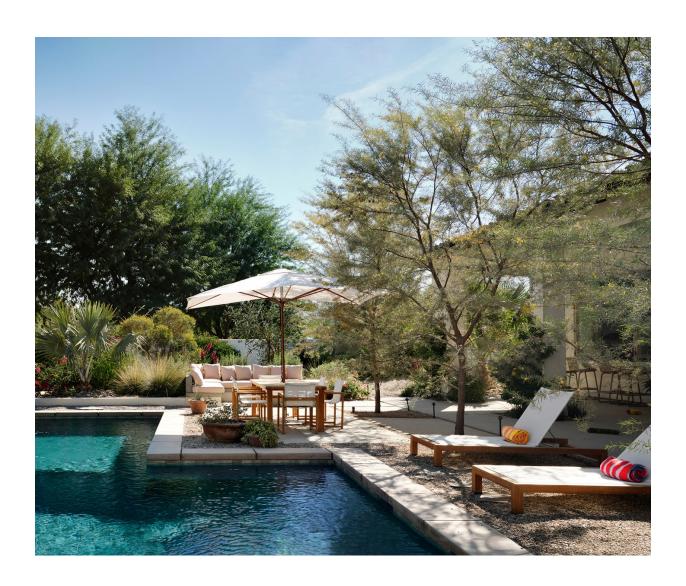
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fter buying 10 wooded acres on a steep slope along a creek in Austin, Mary Mandel and Jaime Delgado had to decide exactly where to put their Mandel says, explaining, "We wanted to be in the trees. We wanted to see

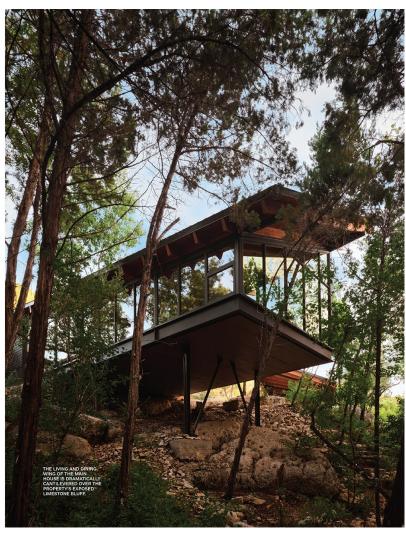
owls nesting on branches and red-tailed hawks bathing in the creek and bobcats chasing rabbits. We wanted to have an intimate relationship with nature."

But, Mandel says, "there was only one place where I knew we would be able to achieve that, and it was the most challenging part of the site to build on"-a limestone shelf, known as the rimrock, 20 feet above the creek and more than a quarter mile from the nearest road. Mandel, a California native, took a while to find an architect daring enough to help her realize her vision. "Most preferred a more conservative approach," she recalls.

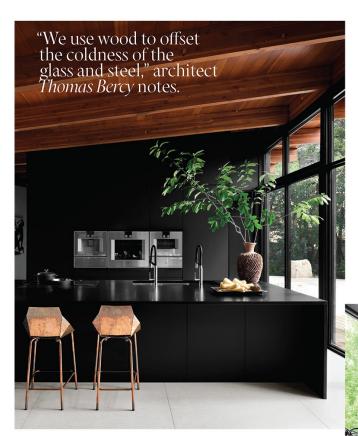
But then she met Calvin Chen and Thomas Bercy, who started out designing houses in Austin 22 years ago. Though they now devote much of their time to larger buildings

(including affordable housing), they continue to design single-family homes. The firm approaches every project as a fresh creative inquiry. "We provide solutions that take into account the site's constraints and its natural qualities," says Chen. This was just what Mandel and Delgado wanted. After hugely successful careers that took them around the world, house. "We didn't want to look out over the trees." the couple had decided to move back to the US with their son, Drake, 12, and build a home suited—aesthetically as well as functionally-for the next phase of their lives.

Once the site was chosen, Bercy and Chen developed a plan to break the 3,000-square-foot house into three main volumes. First there'd be a bedroom wing that would run roughly parallel to the creek, then a living-dining-kitchen wing that would jut out over it. The guesthouse, poolhouse, and office would occupy a separate building farther along the site. The buildings' terrazzo floors and glass walls with dark mullions encourage an outward focus, as do the sculptural roofs, which curve gently at one end and curl dramatically (in the opposite direction) at the other. Supported by glulam beams, each roof swoops down from 16 feet to 4 feet, creating architectural drama while also directing sight lines toward the creek (and blocking views of houses on the other side of the ravine). The architects covered the ceilings in Douglas fir boards, which they lit gently from below. Says Bercy, "We use wood to offset the coldness of the glass and steel."



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PULL UP TO A COUNTER TOPPED WITH
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BUILT-IN GAGGENAU COFFEE MAKER
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TRAY FROM SPUTNIK MODERN IN DALLAS. OPPOSITE ABOVE LOOKING FROM THE POOLHOUSE PAVILLION TOWARD THE MAIN HOUSE. OPPOSITE BELOW DELGADO AND SON DRAKE IN THE POOLHOUSE OFFICE.

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INSIDE THE HOUSE, nearly all the furniture was custom-made much of it by a crew of woodworkers in Turin who call themselves Studio F. Their pieces include indoor and outdoor cocktail tables that step down, as if mimicking the landscape, and a dining table made from a cedar log found in the Italian Alps after lightning split a tree down the middle. "Because of the big crack in the wood, they thought I wouldn't want it," says Mandel. Not only did she want it, but she made the table more attention-getting by having a 90-year-old Venetian glassblower craft its borosilicate glass legs. "The bottom of the table," she says, "is as beautiful as the top." The few readymade items in the house include chairs and barstools from Blu
Dot, a modular sofa from de Sede, and several pieces designed by Pierre Jeanneret for the Capitol Complex in Chandigarh. Fixtures include a bathtub carved from a single piece of stone. Local plaster artist Basil Bouris covered the walls in custom lime plaster in various hues. "It's got so much texture it's begging you to touch," says Mandel.

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The house needed a little exterior decorating as well. Veteran landscape architect Ciel Williams laid out a driveway that he says "fits the hills of the site like a glove." Then he created more hills, up to six feet tall, between the driveway and the house, giving the rooms the feeling that they're being hugged by nature. He covered those new hills with stipa grass, and he conserved the nolina (a grasslike form of agave) that cascades into the ravine, because both plants, he says, "heighten the experience of the topography." He also conserved 100 native red oaks while bringing in even more, planting some with their trunks 20 degrees from vertical, to blend in with the oaks that have spent decades twisting and turning toward the sun. "Nature," he says, "abhors right angles."

The pool, under its own curved roof, runs parallel to the creek and culminates in a clear acrylic "aquarium wall." A few steps down from the pool deck is a kind of piazza, which the family can use for gatherings of up to 200 people. "The property is too big and too beautiful not to share," says Delgado.

From there, the underside of the house is visible, so it is covered in Douglas fir left over from the ceilings.

Austin is growing explosively, Chen says, "and a lot of land is experiencing drastic change." That's why this project was meaningful to the architects. "It was a way," he says, "to explore how to coexist with nature."



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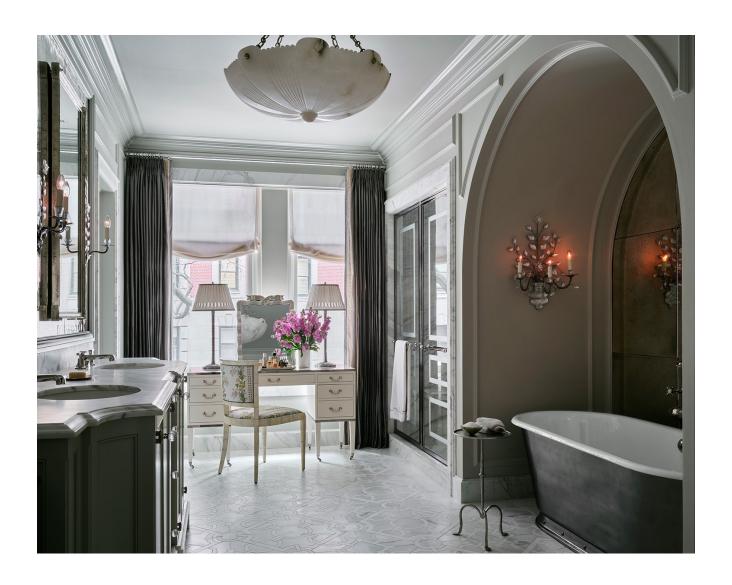
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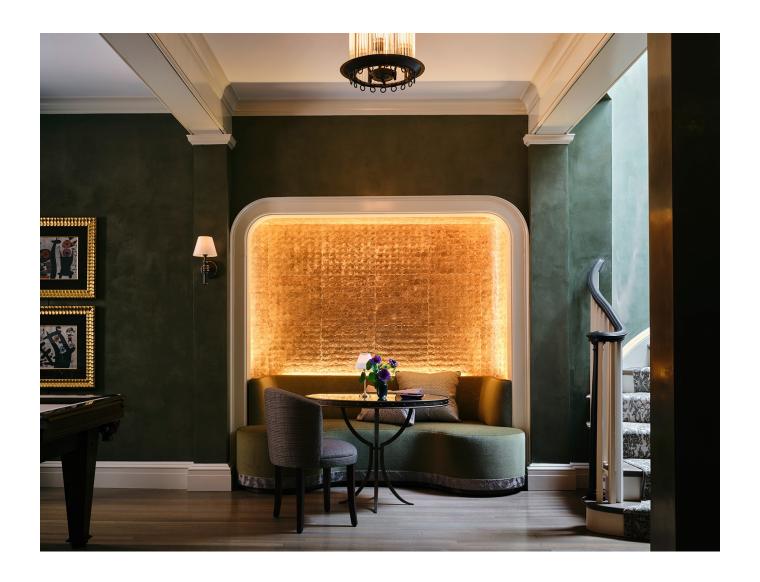
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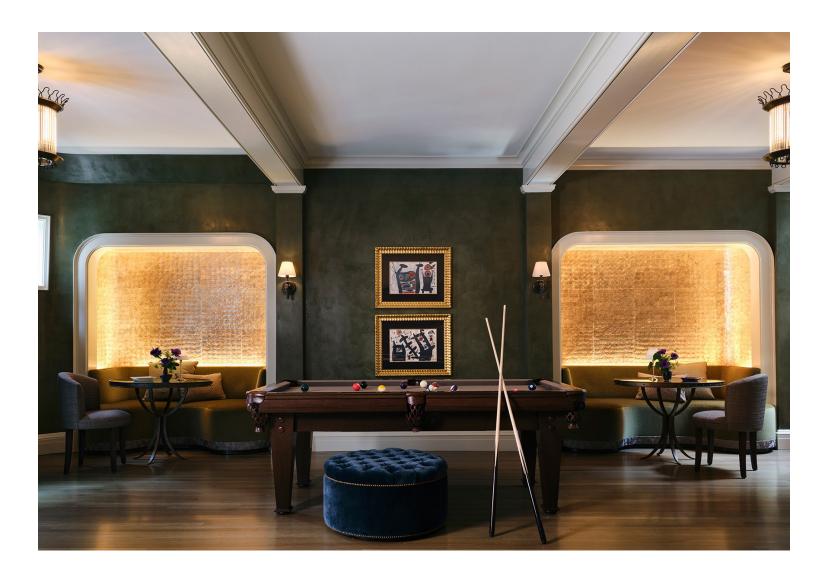
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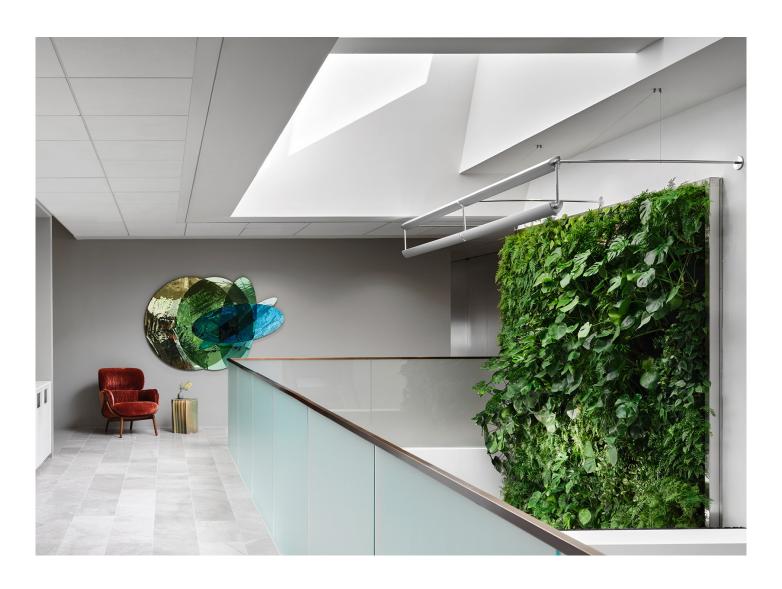
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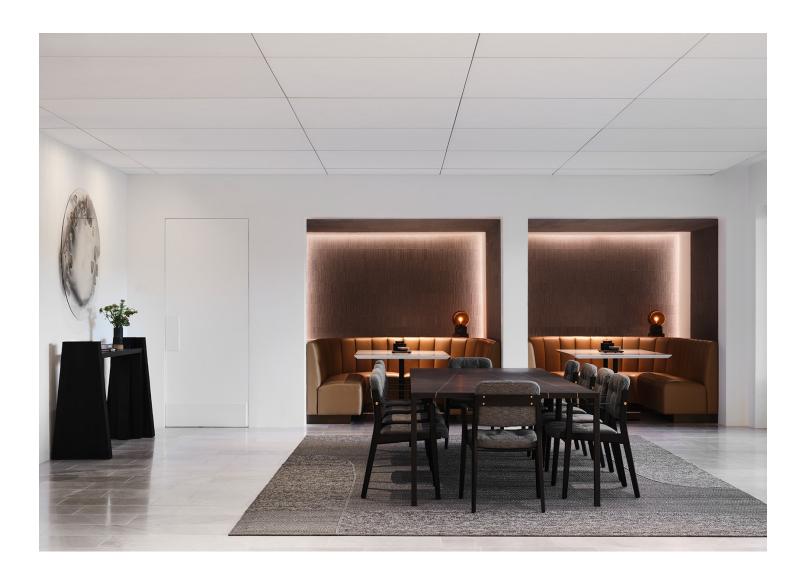
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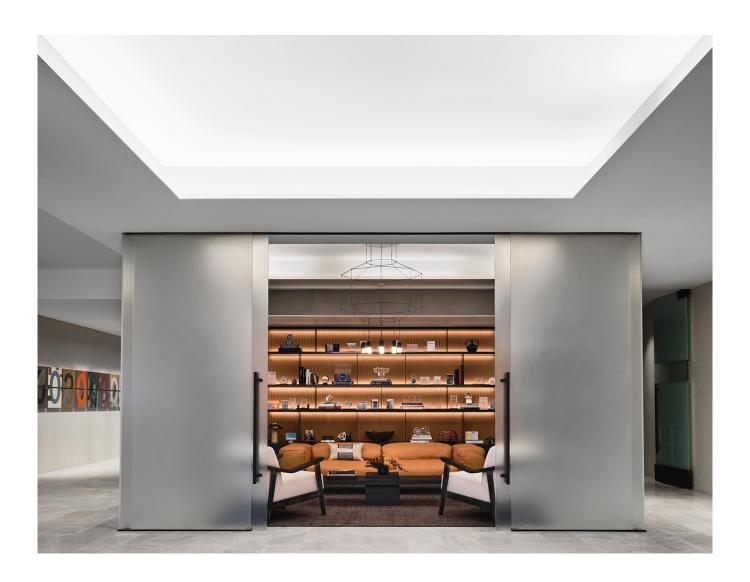
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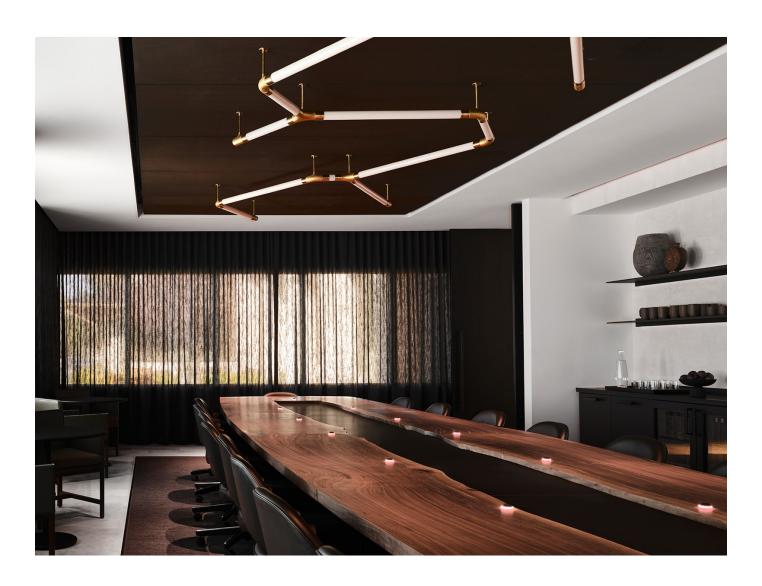
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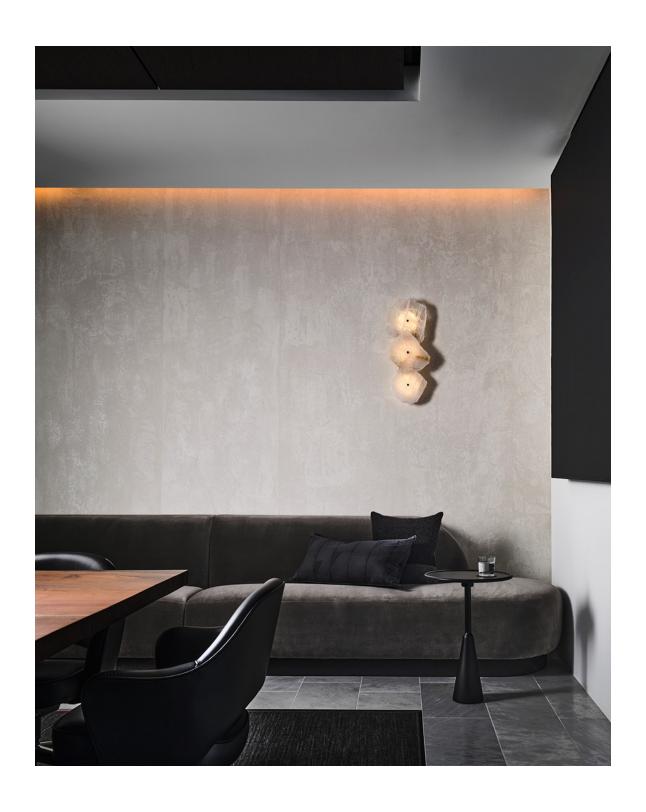
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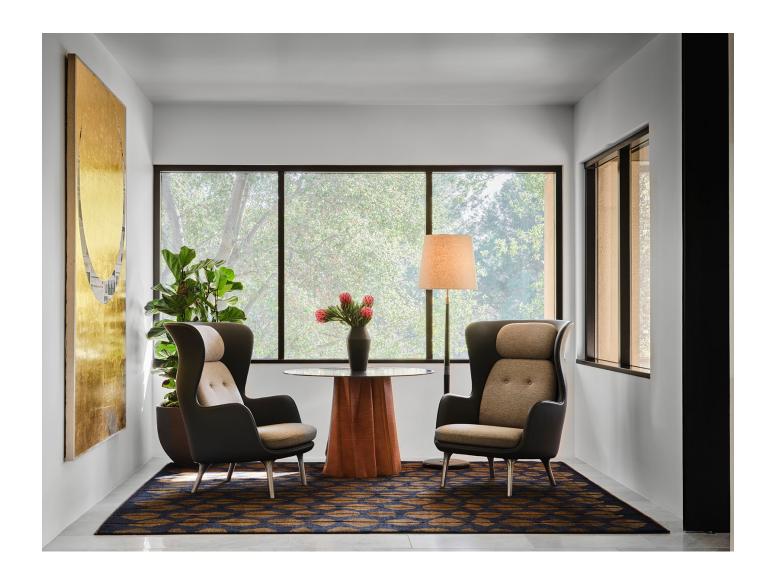
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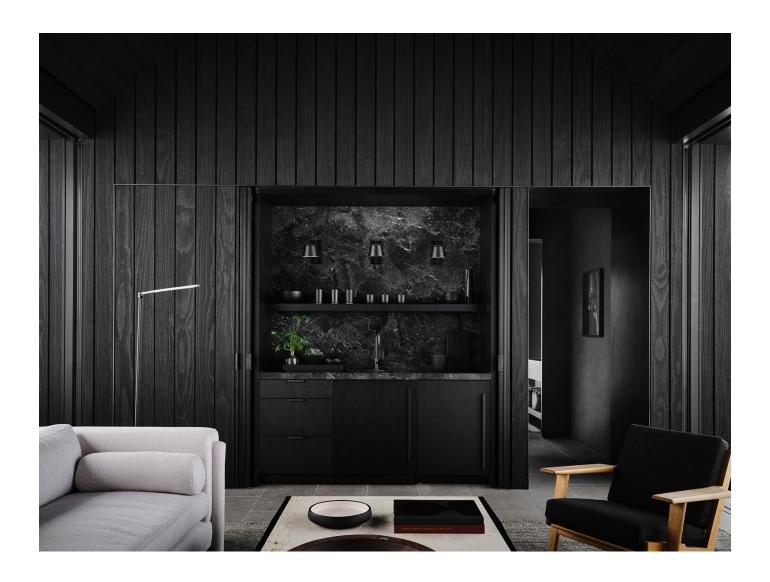
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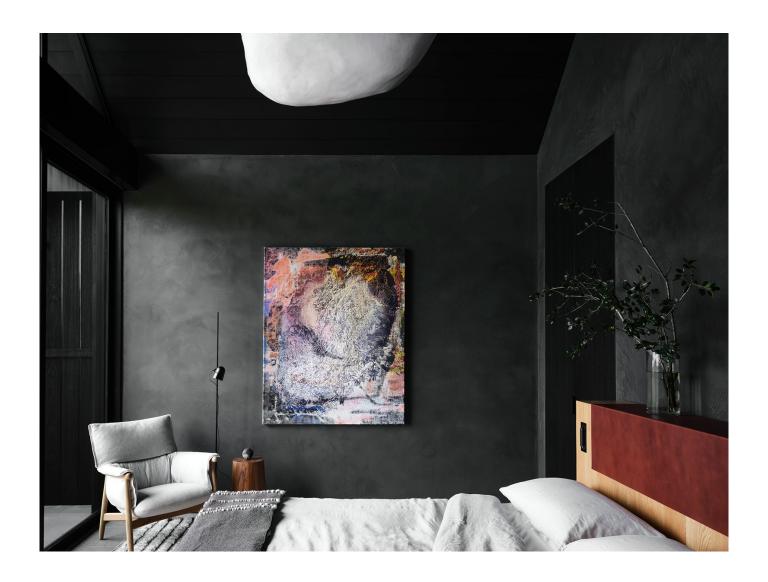
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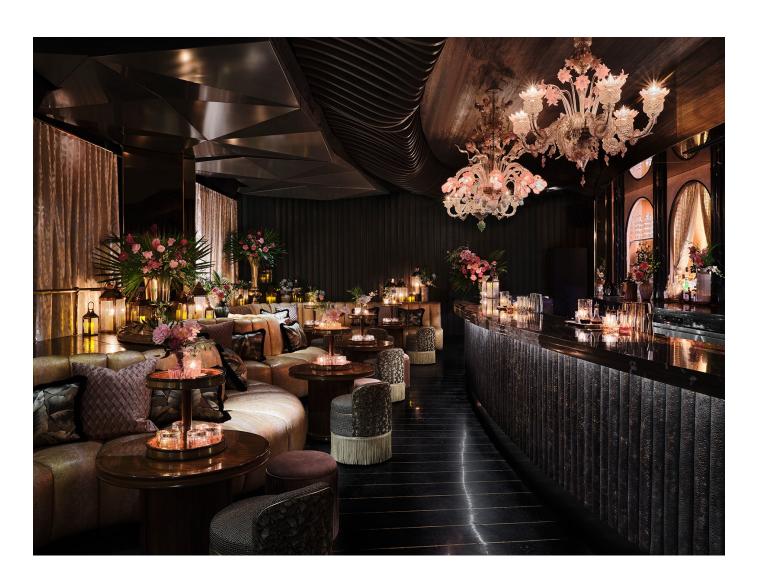
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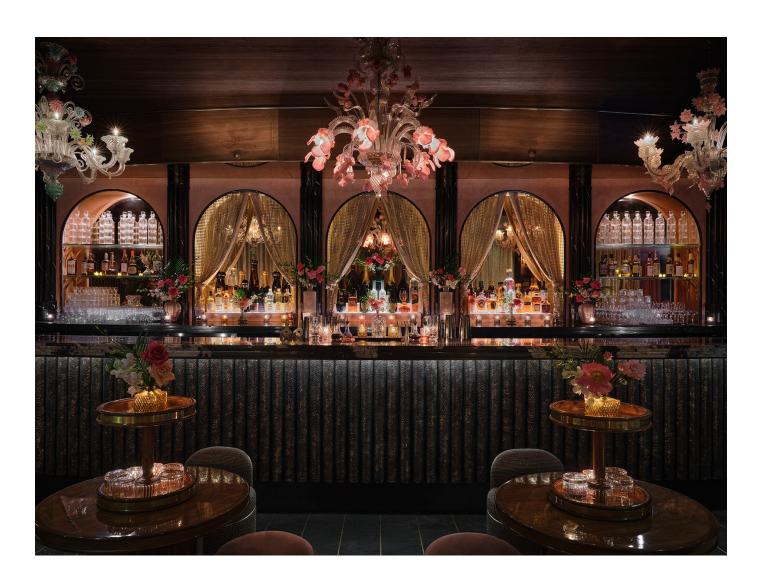
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20 years ago, the Los Angeles art adviser and curator John Wolf was working in production for Warner Bros, Jiving his best Mednese Place life in a midcentury Hollywood apartment building with a pool in the middle. "It really was a friendly, gossipy little complex," says Wolf. "There was a phase when couple of artists lived there, and they'd all come over and make a rot on my living room floor."

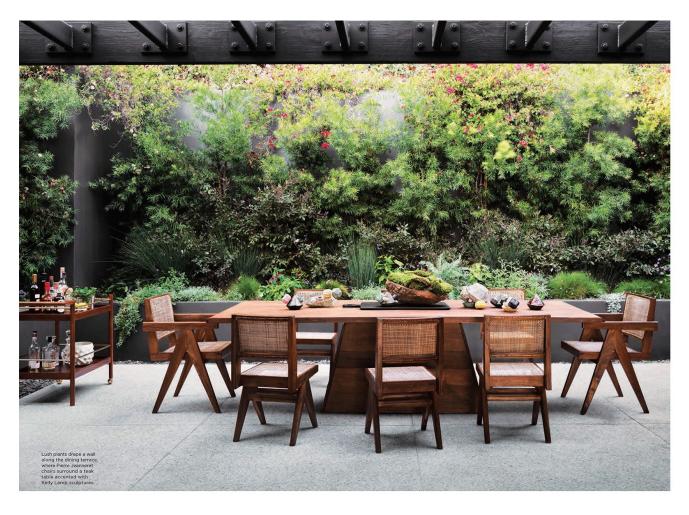
Another tenant Wolf found himself drawn to was danal Bram Straus, former investment banker who had reinvented himself as a decorator and was working for Kenneth Brown Design. "Adam's was the chicest apartement there," recalls Wolf. The two became friends, and when Wolf moved to his next apartment, in Wilshire Vista Heights, he asked Straus to design it.

At the time, Wolf was going through some career soul-searching of his own. Having discovered that the film business "wasn't as creative as I'd thought it would be," he says, he briefly took a sales job in the tech industry. But hed recently caught the art bug, collecting modestly, and he thought

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perhaps he could make his new passion his work.
"I started wondering, How can I fit into this world?"

Straus recommended Wolf as an art adviser to some of his interiors clients, and soon Wolf was picking up his own clients, including designers such as Kerry Joyce, Thomas Pheasant, and James Magni. "He literally just took it and ran with it," says Straus.

Fast-forward 15 years: Straus's design firm and John Wolf Art Advisory & Private Brokerage are thriving, and the two old friends and collaborators have recently completed their third L.A. home for Wolf. (The second was a five-bedroom Dutch Colonial in Mid-City that they renovated in 2014.) Located in the Hollywood Hills, the 1971, two-story residence features abundant outdoor spaces and seductive vistas of the city below: Wolf purchased it from a Texes old and cattle heires with idiosyncratic tastes, Says Straus, "She did a huge investment into the infrastructure of the house, but the finishes were just random and trippy."

Wolf insisted on preserving a few of her eccentric touches, including a powder room's *Star Wars*-themed flooked wallapser and its array of wall-mounted vanity mirrors above the sink. He also kept the vivid mossic tilework, a barrage of psychedelic glass pixels, that lines the shower and tub in the primary bath.

Otherwise, he gave Straus carte blanche to gut the rest. Out went the concrete floors and brick patio, replaced witin gray terrazez. The kitchen, previously a "black hole," says Straus, is now a tranquil focal point outfitted with elegant walnut cabinetry (sans handles) and expanses of Silver River marble. Interior walls are painted a soft, chalky white, while the exterior is all black. Seating throughout the home—from Augusto Sawin Pamplona chairs in the indoor dining area to a Jean Royère Polar Bear soft and armchairs in the family room—is upholstered in sumptious, earth-toned cashmeres or alpacas.

Set against this neutral backdrop is a mix of pieces by young designers—one of Vincent Pocsik's Lamp Beings, at Hass Bothers Aklira Hes stool—paried with vintage gems such as the lorge Zalszupin cocktall table in the living room, a floating burlet-wood Pace Collection console in the family room, and multiple Angelo Mangiarotti marble tables. The muted miss-en-scène also gives Wolf's art collection, which he is constantly rotating, a chance to breathe.

"So many people work relentlessly to get the hot name, but I go with what I love and follow my gut."

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he says. "I like to collect artists I've worked with." The home is a living record of those relationships: filled with works from show he has curated at the Tom of Finland Foundation and the Spring! Break Art Show, as well as "Human Condition," a sprawling survey of art that explored what it means to be human, which he masterminded in a derleit L.A. hospital space in 2016.

Joining pieces by such celebrated names as Nicolas Party, Nan Goldin, Tony Matelli, and Lita Albuquerque are works by now in-demand emerging artists like February James, Alannah Farrell, and Jean-Marie Appriou, who is represented by a sculpture of an astronaut intertwined with a dragon-like creature, or, as Wolf puts it, "a futuristic, alien-meets-mediciat, time-space-waye entity."

He acknowledges that collectors like him "are glorified hoarders," who need to be reined in, noting, "That's where Adam shines. He's like a therapist for the living space."

And the therapy doesn't stop with the interiors. Whether it's reveling in "hummingbird parties" atop the rooftop garden and viewing dock filled with lush plantings and succulents, caring for the vegetable garden, or curling up with a book by the mirrored firepits on the terrace lounge off the living room, Wolf looses that Straus has created spaces for "beautiful self-growth."

Now that he's settled in, Wolf plans to write the next chapter for this sanctuary with the same kind of deeply resonant, distinctly personal vision he brings to his exhibitions. "Ilove this story of carrying on somebody's creative tradition and then adding to it and giving it a shared history," he says. "So whoeve rowns this house next will have this story to tell about the people who lived here before."

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With sinuous surfaces, painterly marbles, and statement-making art, designer Nicole Hollis transforms a San Francisco landmark into a family home that's a star turn of creative ambition.



ABOVE: A YAYOI KUSAMA PUMPKIN SCUIPTURE SITS IN THE ENTRY OF A 1910 TOWNHOUSE IN SAN FRANCISCO, WHICH WAS RENOWATED BY THE DESIGNER NICOUE HOUIS AND THE ARCHITECT STEPHEN WILLRICH. OPPOSITE: THE RESIORED TUDOR REVIVAL PACADE BY HERMANN BARTH, THE ORIGINAL ARCHITECT. For details, see Resources.

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when, in 1910, fresh off her divorce from her railroad- utterly transformed—a testament to the power in comarchitectural equivalent of a revenge dress. The mana seriously sexy view out to San Francisco Bay.

Alice Huntington hoped to send

two doors down with her husband and children, became heim feel. It's just extraordinary and edgy. obsessed. True, the two-toned exterior, with its brick chimneys and timber corbels, exuded a certain archaic glory-no match, one would think, for a dynamic phil-Lorna Simpson, Mark Bradford, and Richard Prince.

disagreed. "He thought it was the ugliest house he had like space is a hit with the couple's two teenagers.

didn't think we could do anything with it."

Today, the meticulously restored landmark exterior is elegant in charcoal gray. And the interiors are

heir ex-husband, the San Francisco socialite built the bining bespoke design with a professional's vision and a homeowner's unbridled enthusiasm. The tone is set in sion was one of the grandest the city had ever seen, the entry hall, where a mirror-polished bronze pumpkin with nine bedrooms over nearly 12,000 square feet, a by Yayoi Kusama is framed by a swooping white-plaster Tudor Revival facade of Shakespearean dimensions, and staircase; it was Hollis, who was hired midproject, who proposed replacing the traditional picket staircase with And so it stood for more than a century until in 2018 this dramatic, modern gesture. "That just blew everythe house went on the market, and a neighbor, living body's socks off," the owner says, "It has this Guggen-

Hollis, whose modernist interiors are layered with work by the artisans she seeks out around the globe, filled the house with surprises: Just steps from the entry anthropic couple whose art collection includes works by lies a dark-walled powder room where a fluorescenttube light installation by American artist Johanna But she saw the potential. "I had always admired its Grawunder hovers over a blue-resin vanity by Dutch beauty," she says, Her husband, who is in finance, initially designer Sabine Marcelis, The photogenic, Dan Flavin-

Pierre Paulin chairs to the oval cocktail table by the Campana brothers, has rounded corners. "It was unineverything curves, from the staircase to the furniture."

When she pushed the couple to take some chances, no need for hardware."

Even more ambitious was an entire dining room Donat, who created grooved-wood panels for the walls, Living well, after all, is the best revenge.

On the second level, a massive picture window custom lighting, and a dining table, fireplace surround, overlooks a thicket of trees, San Francisco's lush Presiand crown molding all in hand-cast bronze. The room dio Park visible just beyond. The living room features a was fabricated in Donat's studio in France; each piece sculpture by Larry Bell and a painting by losef Albers— was numbered and shipped on pallets to San Francisco. both homages to the square. But if the art is all about where they were installed by local craftspeople. "It took right angles, everything else in the space, from the us over a year and a half to get it done," Hollis says. "It was down to the wire.'

For the couple, the house was envisioned as a place tentional," Hollis says, "but at one point I realized that where they could host charitable events and share their art collection with the local cultural community. But of course, it was also intended as a refuge for their family. they were persuadable—and stuck with the plan even After moving in last fall, the family couldn't resist gath when the pandemic made everything more complicated. ering in their dining room over a meal of Chinese take-This is how they came to have an entire kitchen, includ-out, "Our lifestyle isn't formal, but the room is soft, ing decorative fronts for built-in appliances, handmade warm, and cozy," the owner says. "You just want to sit at in Tuscany from a single block of pale, purple-veined that table with the fireplace on, eat and drink too much, Breccia Capraia marble. "It's so tricked out; you knock and have a lot of laughs. That's the sentiment I wanted on the dishwasher, and it opens," Hollis notes. "There's for this entire house—a place to build memories while enjoying the work of the artists all around us."

Mary Alice Huntington, who commissioned the commissioned from a single artist, Paris-based Ingrid home over a century ago, would likely have approved.

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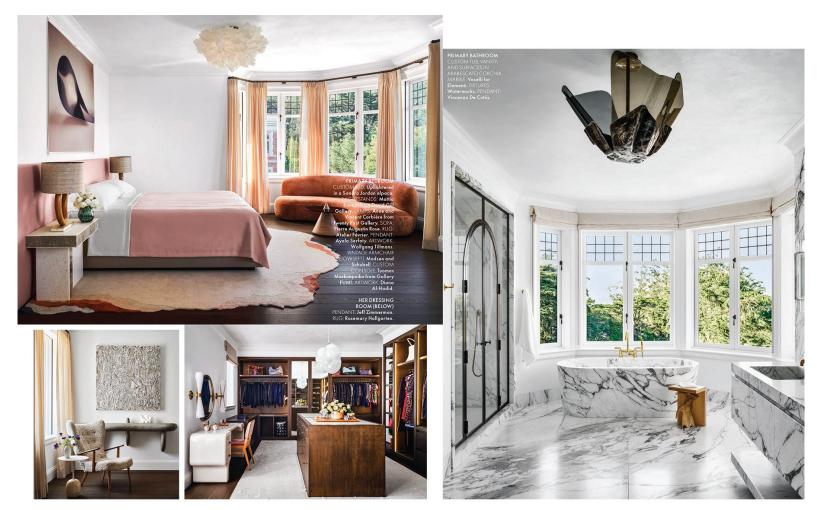
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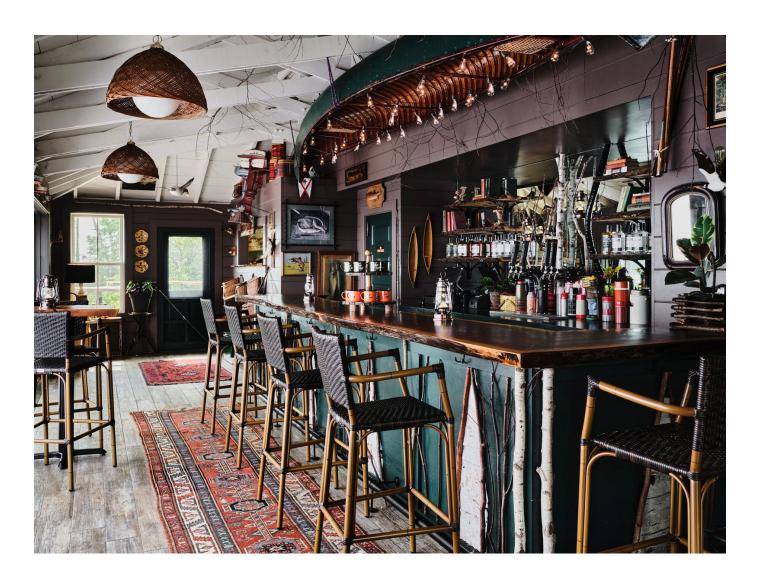
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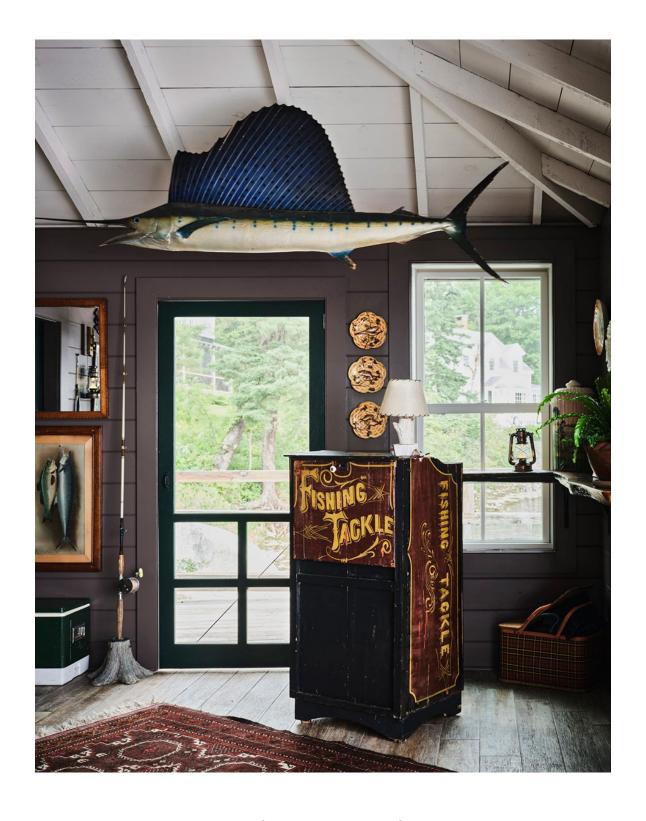
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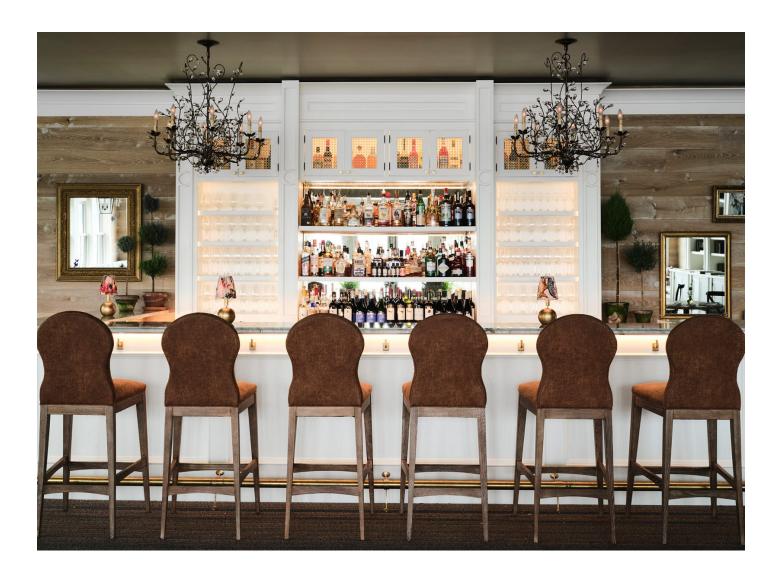
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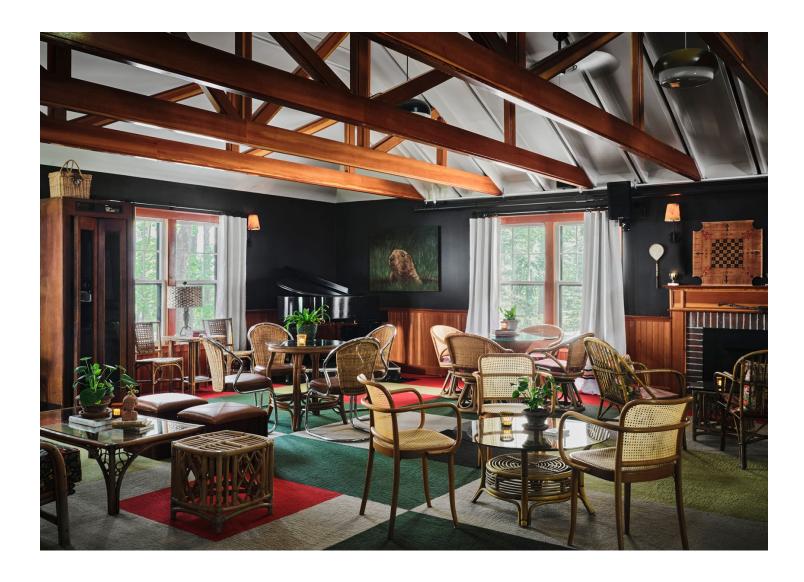
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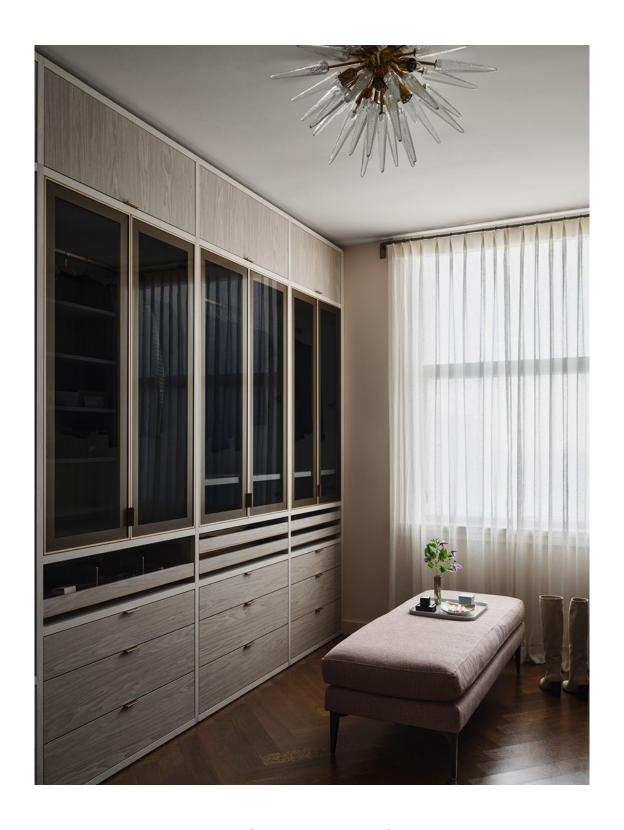
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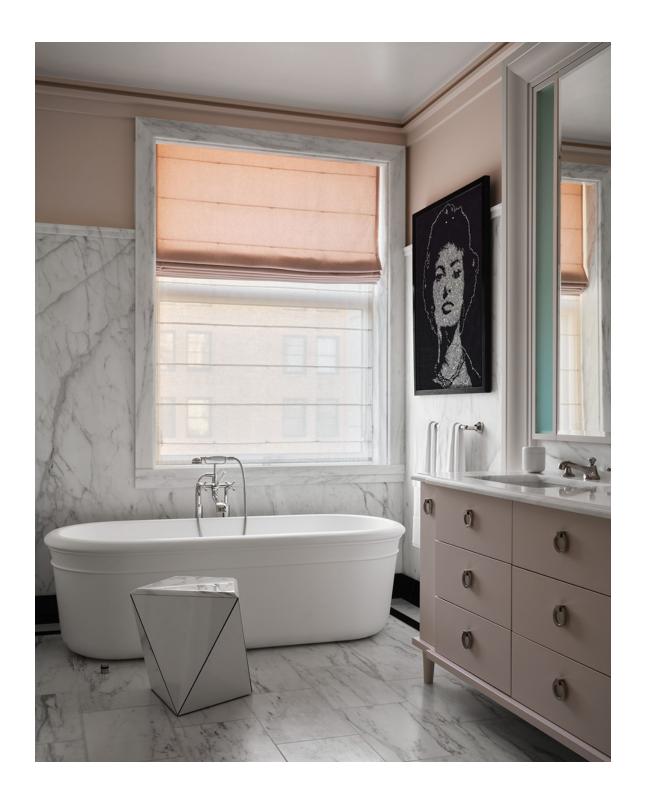
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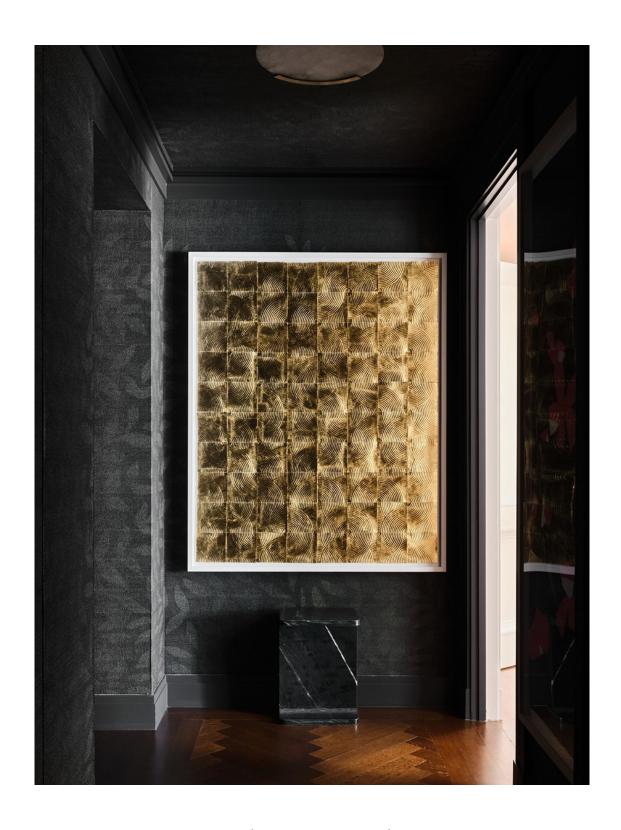
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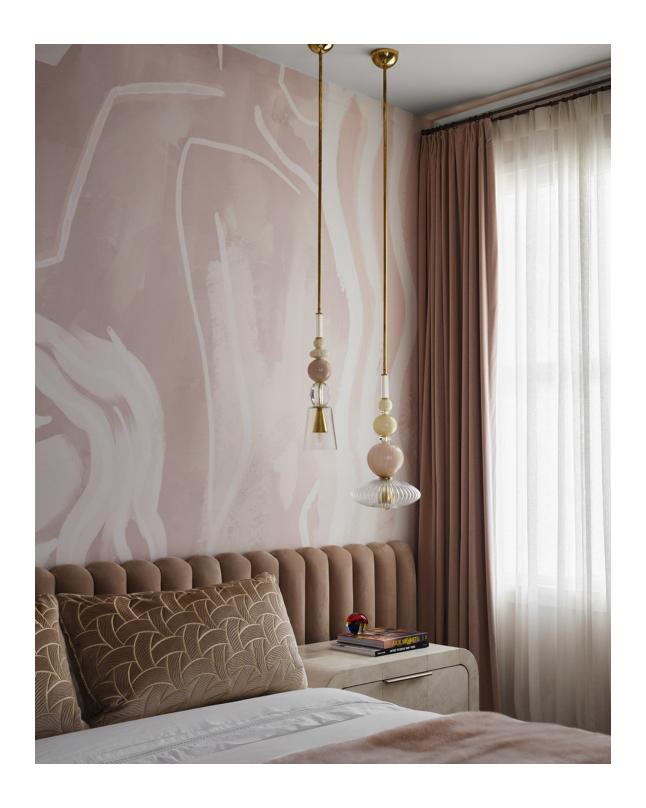
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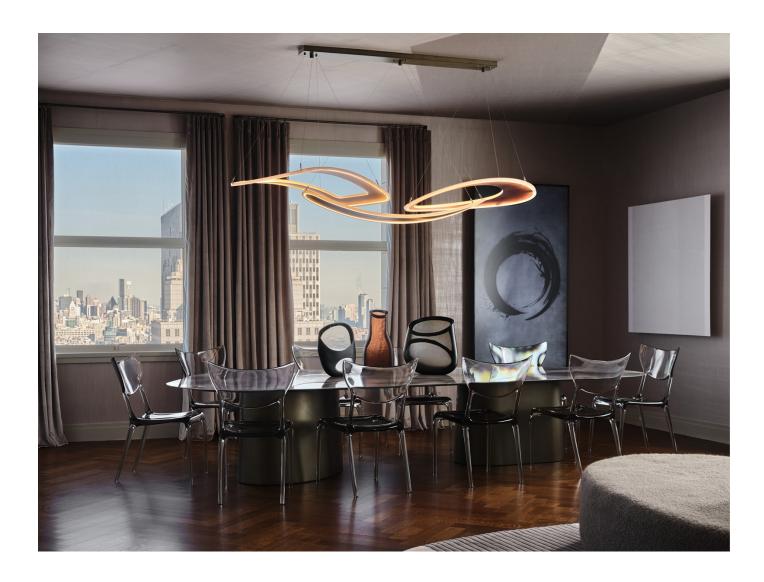
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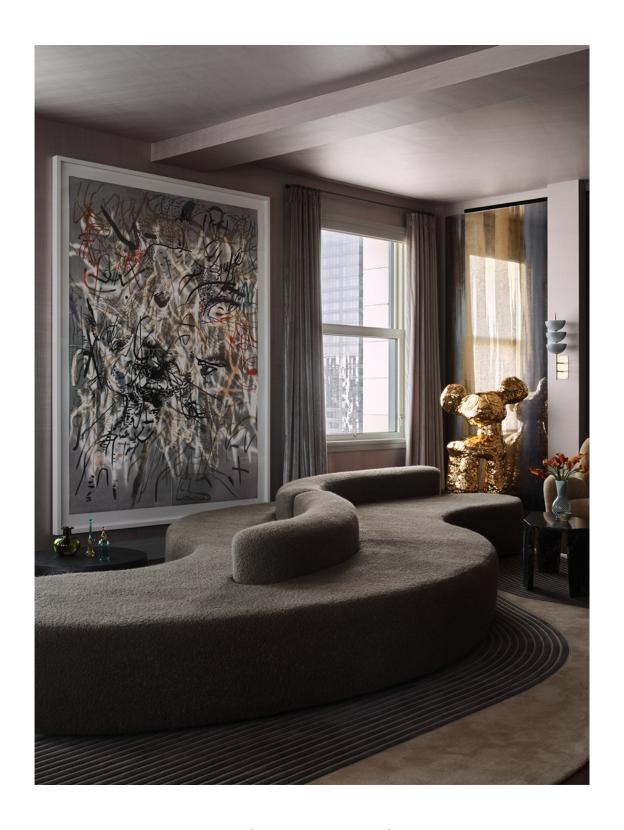
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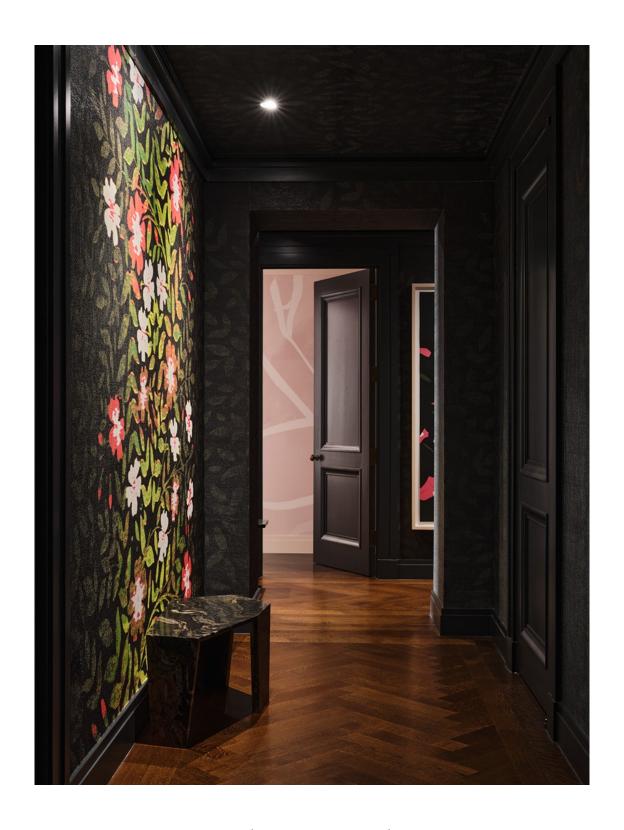
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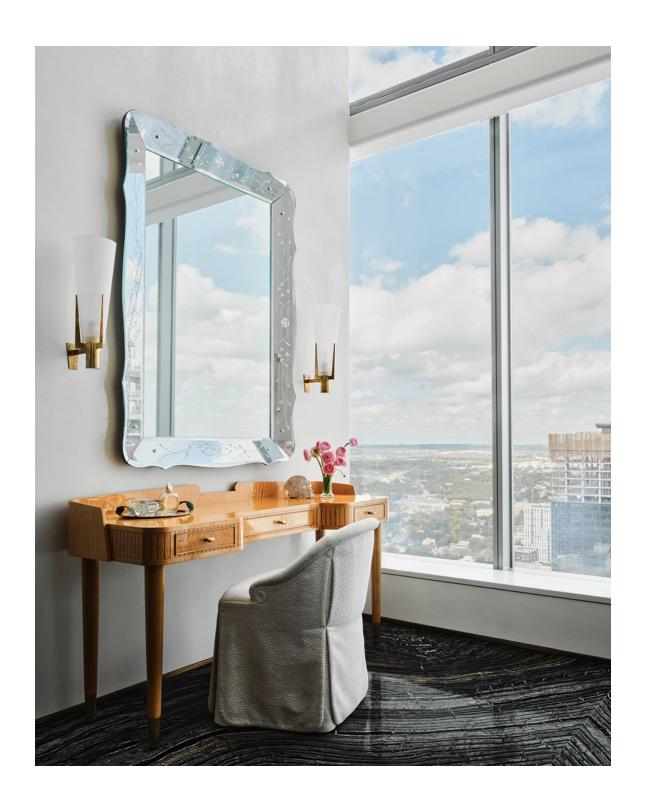
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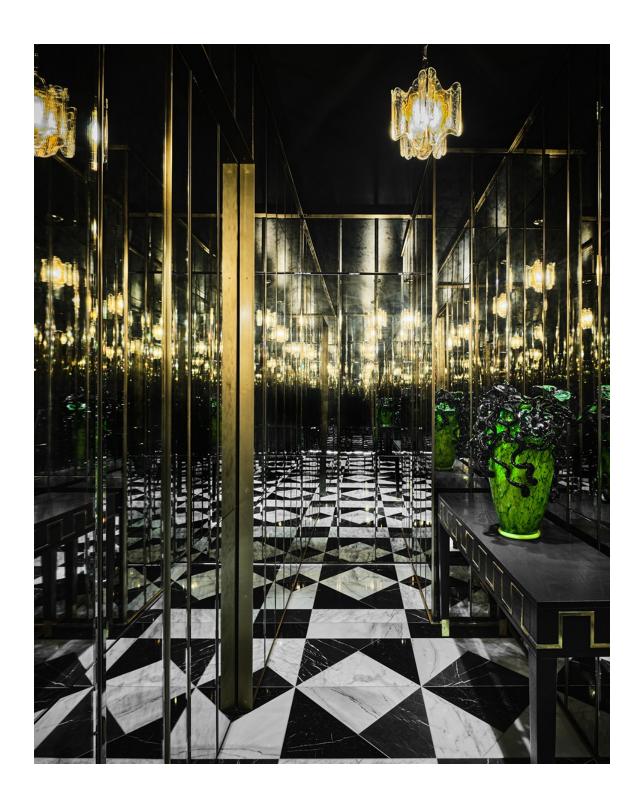
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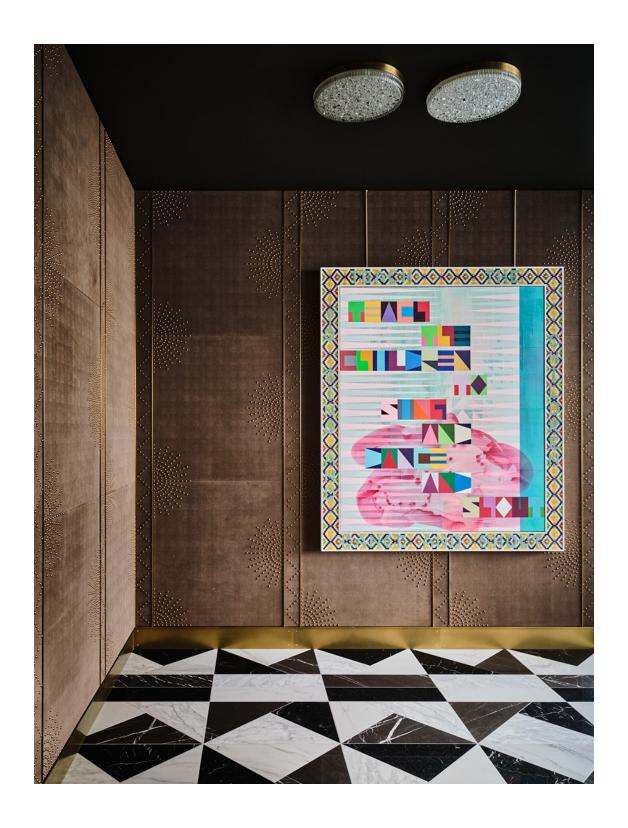
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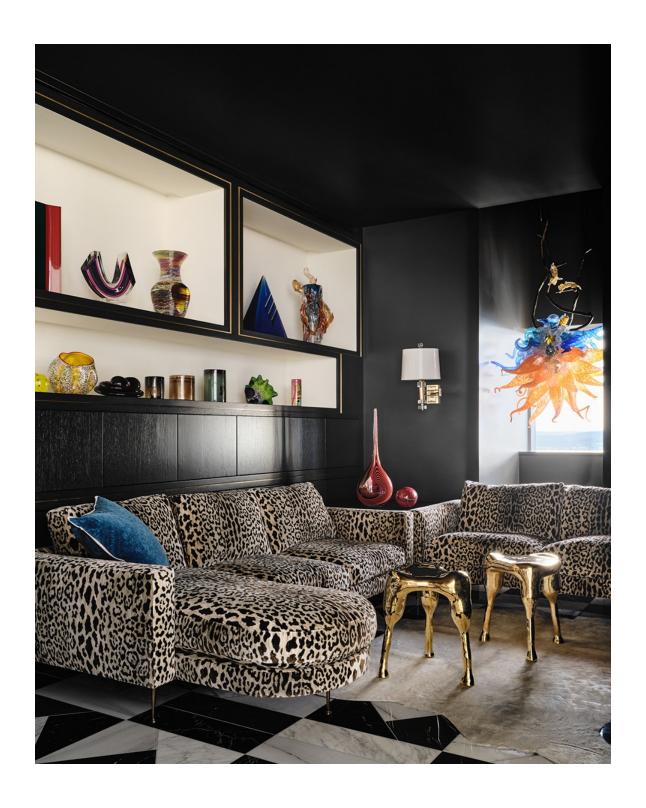
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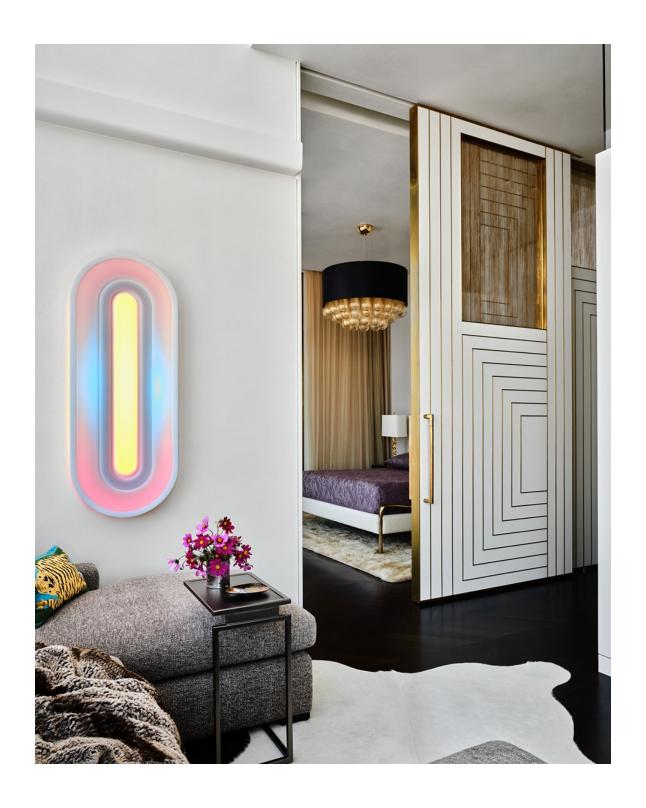
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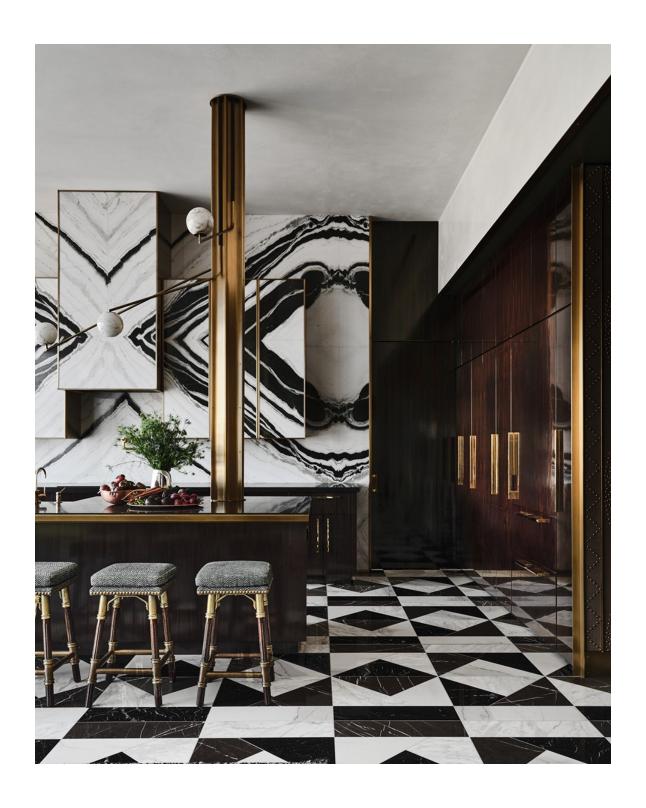
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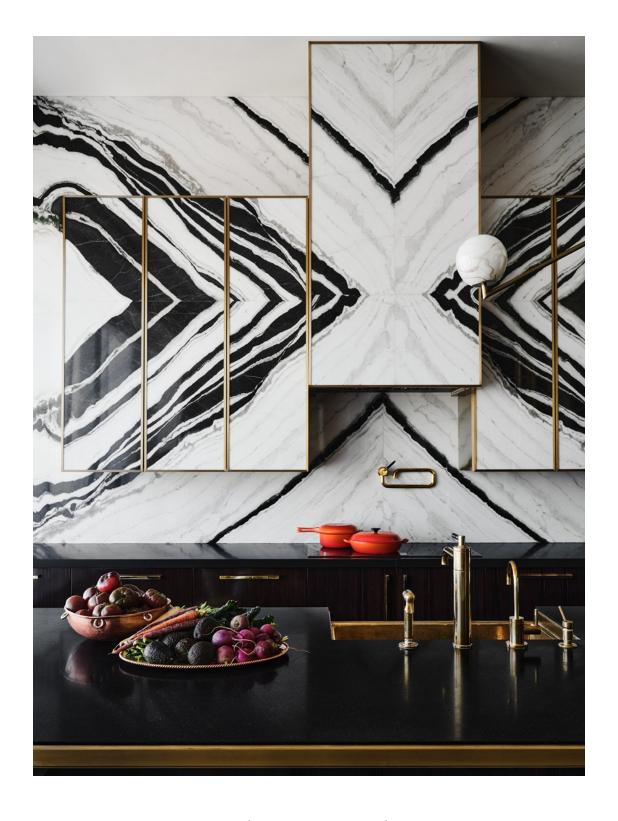
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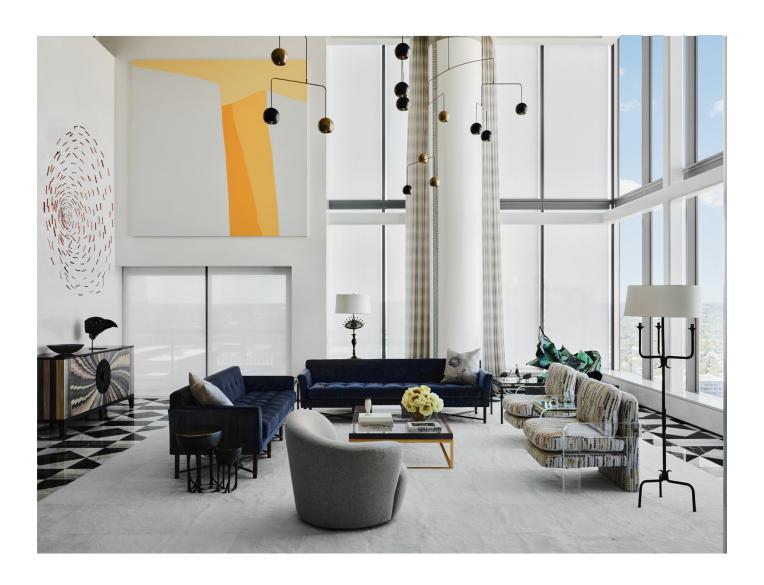
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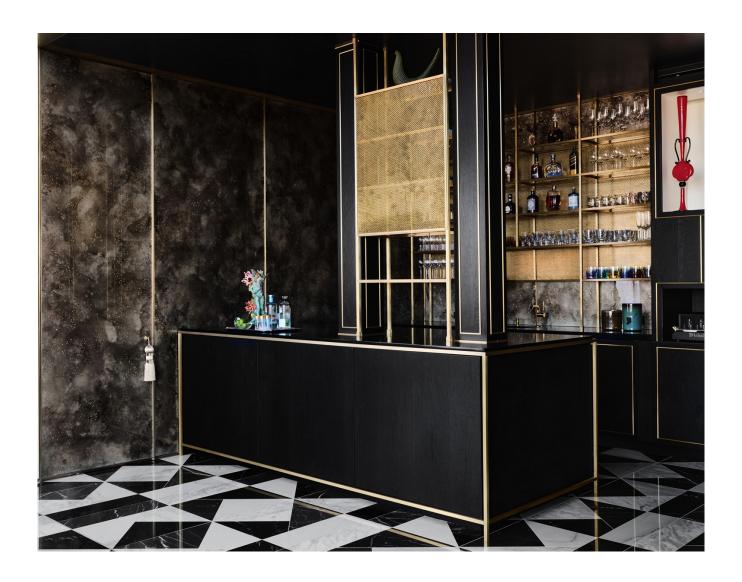
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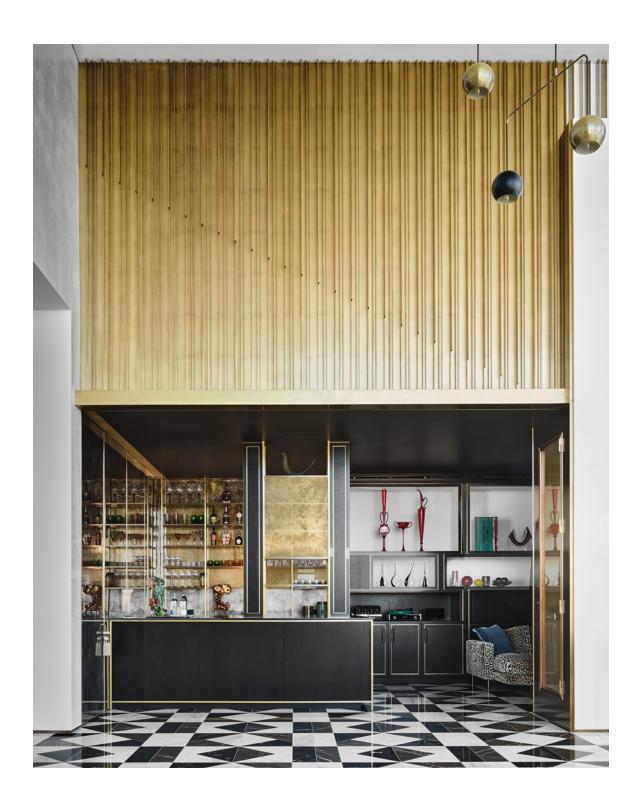
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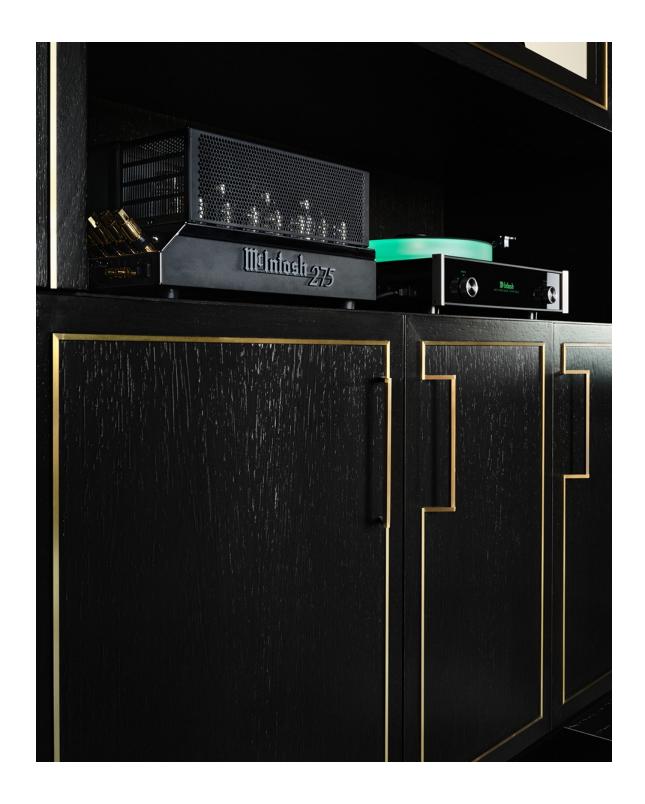
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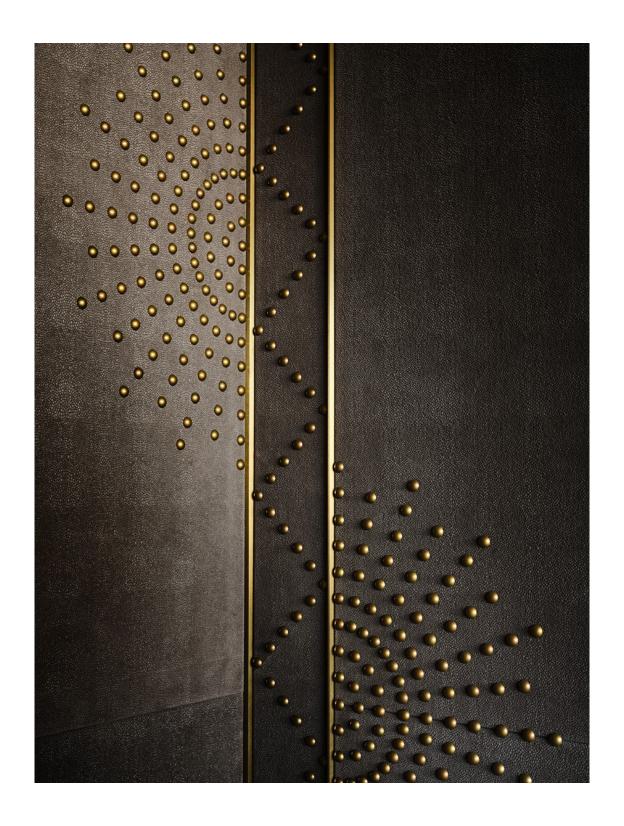
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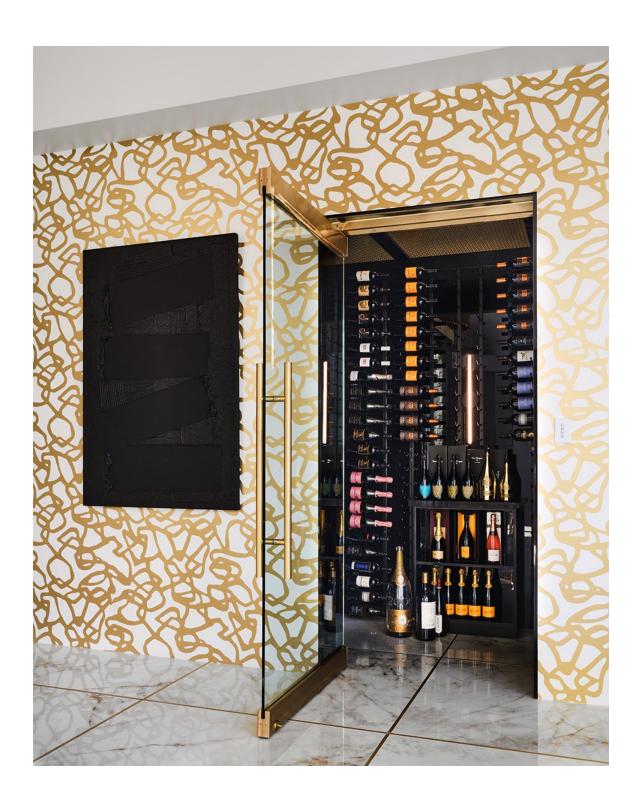
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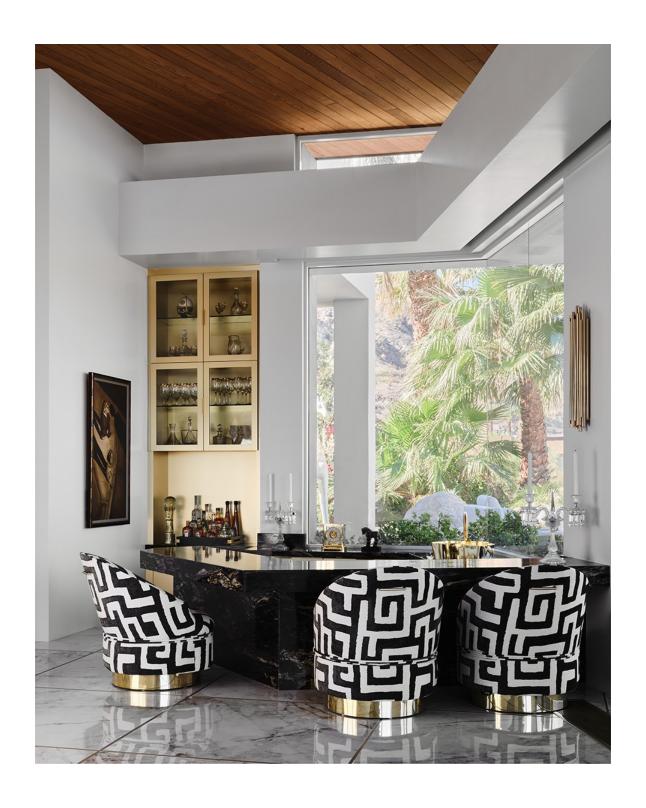
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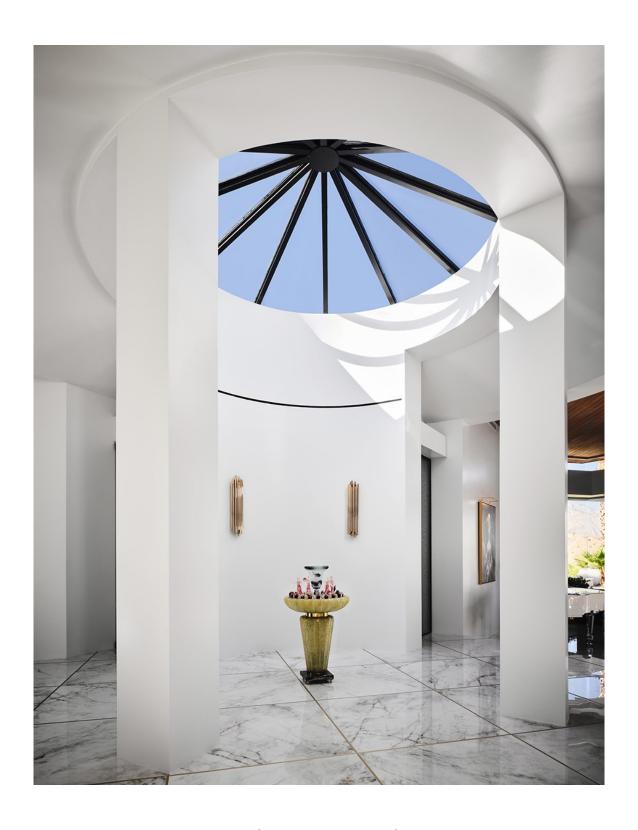
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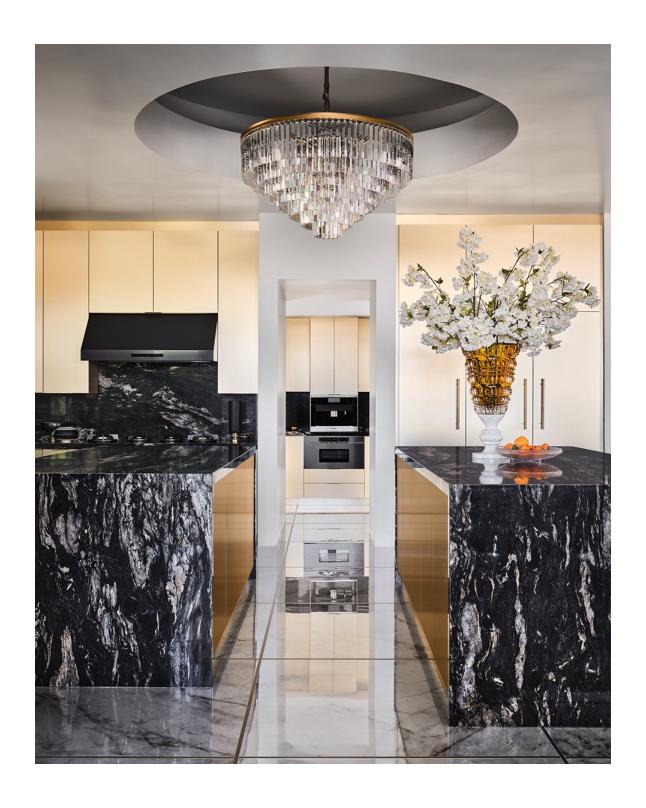
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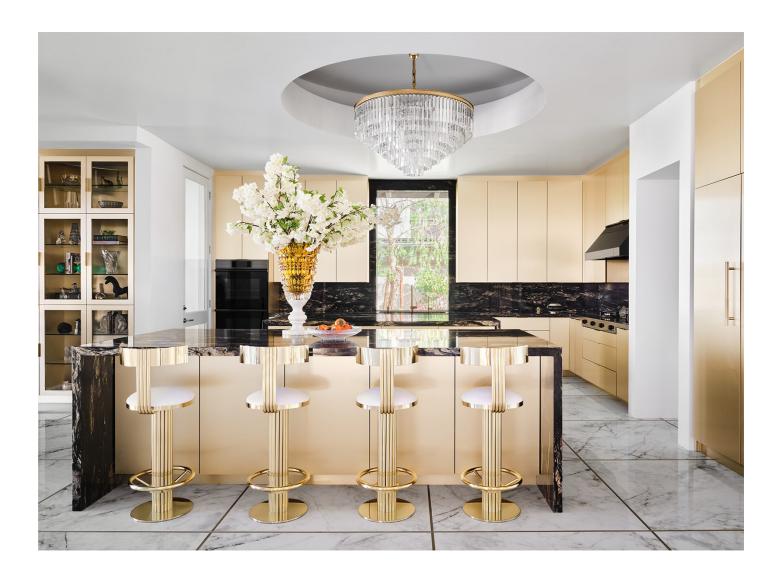
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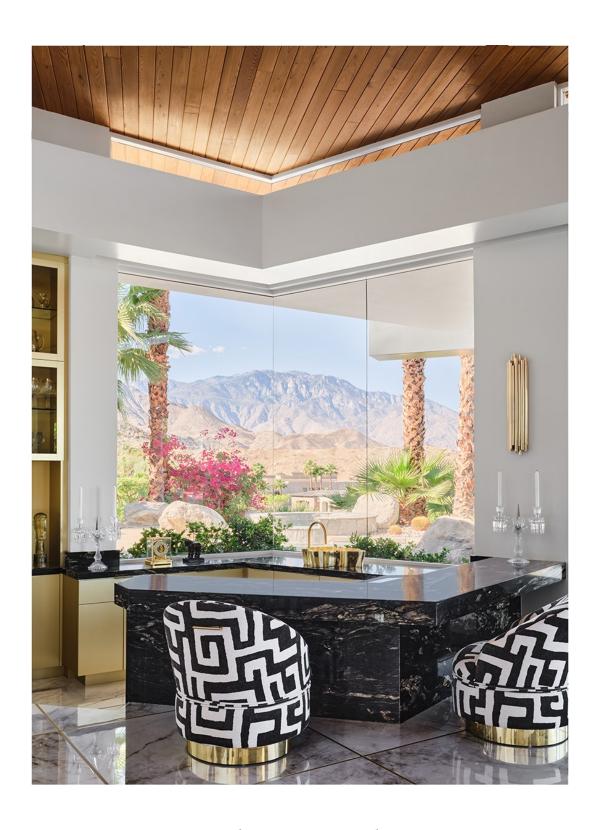
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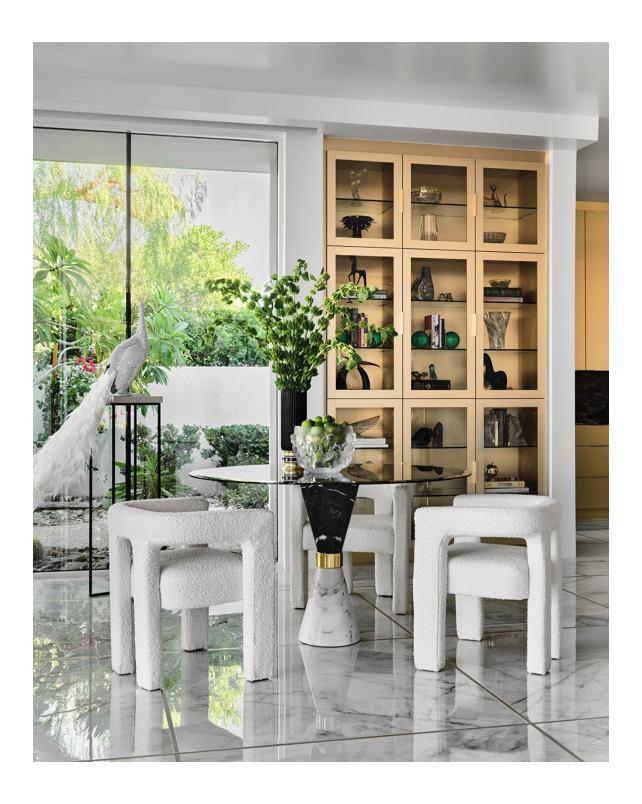
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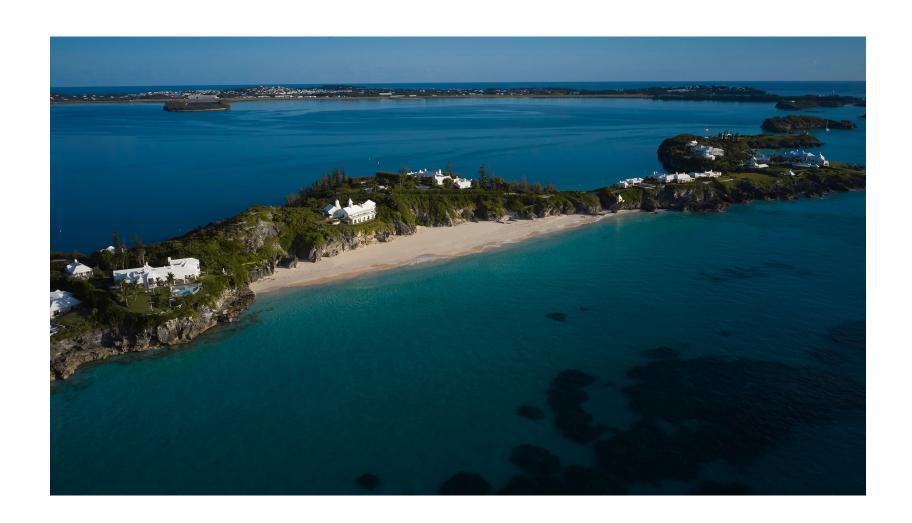
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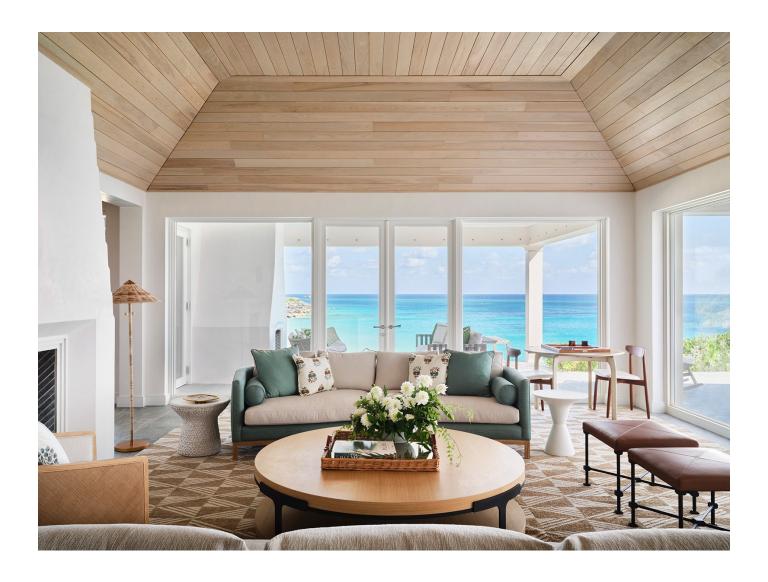
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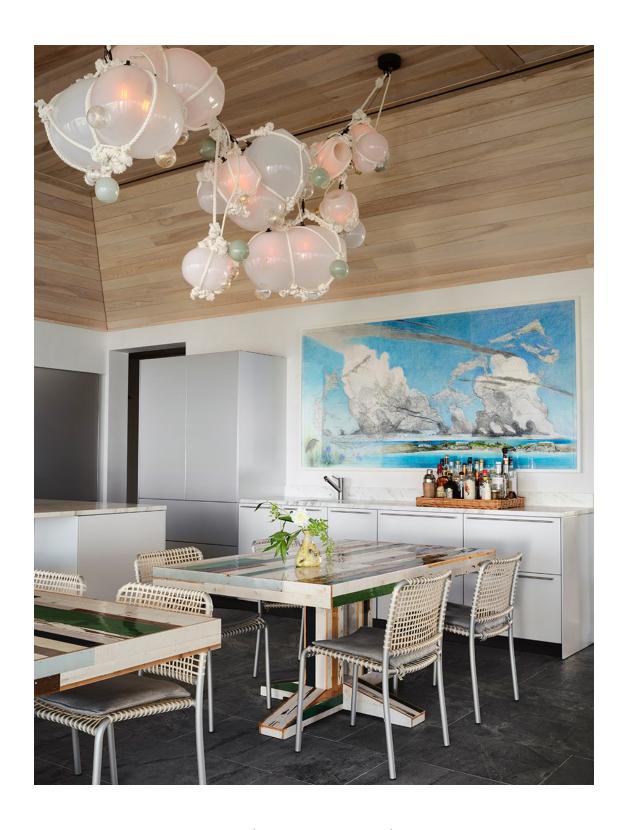
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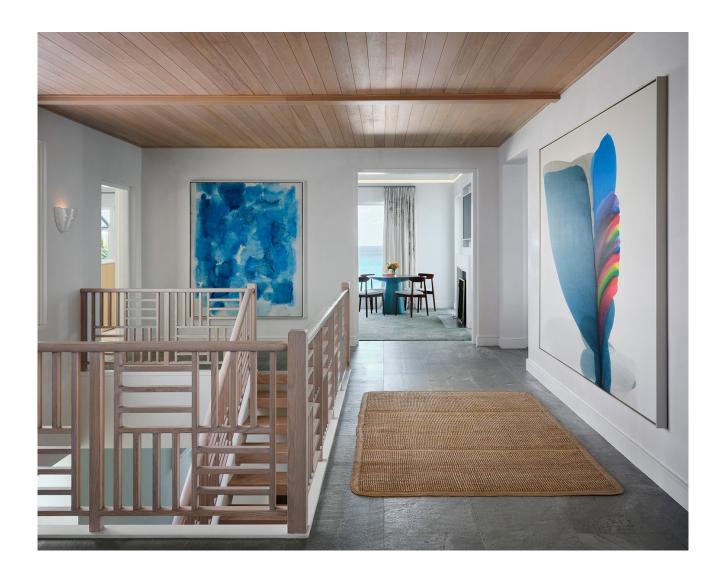
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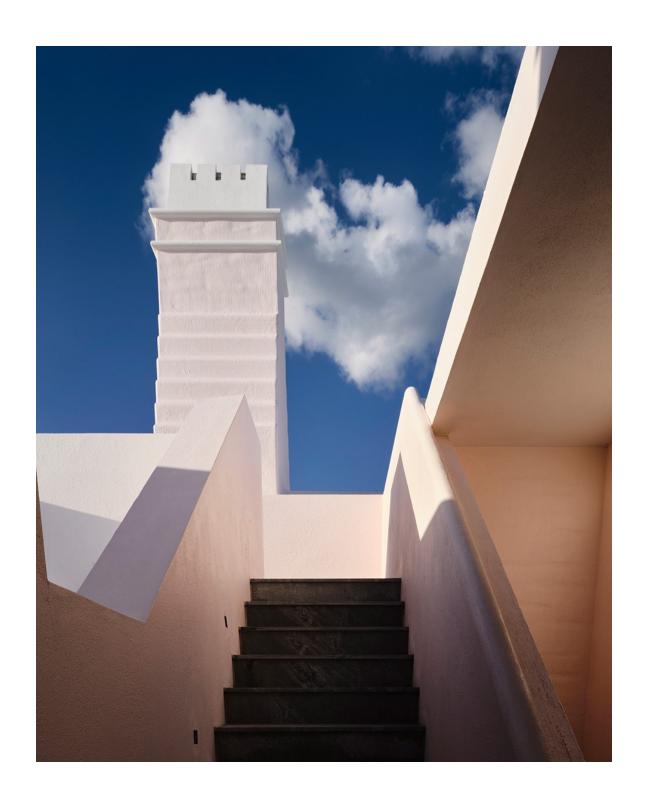
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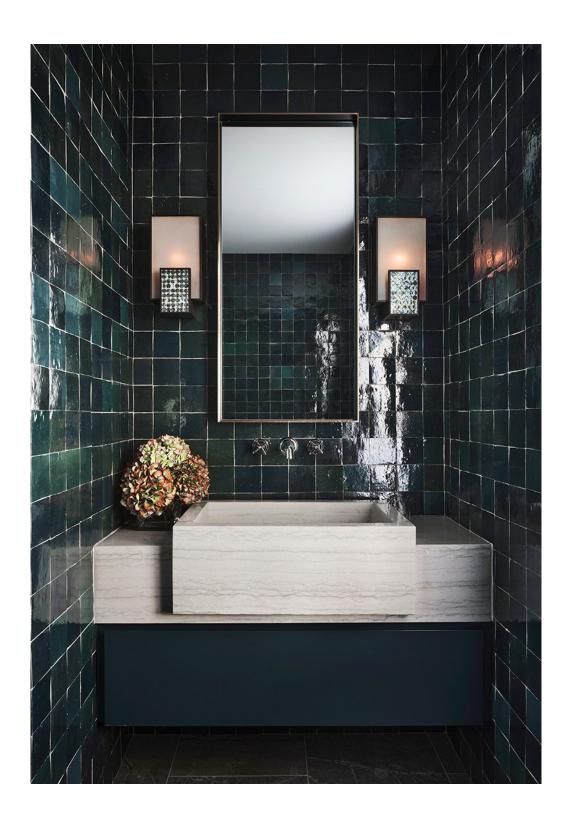
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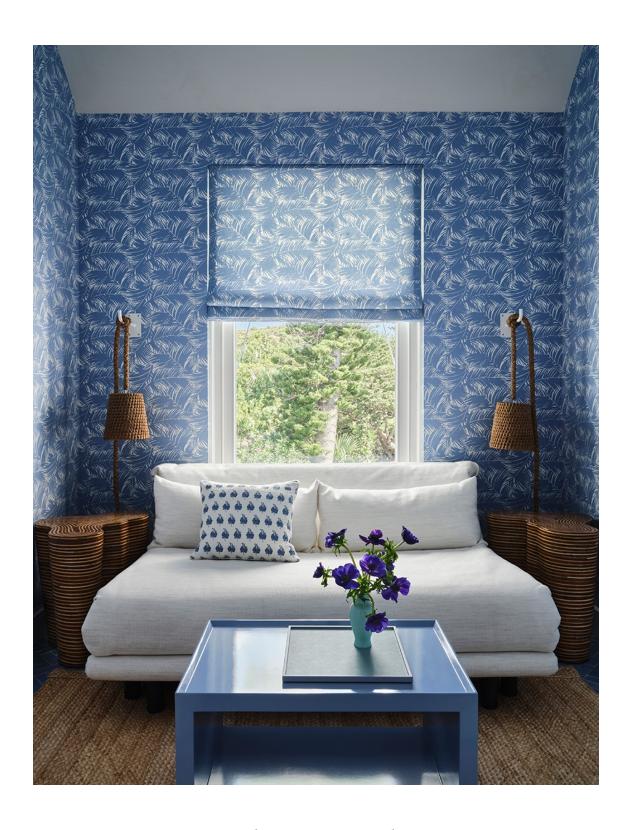
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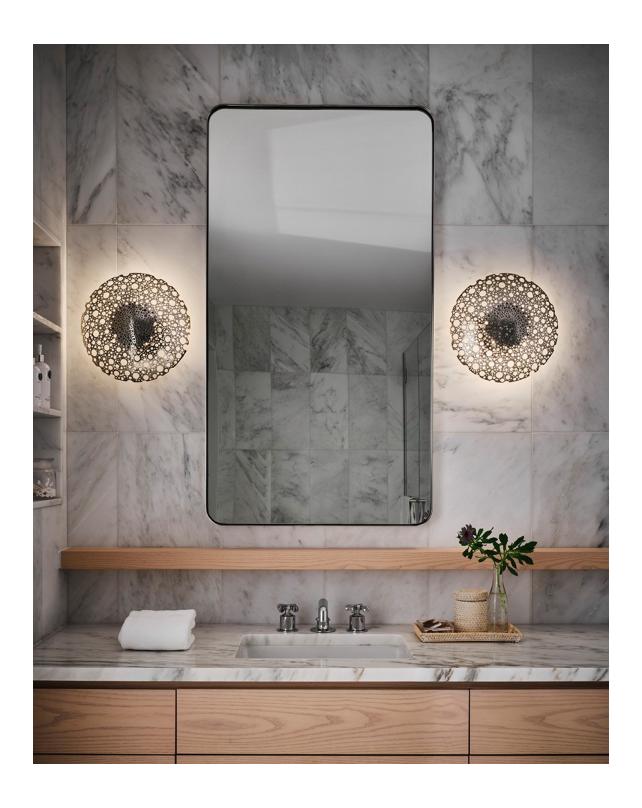
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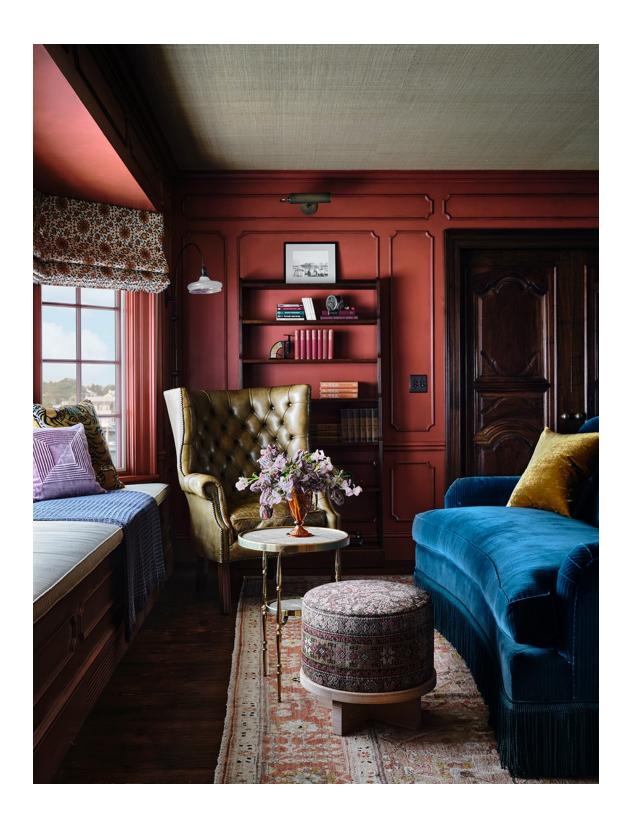
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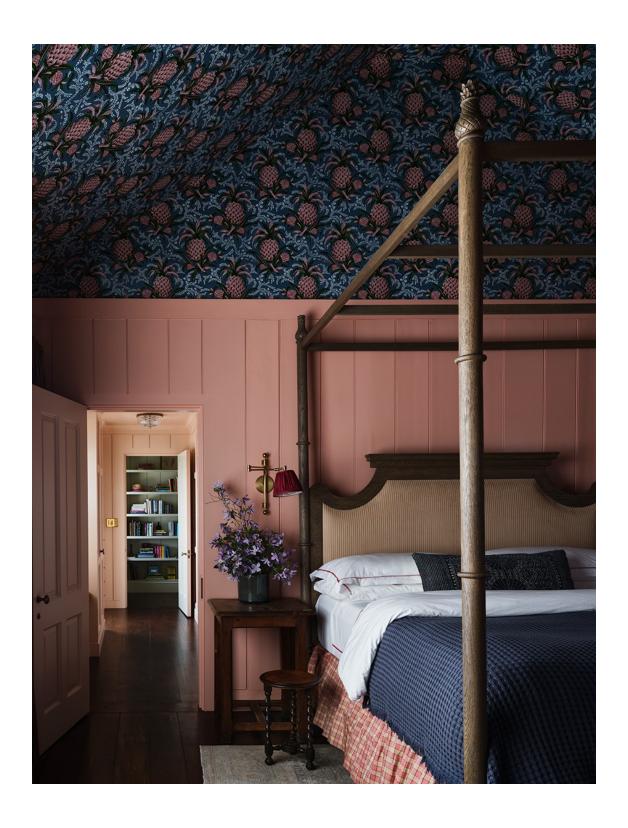
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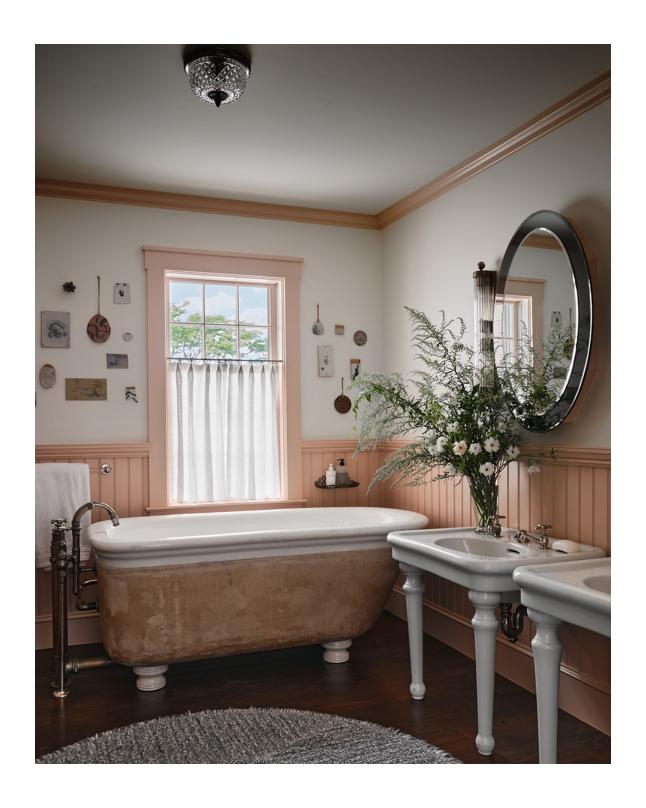
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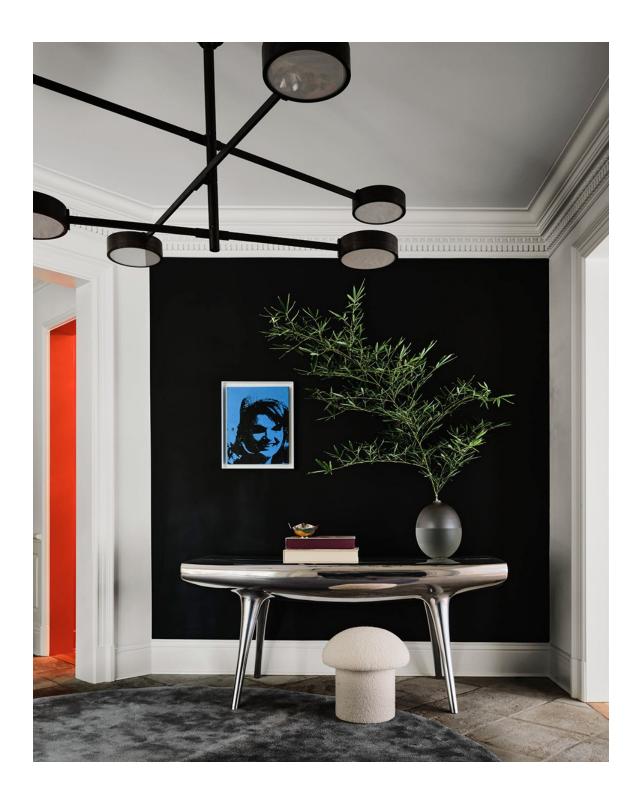
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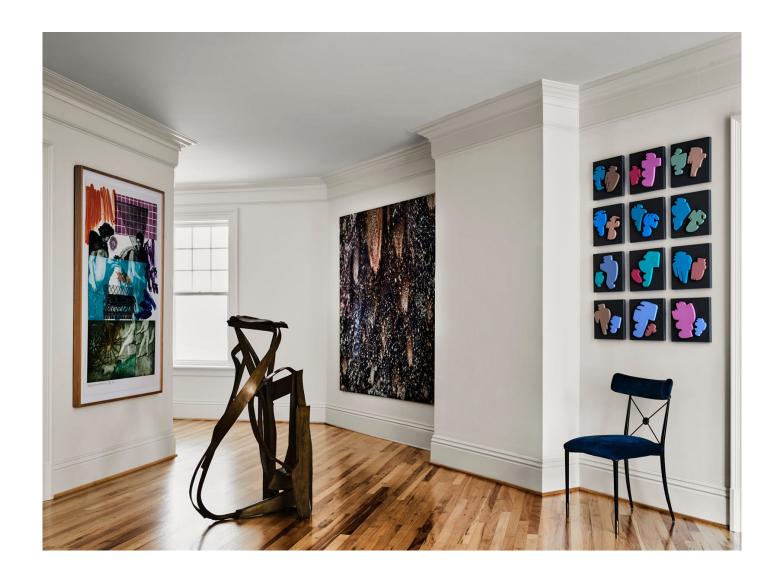
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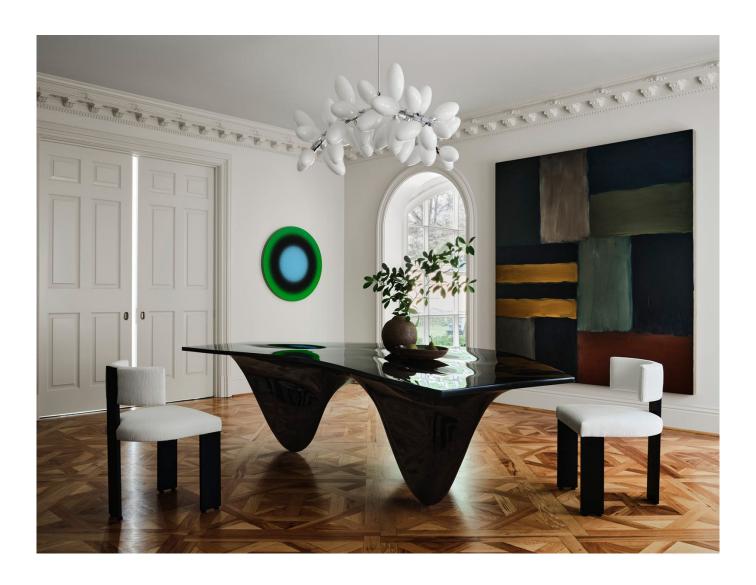
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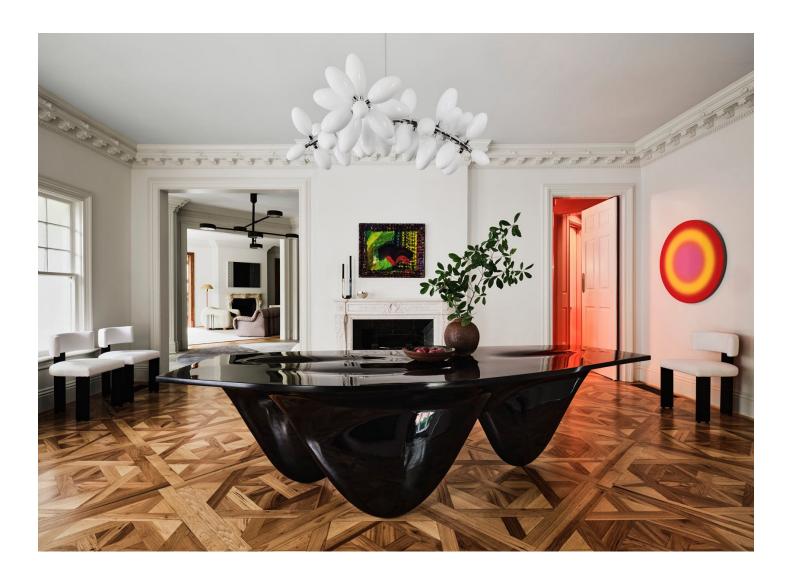
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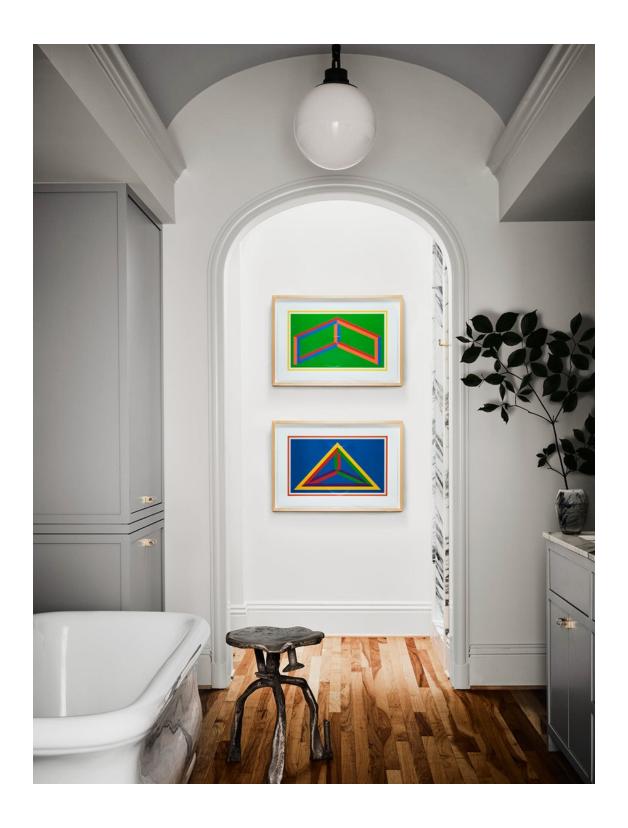
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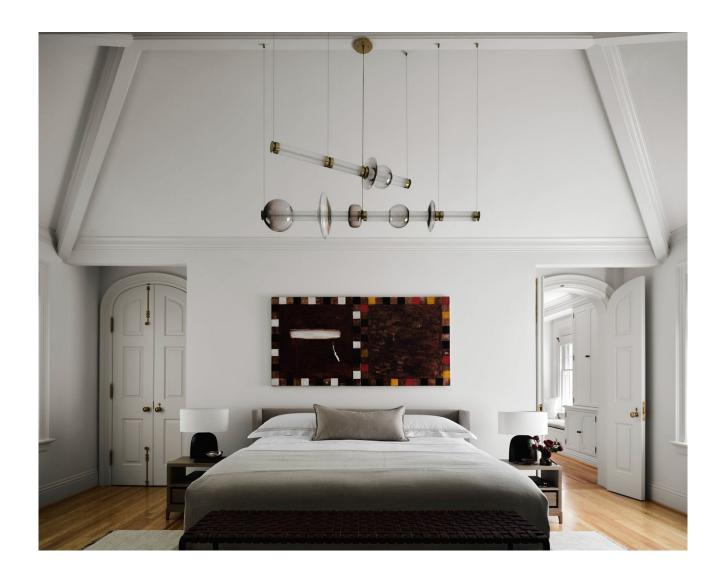
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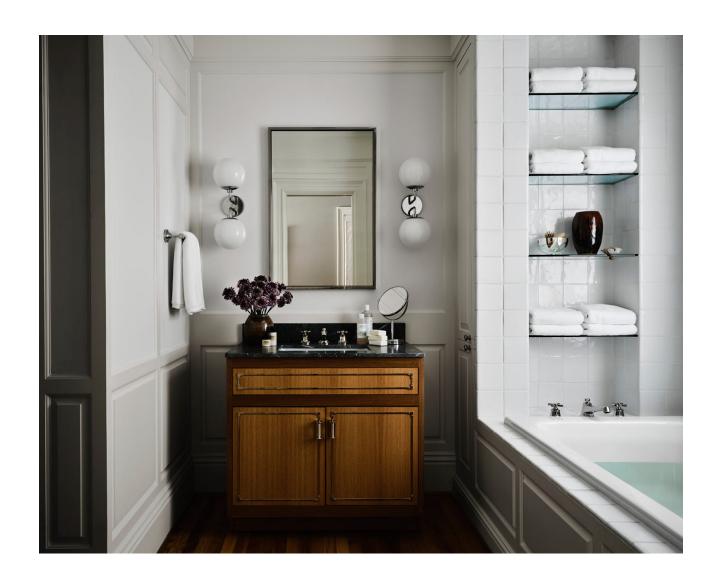
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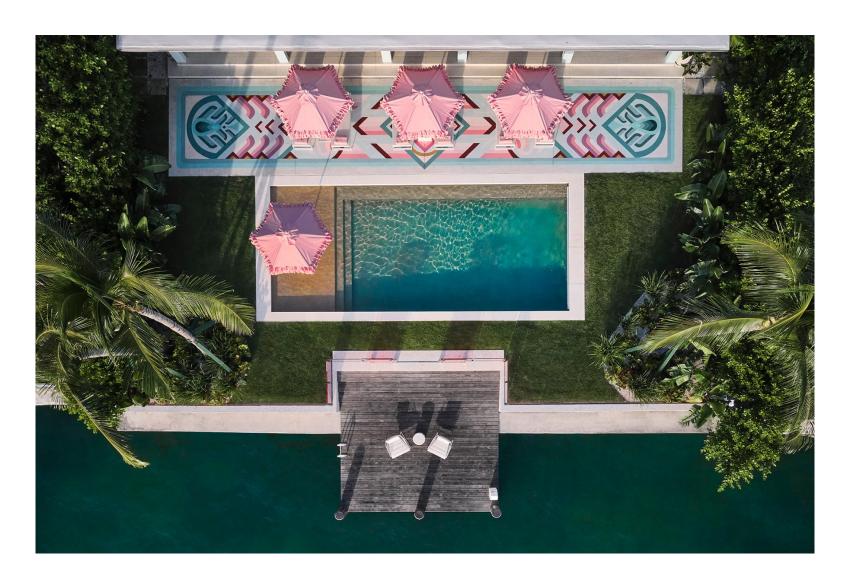
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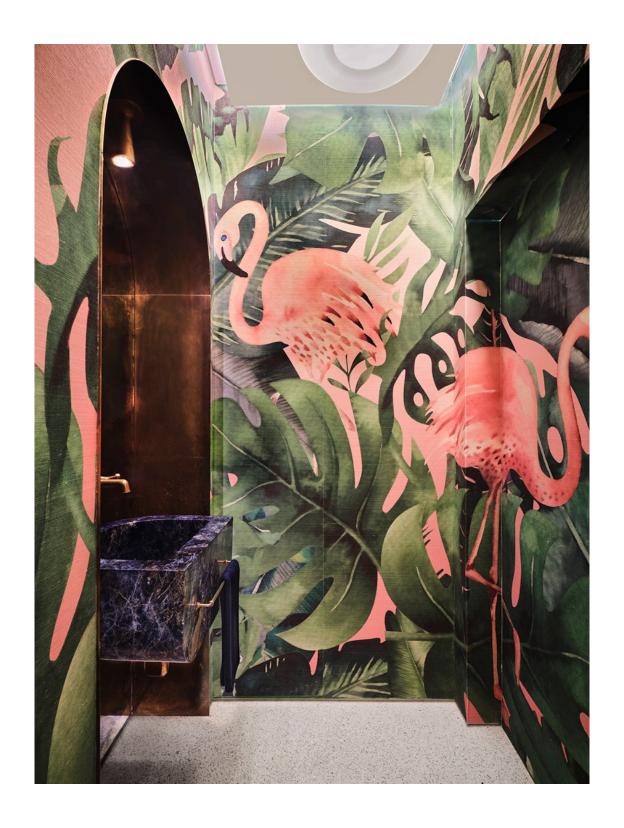
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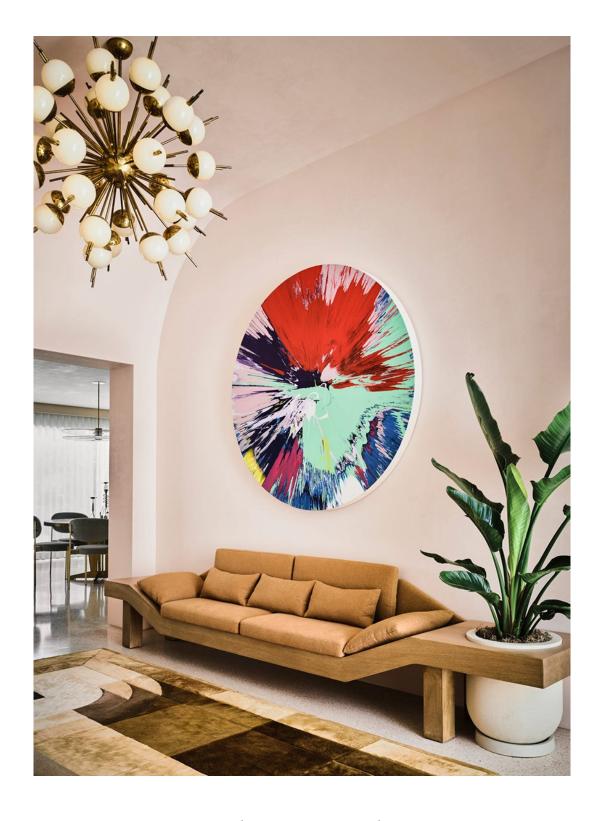
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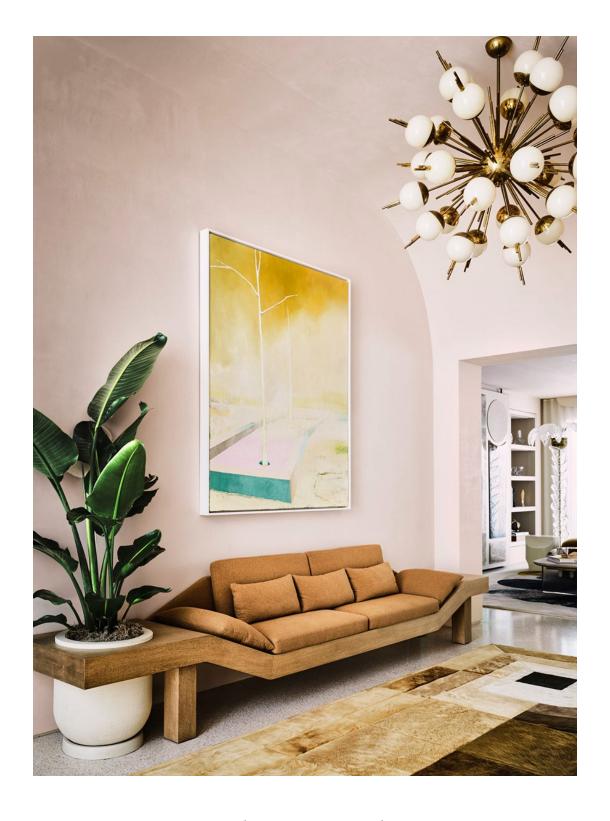
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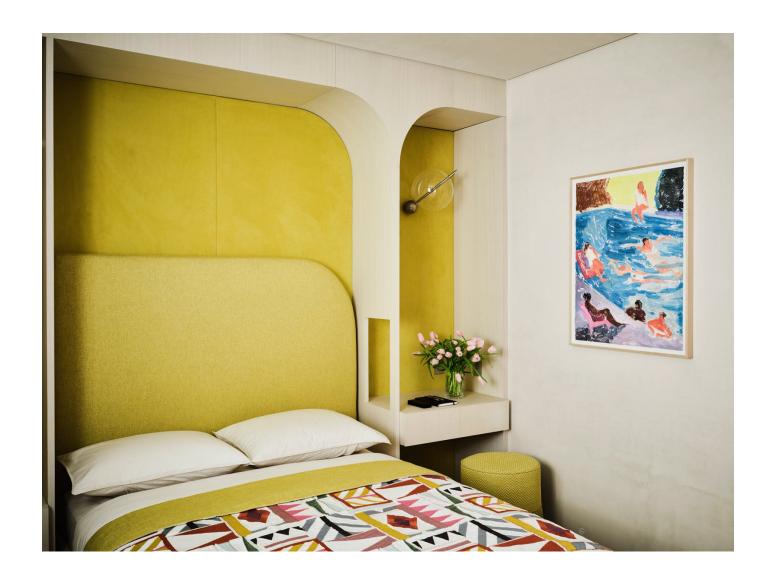
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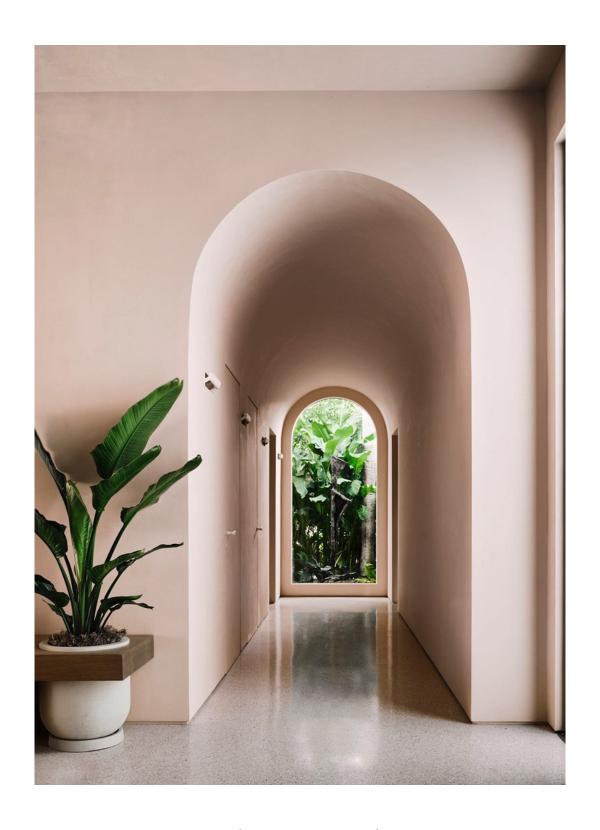
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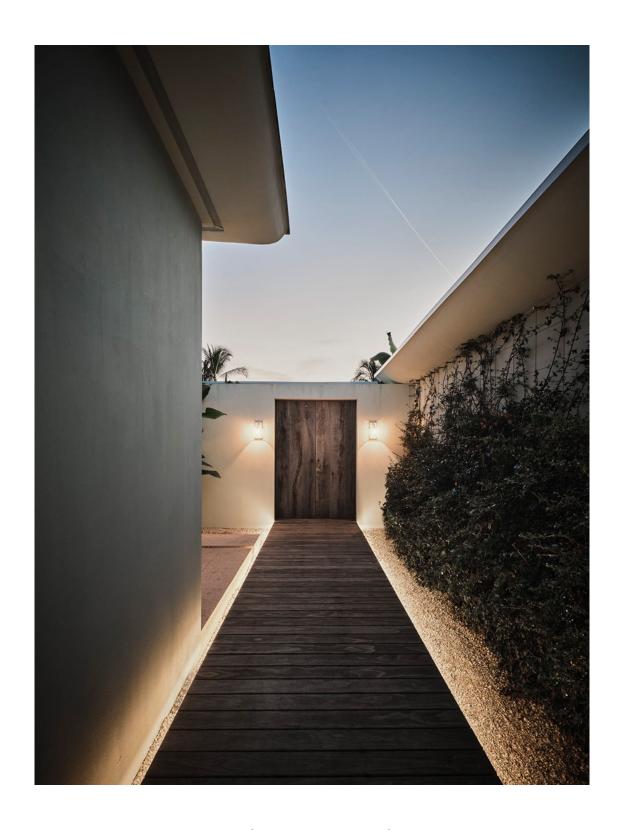
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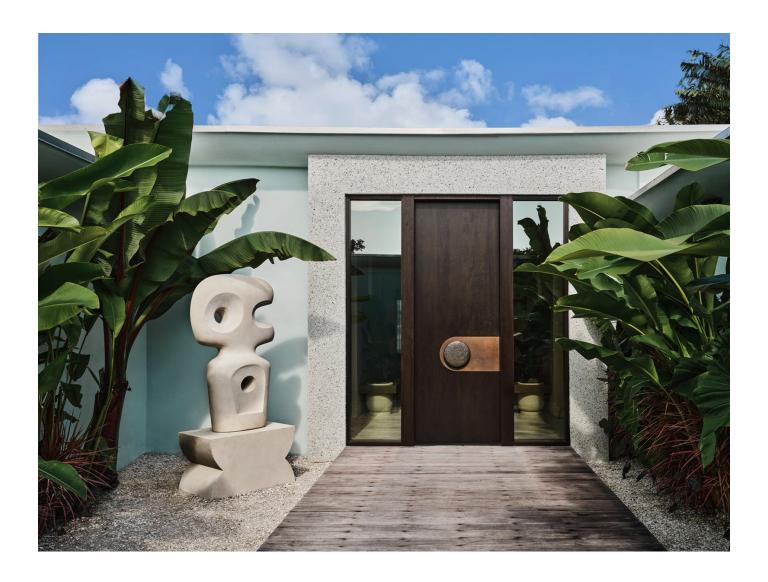
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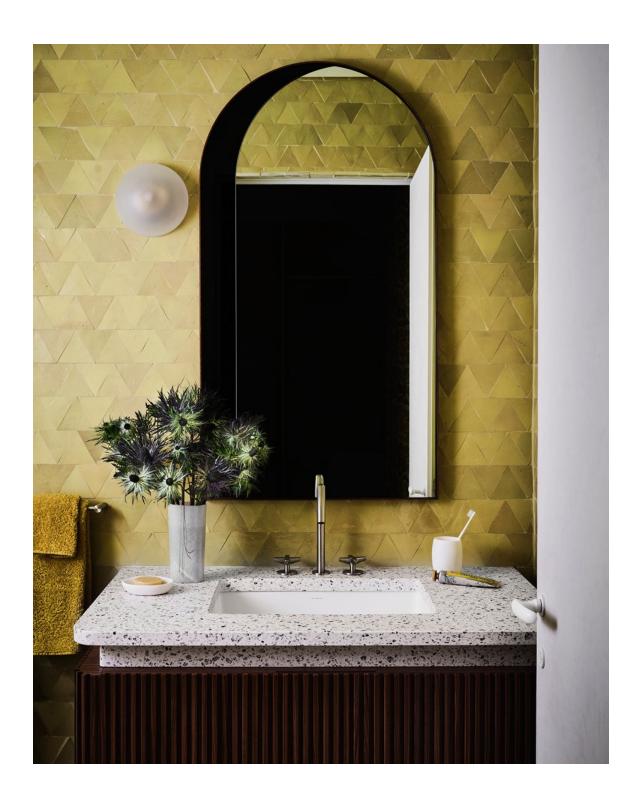
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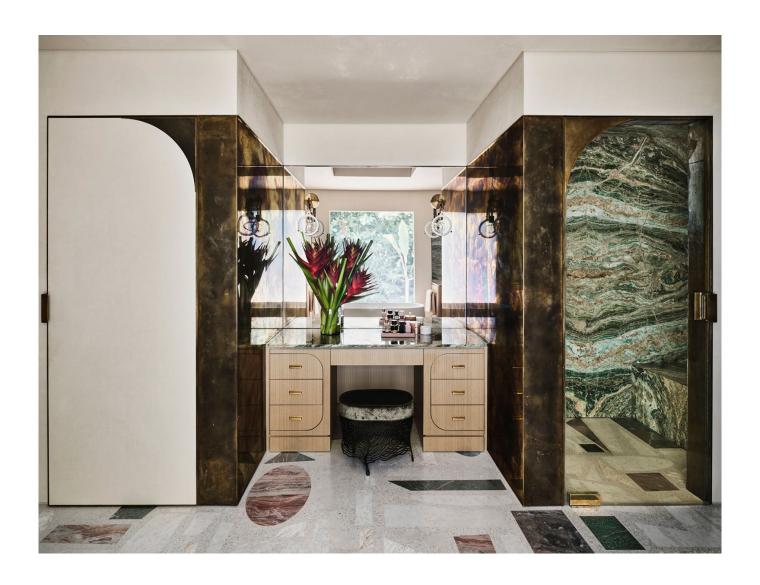
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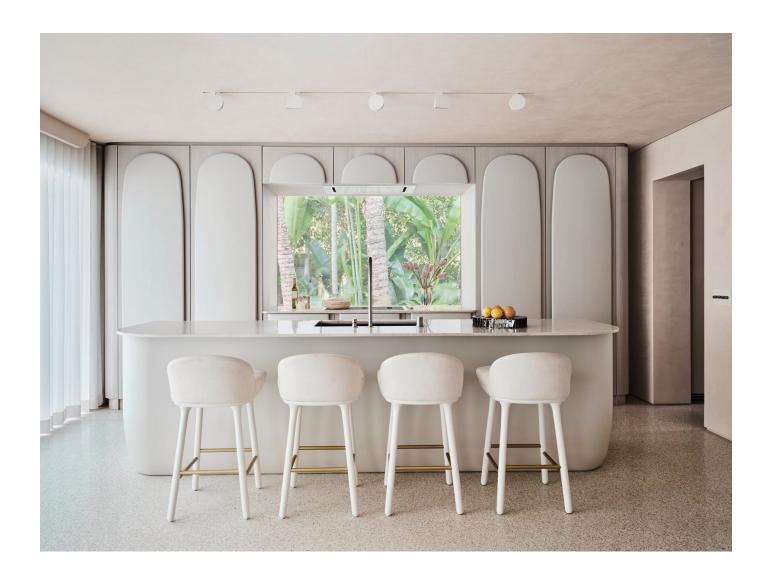
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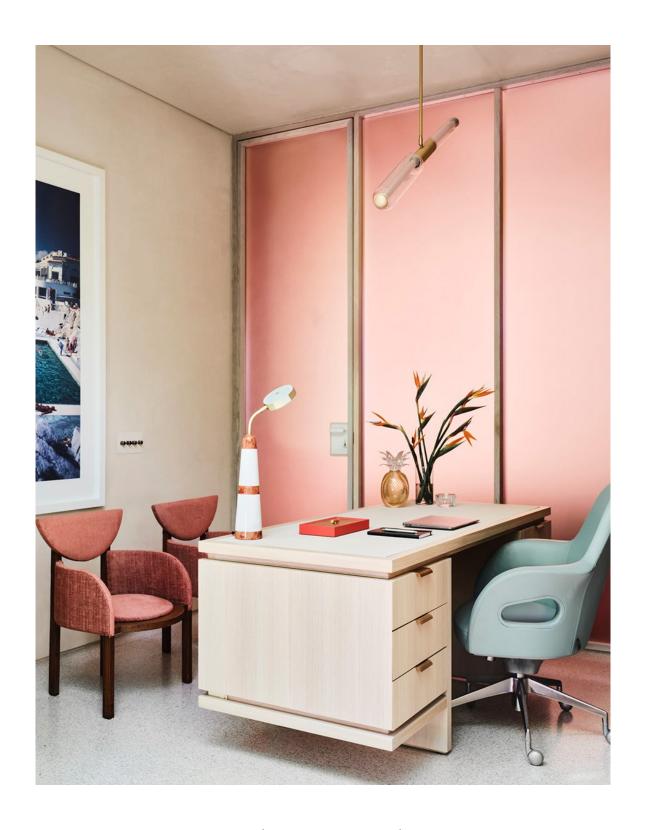
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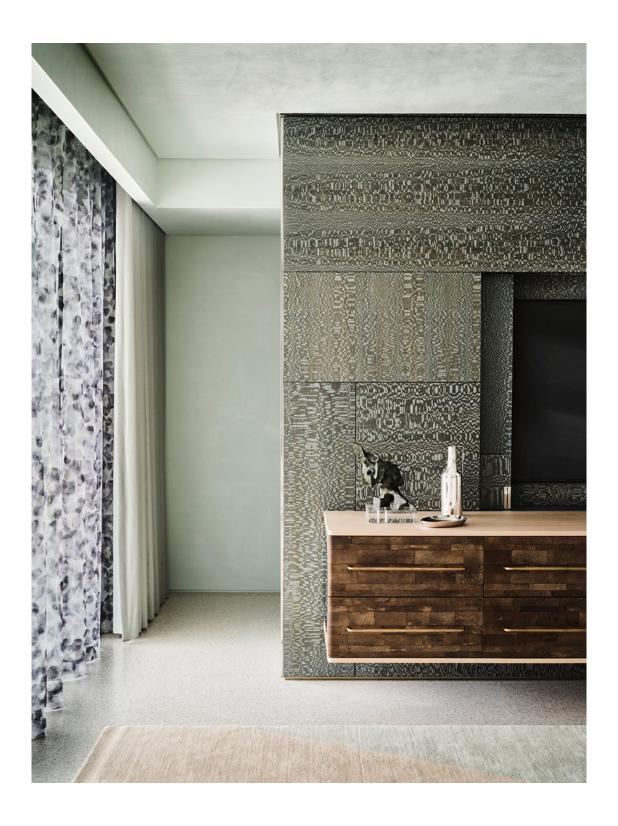
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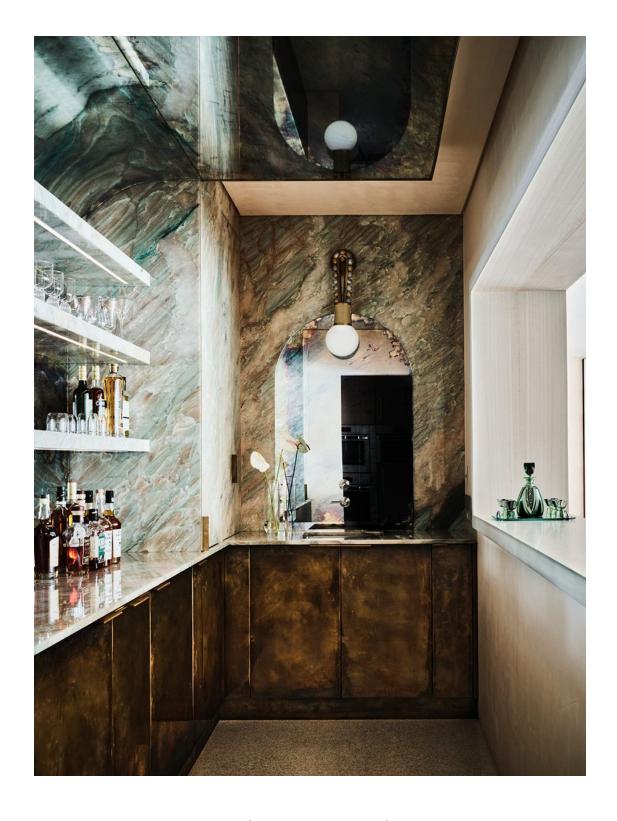
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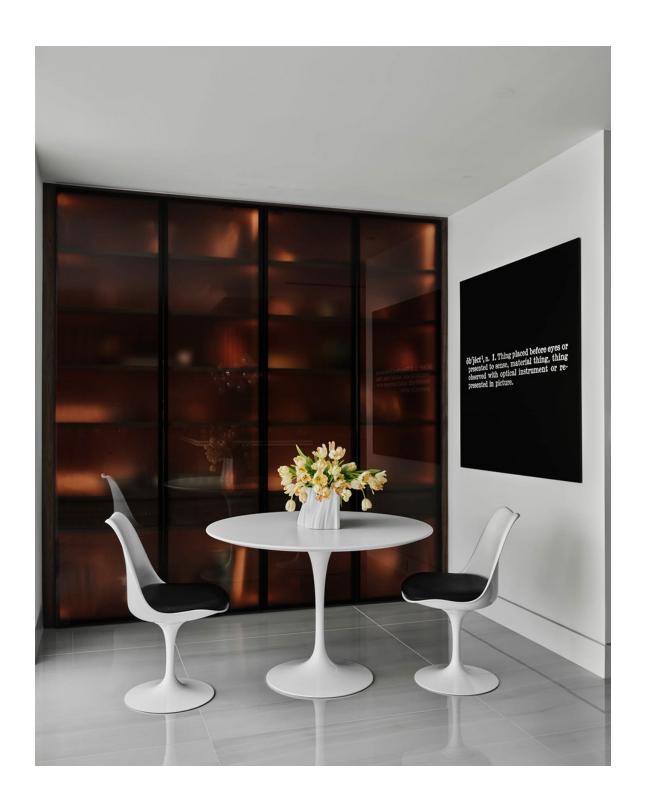
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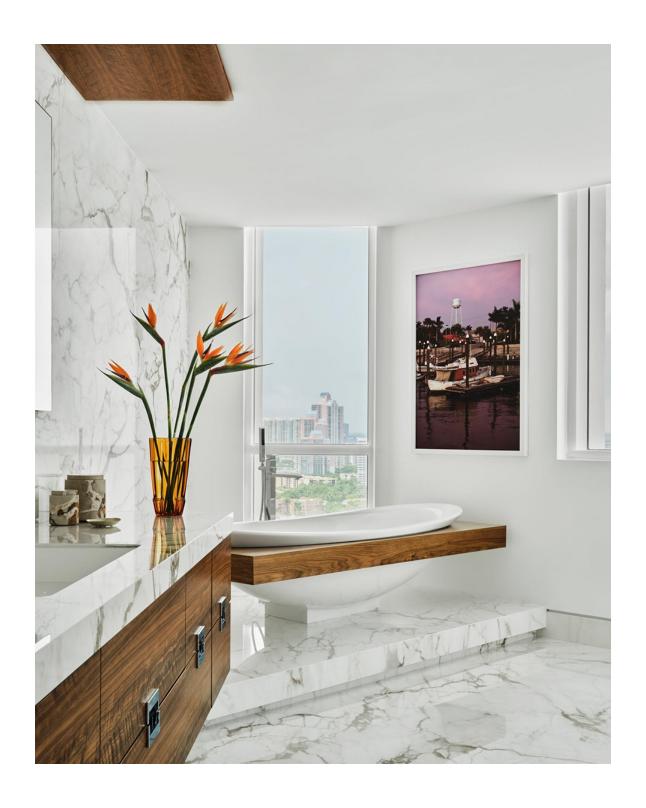
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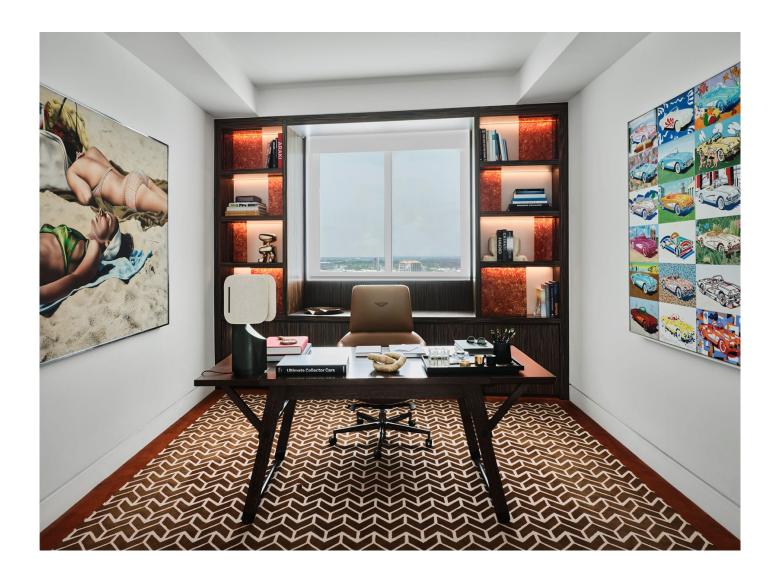
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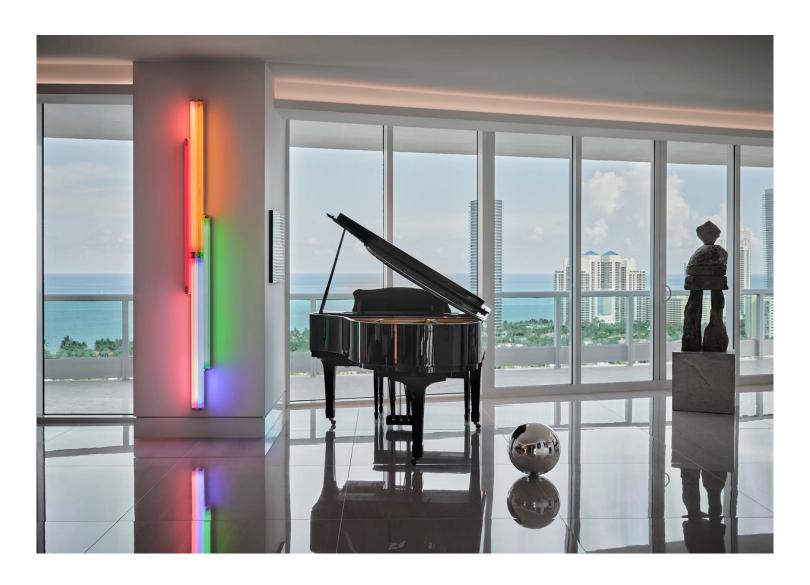
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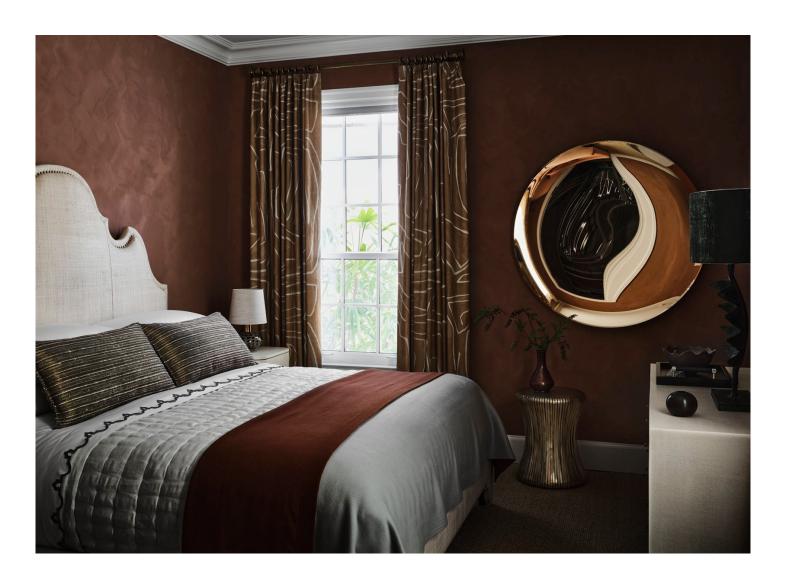
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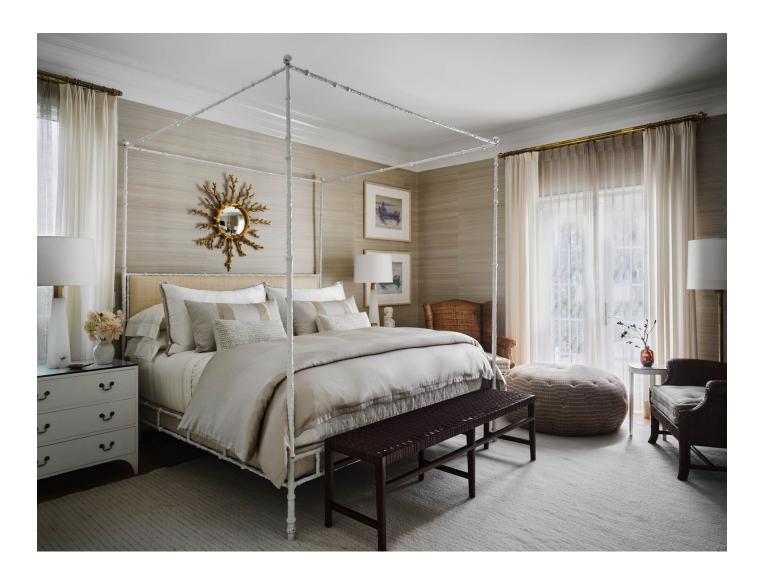
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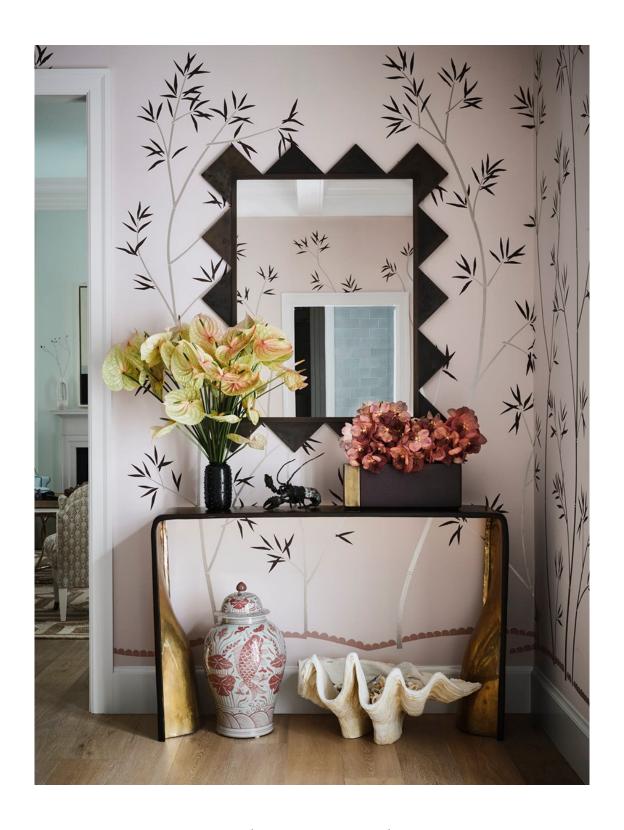
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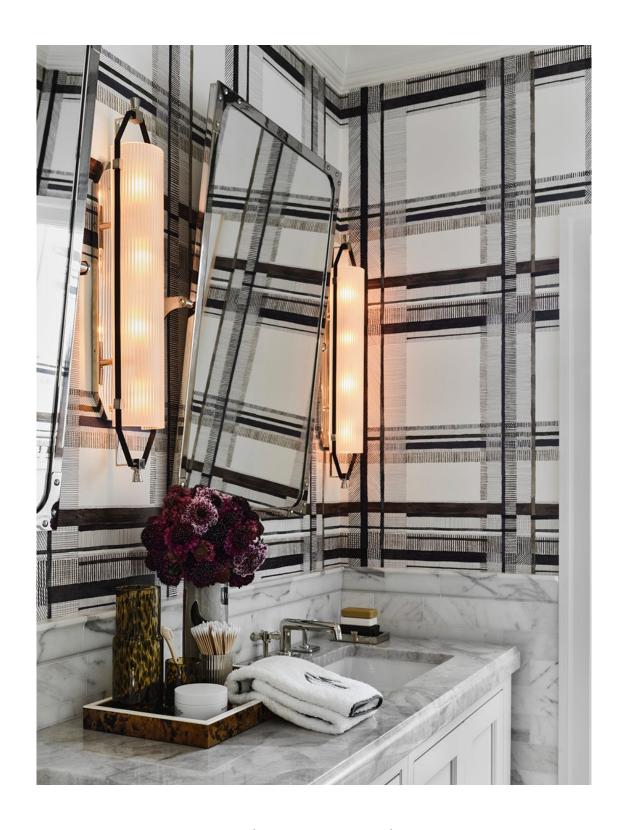
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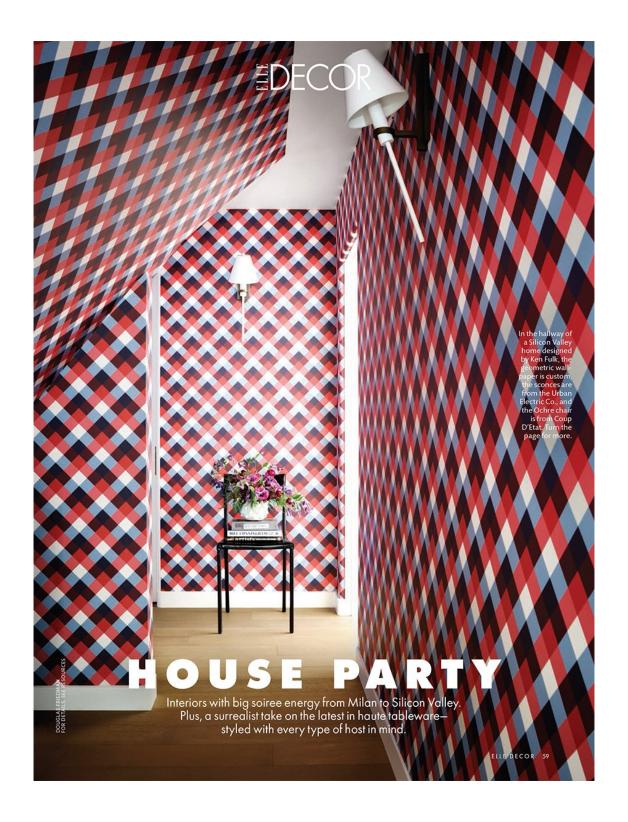
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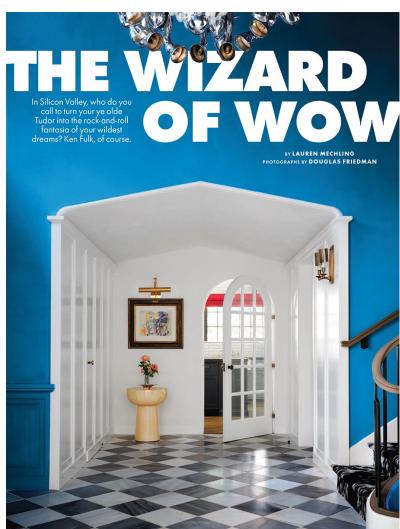


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HE SILICON VALLEY TOWN OF WOODSIDE, California, is not lacking in unicorns. Nestled in the foothills of the mountains just west of Stanford University, the woodsy enclave is teeming with tech billionaires, including Laurene Powell Jobs, Larry Ellison, and Soft-Bank founder Masayoshi Son.

The unicorns at this residence are slightly different. Fashioned of chrome and as shiny as disco balls, the mythset the stage for a home whose spellbinding eccentricity created by a who's who of the furniture-design world, the house is a cabinet of curiosities. It's also proof that the pushing of boundaries and the primacy of comfort can, in fact, live in equal balance.

"It started out as a garden project," says John Toya, the San Francisco architect who was tasked with reimagining the inside of the 1920s Tudor-style home. He came on board after landscape designer Roderick Wyllie had begun to update the five-acre lot-with its 100-foot-tall oak trees and gardens originally designed by Bay Area legend Thomas Church—and safeguard it against the region's surge in wildfires. The owners, who work in tech and entertainment and who have four children, started to ical creatures ringing the chandelier in the front entrance look inward, specifically at the design of their home, which was heavy on Italianate details and short on ceiling height. only intensifies upon further exploration. Stocked with a They wanted a gym and, while they were at it, to move one to-die-for modern art collection and auction-worthy pieces of the children's bedrooms to be closer to the others on the top floor. "There was no flow," Toya says. "Everything was

> Like a Rubik's Cube that needed to be reset in order to solve the puzzle, the redesign of the 8,000-square-foot ▷

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ABOVE: In the living room, the sofa, ottomans, and side table are from Coup

ottomans, and side table are from Coup D'Eat, the red Campana Brothers armchair is from Carpenters Workshop Gallery, and the Valdmirk Kapan swivel chairs are in Coromandel by Pierre Frey. The curtains are of a Dedar wool-crot jacquard, the wallcovering is by Pierre Frey, the carpe it by Merida, and the artwork is by Knafes Gaines. RIGHT, FROM TOP: The Sebastian Brajkovic bench in the solarium is from David Gill Gallery. the bents tands are by Sirak. and

bench in the solarium is from David Gill Gallery, the plant stands are by Sirak, and the chandelier is by Visual Comfort. The dining room's Vincenzo de Cotiis table is from Carpenters Workshop Gallery, the chairs are from R & Company, and the custom chandelier is by Stuart Haygarth.



Picasso, and Jean-Michel Basquiat-some of which didn't even fit on the previous walls.

The homeowner did not want her place to feel predictably of a piece, which meant there would be no easy through line for a designer to lean on. There would be pockets of both it to feel like every room and every part of the house was a different environment and atmosphere," she says. "Depending on where you are, you can be creative, have fun, have your horse up to the grocery store." parties, and just live in this ethereal wonderland."

whose dapper suits and razzle-dazzle stagecraft have made him a West Coast favorite (just ask Instagram cofounder he and his staffers do it themselves, designing and creating bespoke curtains, wallpaper, and furnishings for clients.

"I'm a storyteller," says Fulk, who oversees an 85-person team out of offices in San Francisco and New York City (think Andy Warhol's Factory meets Santa's workshop).

He imagined a rock-and-roll couple having fun at an English

home ended up touching on every room but two. A gut renovation allowed for the installation of a great room with hoodies to work; in Fulk's fantasyland, they buy priceless art high ceilings worthy of the family's stonking art collection, and party all night at a manor that's newly theirs. "I think including works by Cindy Sherman, Kehinde Wiley, Pablo accomplished people in Northern California almost feel obligated to not have to fit into norms," Fulk says, "There is a desire to set your own path."

He took an immediate liking to the clients. The couple already collected museum-quality furnishings and had a vision that was unapologetically out-there. "The goal was darkness and brightness, serenity and vibrancy, "We wanted to make our home worthy of such a unique environment as Woodside," the owner says. "There are horse trails throughout our town, but no sidewalks or streetlights. You can pull

Room by room, Fulk pictured spaces that provide com-To inject the wonderland feel, they turned to San Fran- fort, provoke conversation, and brook no cliché, "The whole cisco design impresario Ken Fulk, the man-about-town house is a Looney Tunes ode to artisans and artists of all sorts," he says. There's the living room, a low-slung oasis of statement furniture in outré yet cozy tones of salmon and Kevin Systrom or Fulk's newest BFF, Gigi Hadid). From hollandaise sauce. By the pool is a vintage-ish vignette, with flower delivery and party planning to nose-to-tail home striped umbrellas that conjure Patricia Highsmith by way design, Fulk's decor "think tank" does it all. What's more, of Palo Alto. The floral-curtained dining room channels an adolescent Diana Spencer until you notice the ornate marble slab that supports the table, designed by Italian architect Vincenzo de Cotiis.

"You can find moments of tranquillity in some rooms and energy in others," the owner says. "We loved the house For this home's story, he was feeling a casual decadence. before, and there was nothing wrong with it, but we made it our own. We made it fun."





ABOVE, FROM LEFT: A Jean-Michel Basquiat painting anchors a wall in the great room; the Gregorius Pineo console is topped with a lamp from Elizabeth Street Gallery. A corner of the same space features curtains in a Nobilis flabric, a Studio Job table from Carpenters Workshop Gallery. Visual Comfort pendant, and artwork by David Battes. OPPOSITE: The great room bar has panels inset with Broome & Glies leather and a counterto. Sahara Noir marble. The barstools are by Ochre from Coup D'Etat, the ceiling pendant is by Johanna Grawunder, and the artwork is by Fischli & Weiss

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endeavor was no exception. For more than 20 years, the couple had owned a getaway in the area built by architect Addison Mizner and filled with chintzes and toiles, courtesy of Baird. With an eye toward a newer and sharper structure, they bought this mid-construction property that promised light and youthfulness. "I wanted a house that was modern and relevant, but comfortable," explains Andrea, who has four grandchildren between her daughter, Ashley, the creative director of Stark, and her son, Austin, who works at Stark and is also a filmmaker.

Wetson came on board while the house was still being built to help with feedback on floor colors, lighting, faucets, medicine cabinets, and bathrooms (all of which are in Caesarstone for practicality). With her guidance, the Starks began to furnish the space with pedigreed midcentury and Scandinavian furniture, punctuated with modern and contemporary art by names like John Baldessari, Rob Pruitt, and Sterling Ruby. The foyer has a pair of Guillerme et Chambron chairs; just behind them hangs a joyful pink

Donald Robertson drawing-executed on the back of a pizza shop on Manhattan's Lower East Side. Meanwhile, in the Bergdorf Goodman. In a hallway hangs a blue-and-red geometric painting by Neil Williams, one of a pair that Andrea Beach's South Dixie Highway antiques row. (Works by Williams now go at auction for easily 300 times that amount.)

The ground floor features four flowing social spaces. While on a 2019 trip to the Paris design fair Maison & Objet, grounded the light-filled living room with two custom semicircular sofas covered in dual tones of the same nubby textile; a trio of vintage droplet-shaped brass-and-glass cocktail tables; and a silver Stark carpet to finish the space. its custom mohair sofa and black leather chairs found in a seem calmer."

box—that Andrea picked up on a whim while shopping at sunroom, Andrea invites friends for rounds of canasta in a space anchored by a Roger Capron ceramic cocktail table.

Upstairs, where there are five bedrooms, relaxation purchased for \$400 apiece a few years back on West Palm reigns. Austin's room has a driftwood four-poster bed, a pinstriped carpet, and surfboards for a cooler vibe, while a guest bedroom has a silver textual artwork by Rob Wynne, an Edward Wormley bench, vintage Marge Carson nightstands, and faux bois ceramic lamps from the antiques Andrea asked Baird to help outfit these public areas, Baird dealer Glen Leroux, whom Andrea met and befriended at a design fair at New York City's Park Avenue Armory.

Yes, nearly every facet of this Hamptons house is a testament to Andrea's inability-endearingly so-to separate the business of design from the deeply personal act of creating a (Unsurprisingly, all of the luxuriously cozy fabrics through- living space, After all, what is a home if not a place to share out the home are from Stark brands like Scalamandré, and with the people you adore? "I love my friends and family, John hand-selected each and every Stark floorcovering.) A says Andrea, who currently counts Palm Beach as her pri playful Gilbert & George painting hangs in the library, with mary residence. "I wanted a place where the world would

OR ANDREA STARK, THE SAME PRINCIple of generosity that encapsulates her gracious entertaining spirit also served as a guiding force when it came to the creation of her Hamptons home. A devoted philanthropist, Andrea has been a longtime chair of such causes as Citymeals on Wheels, the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and Tri-County Animal Rescue, on whose behalf she regularly hosts events. Along with her husband, John, who is the second-generation president of Stark, his family's 83-year-old textiles company, she is fully enmeshed in the design industry. So when it came time to imagine interiors for the new-build, modern barn house that the couple purchased in 2018, clearly just one interior designer wouldn't do. Fortunately, Andrea happens to have two dear friends

who were happy to assist her with her vision for a beach house that melds breeziness with collection-worthy furniture and eve-catching contemporary art. "Philosophically, I think people should not work for

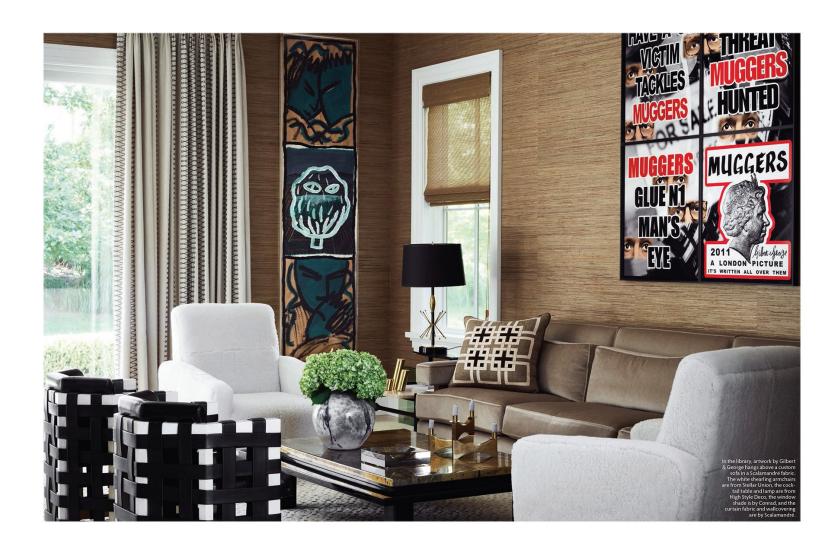
friends," says Penny Drue Baird, the author of four books on decorating and a longtime friend of Andrea's, "But there's a beauty to working with someone you know extremely well."

Ilene Wetson, who was Andrea's maid of honor and who worked for the architect Peter Marino for more than a decade, calls her friend and client "very, very courageous and adventuresome" when it comes to design, "She likes the idea of layering and making it better and moving things around," she says.

Both Baird and Wetson have contributed to past homes for the Starks in places as varied as Manhattan; Palm Beach; Stowe, Vermont; and Vail, Colorado, In each case, Andrea has expressed her own hands-on ideas, and this Hamptons

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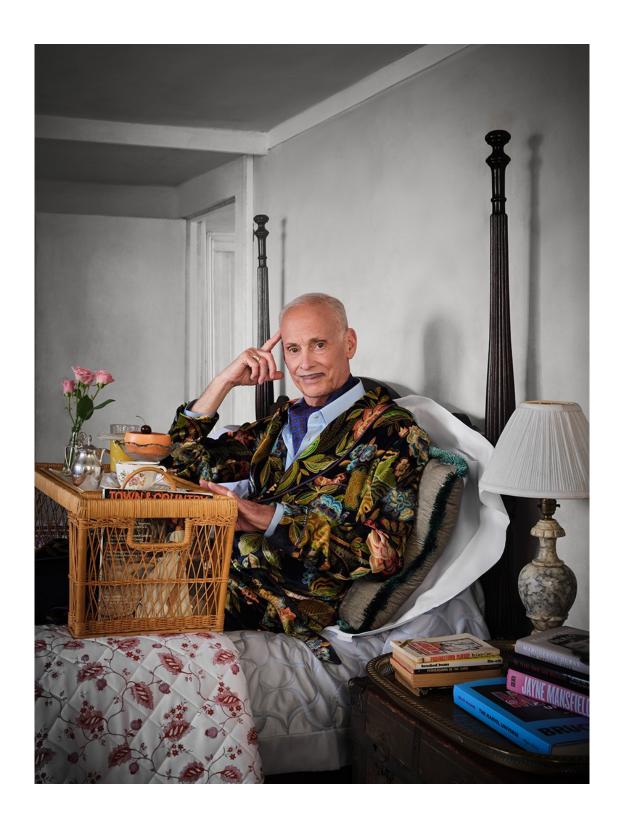




CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: In the sunroom, the vintage console is by Raymond Loewy, the bench is from Holly Hunt, and the artwork is by John Baldessari. The main bathroom has a Jacuzzi tub and side tables by Mecox Gardens; the floor is clad in Orcca marble by Marmiro Stonas uses the droom that as a bed by RH. Restoration Hardware flanked by vintage Marge Carson injektands and lamps from Glen Leroux: the bench is by Edward Wormley, the chair is by the Kofod-Larsen, the curtains are of a Scalamandré fabric, and the artwork over the bed is by Rob Wynne.



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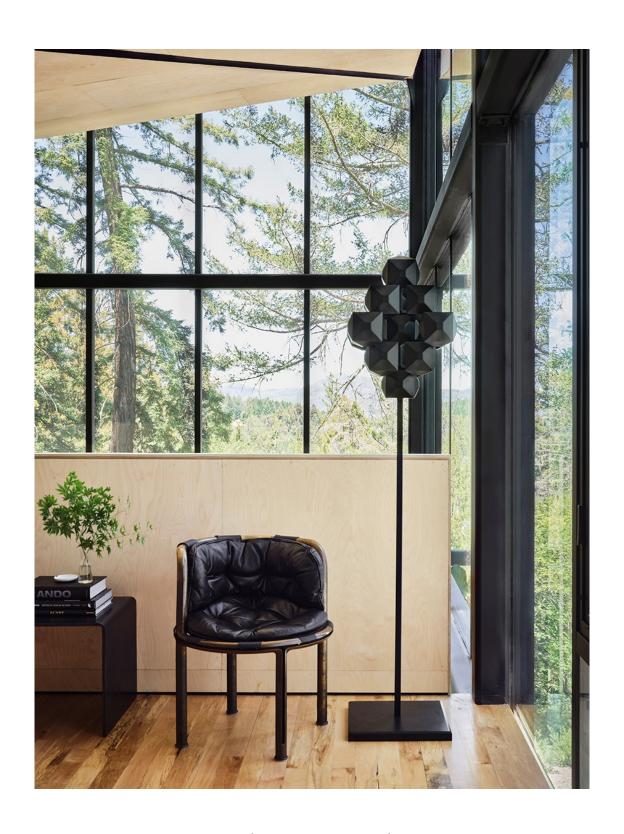
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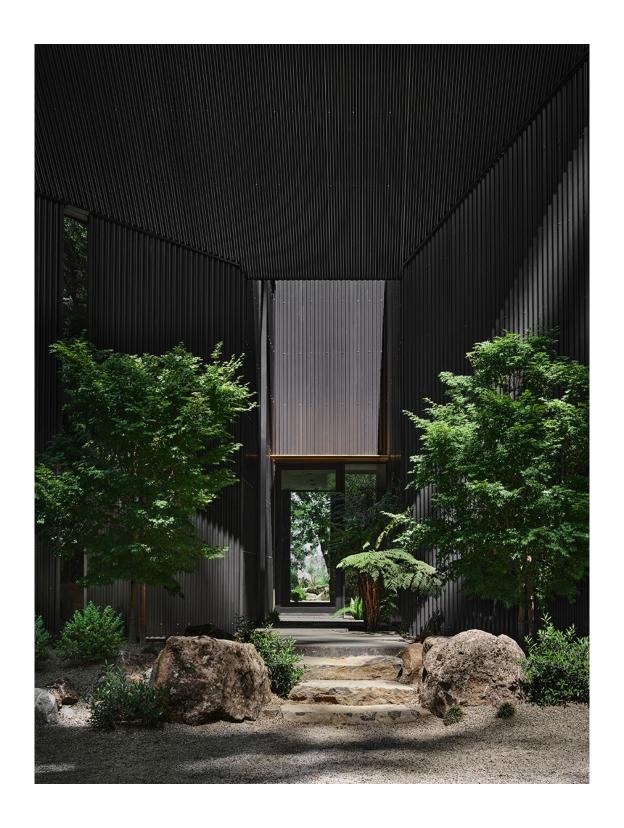
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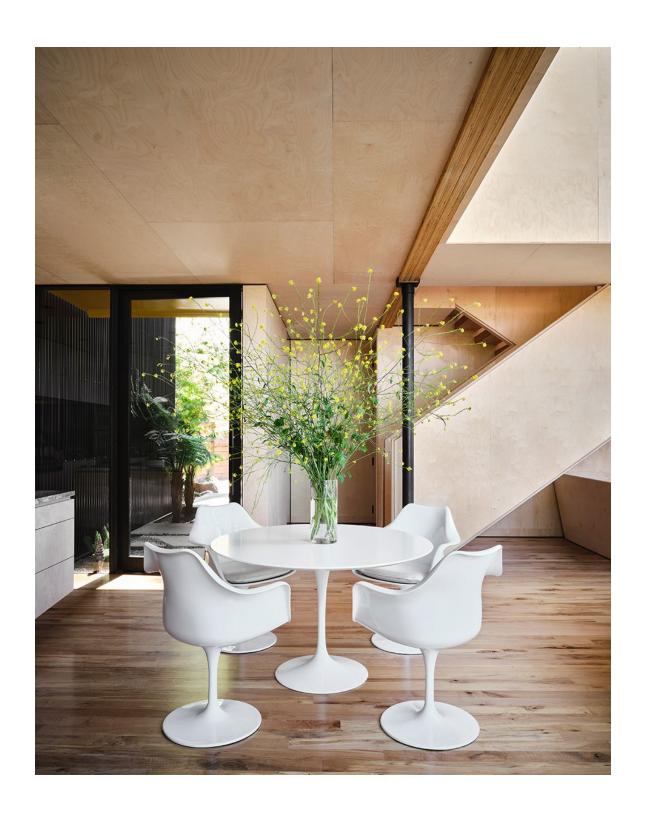
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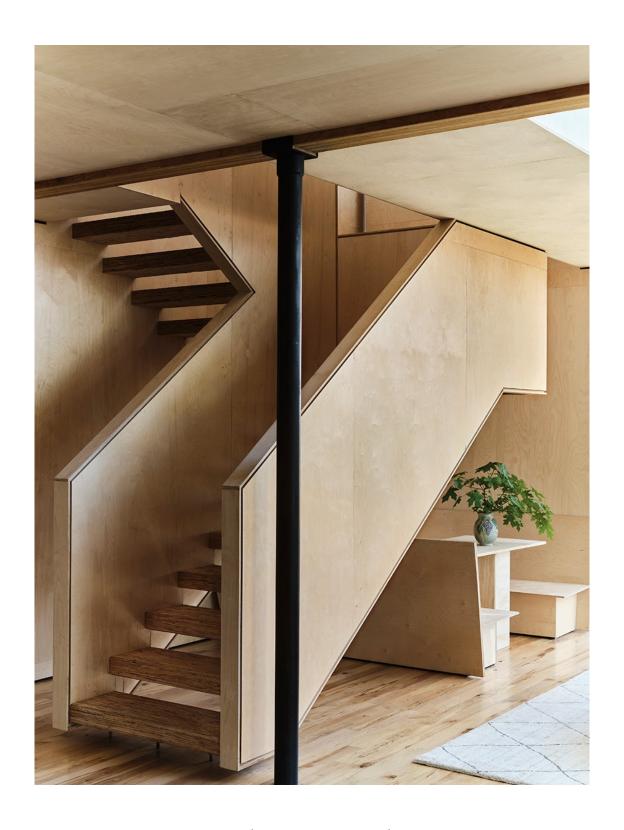
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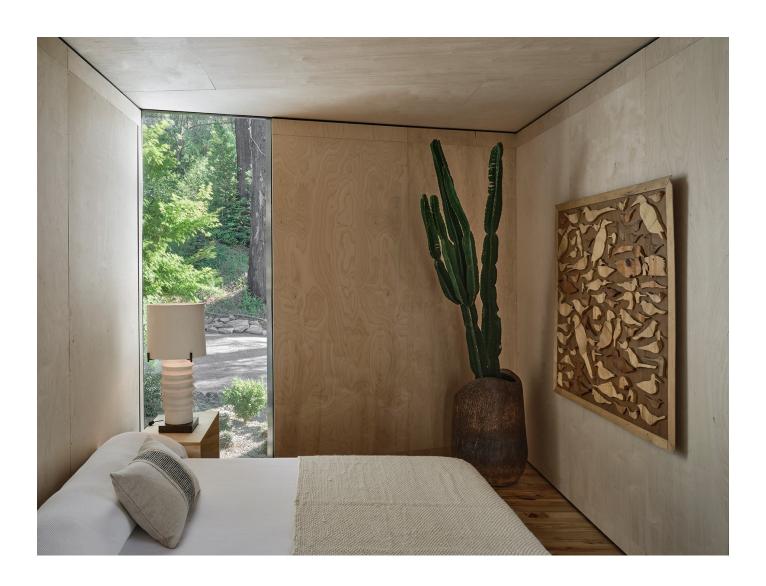
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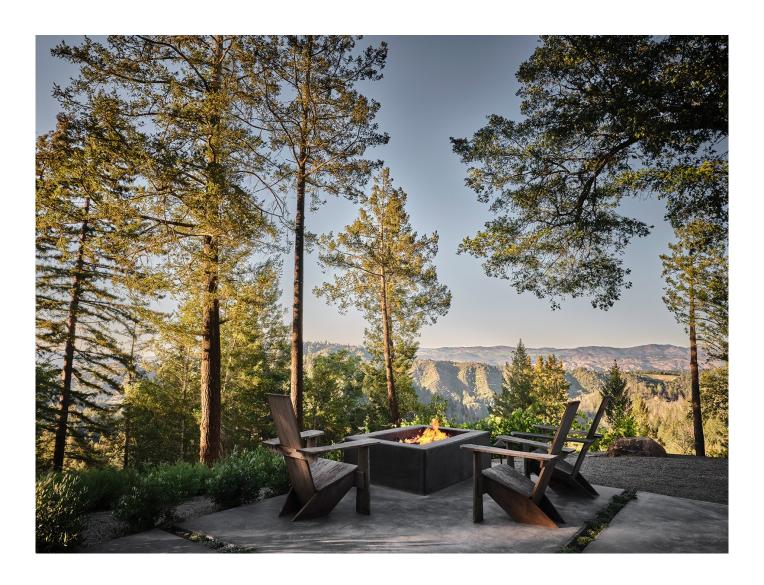
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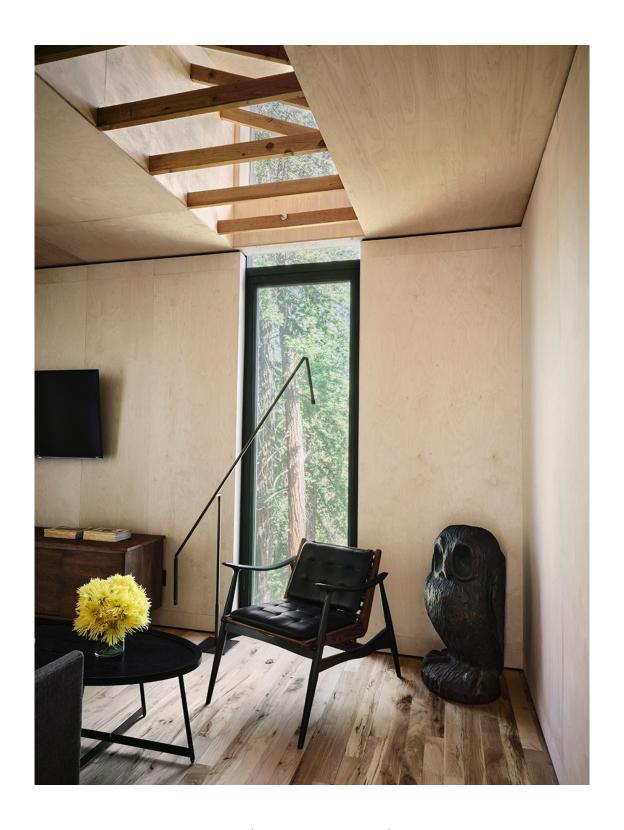
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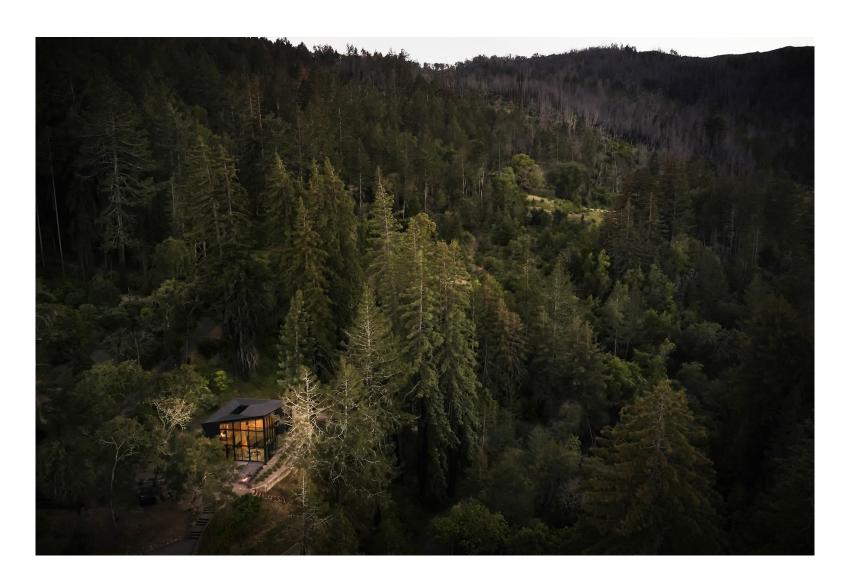
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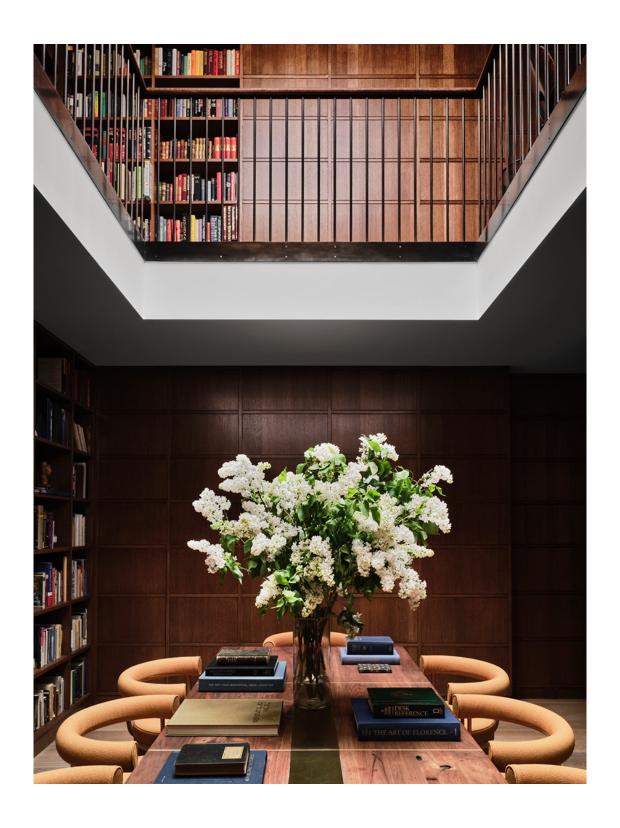
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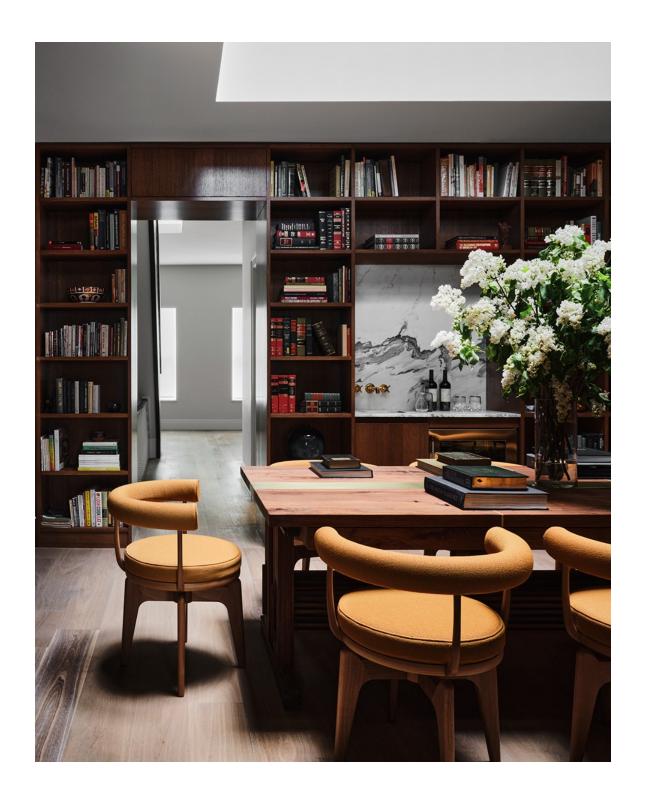
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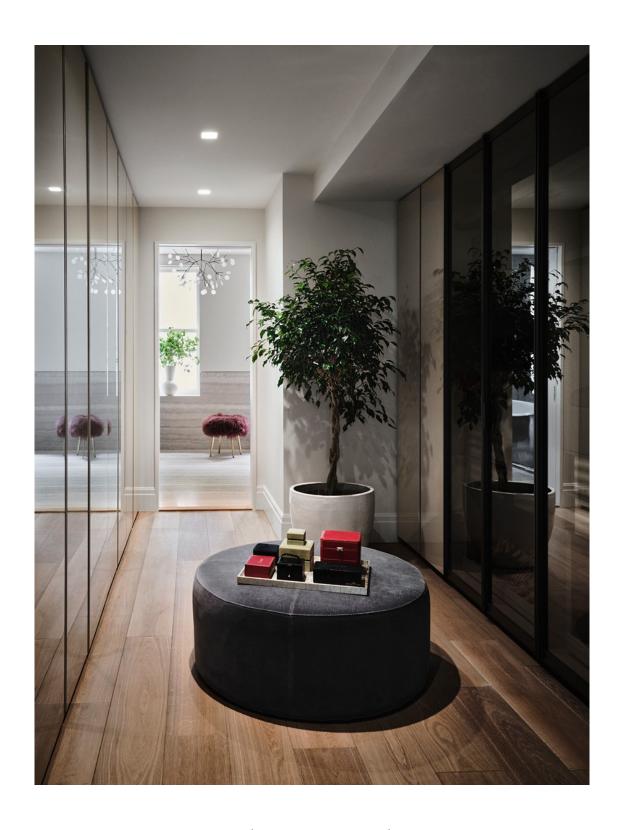
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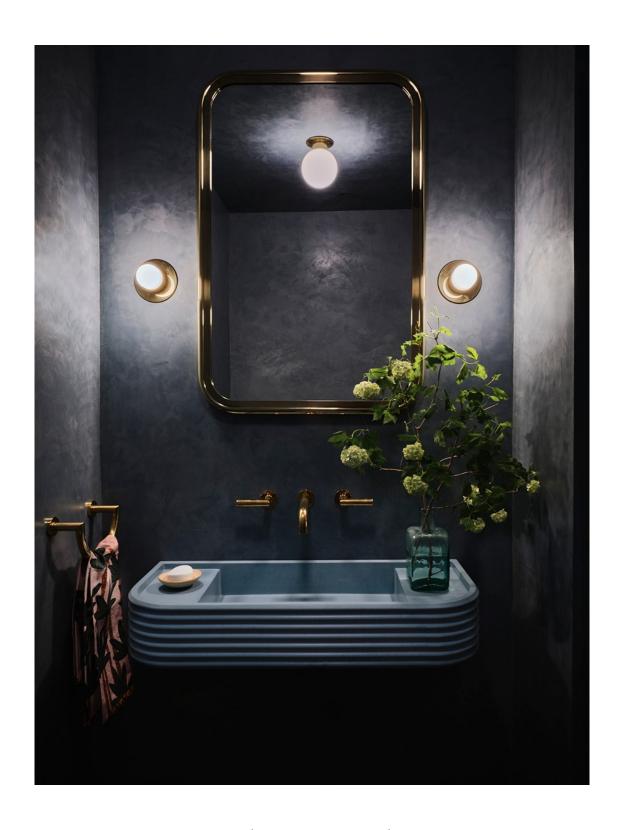
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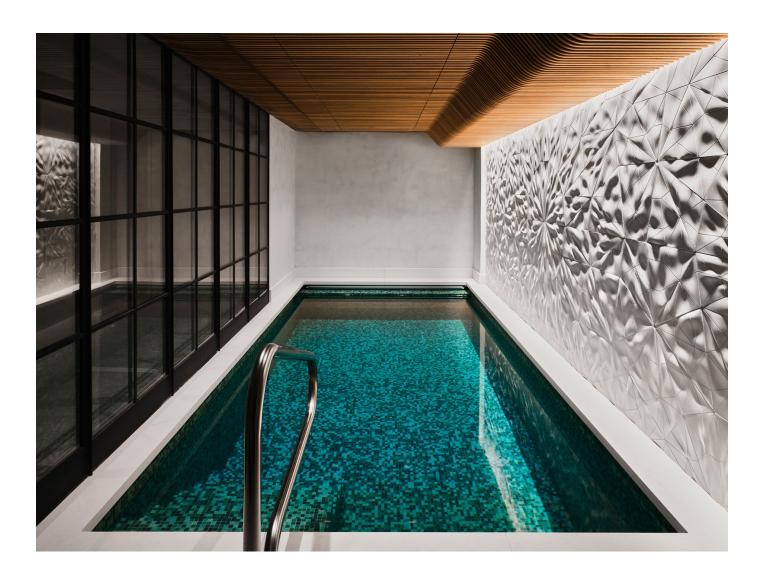
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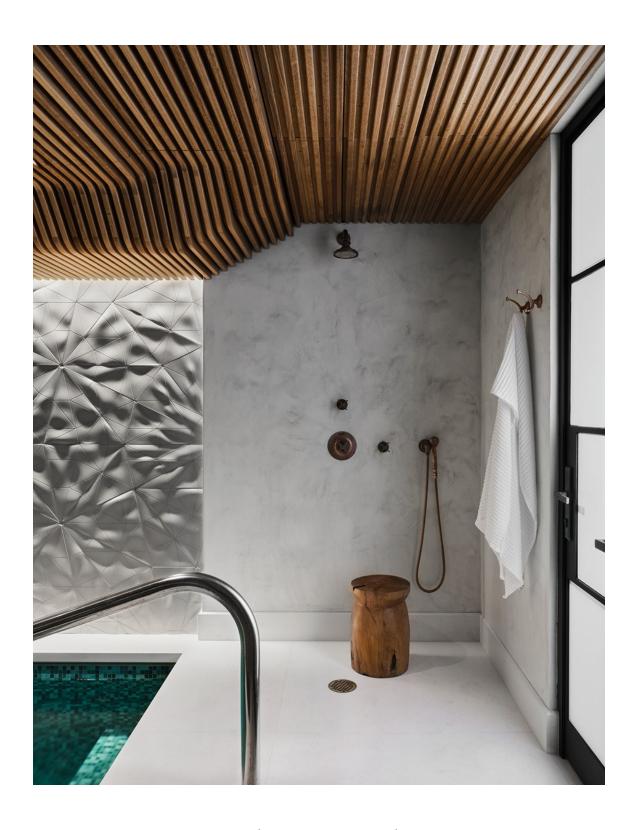
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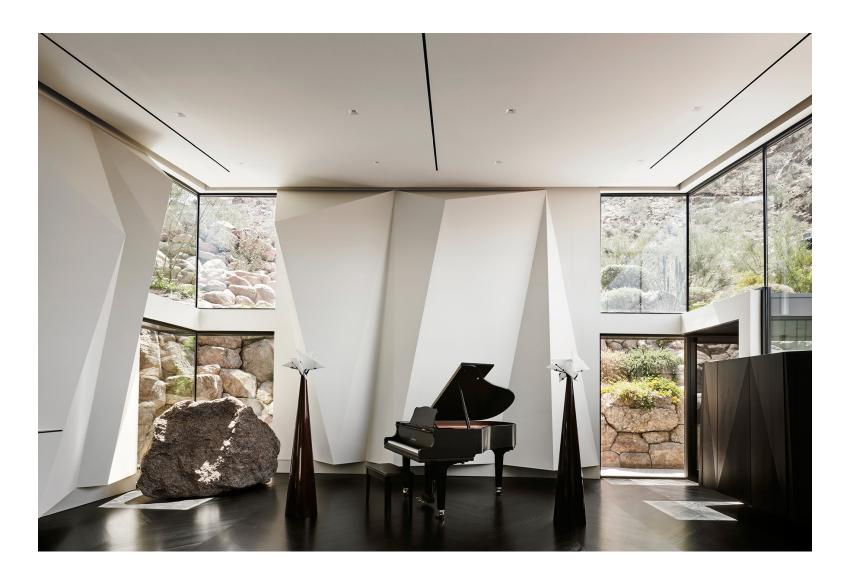
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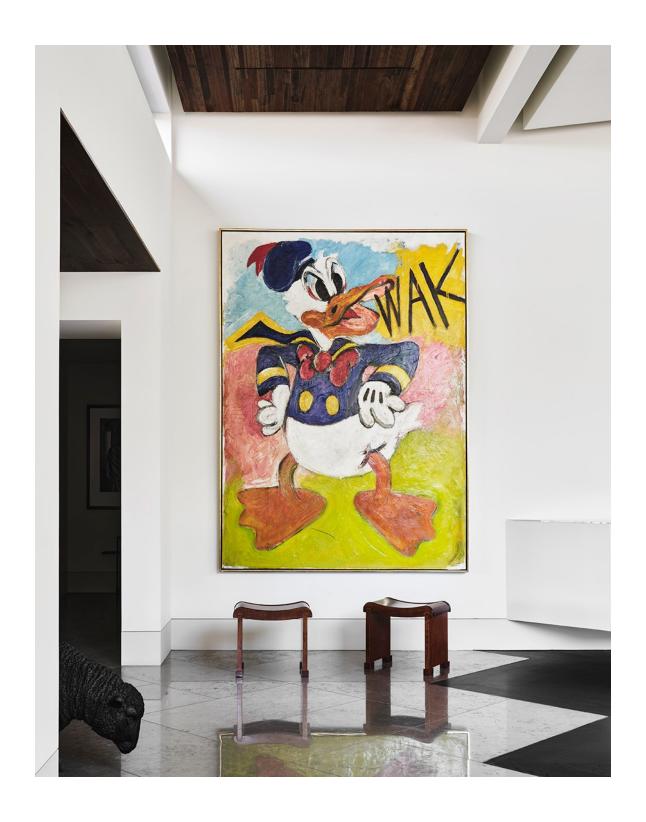
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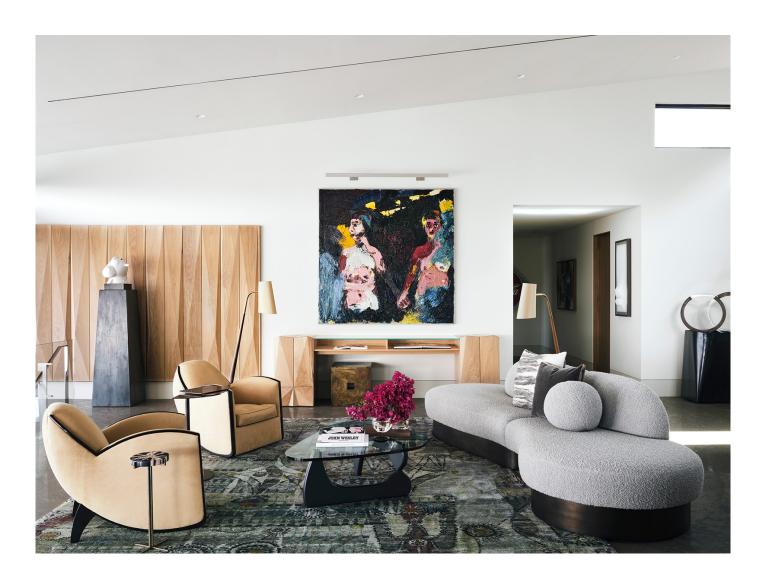
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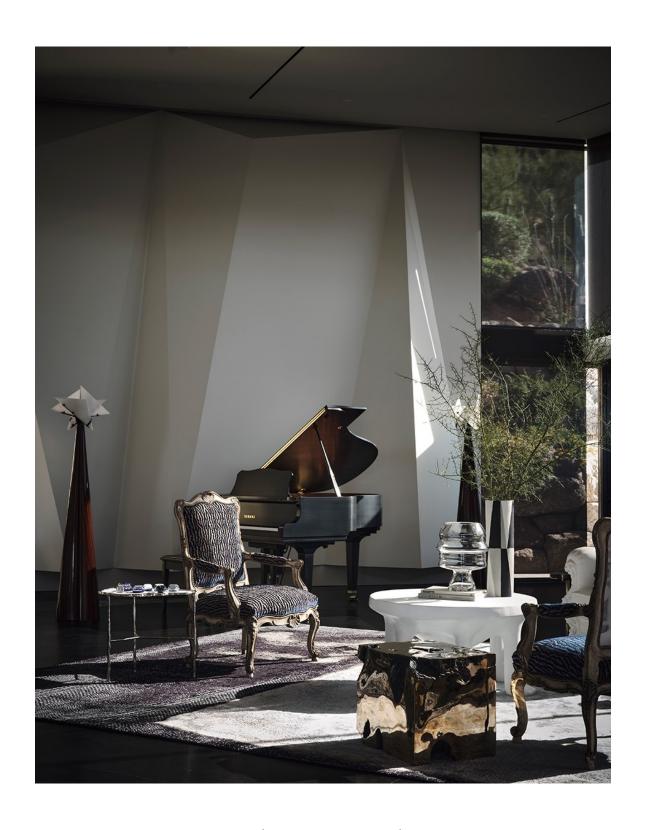
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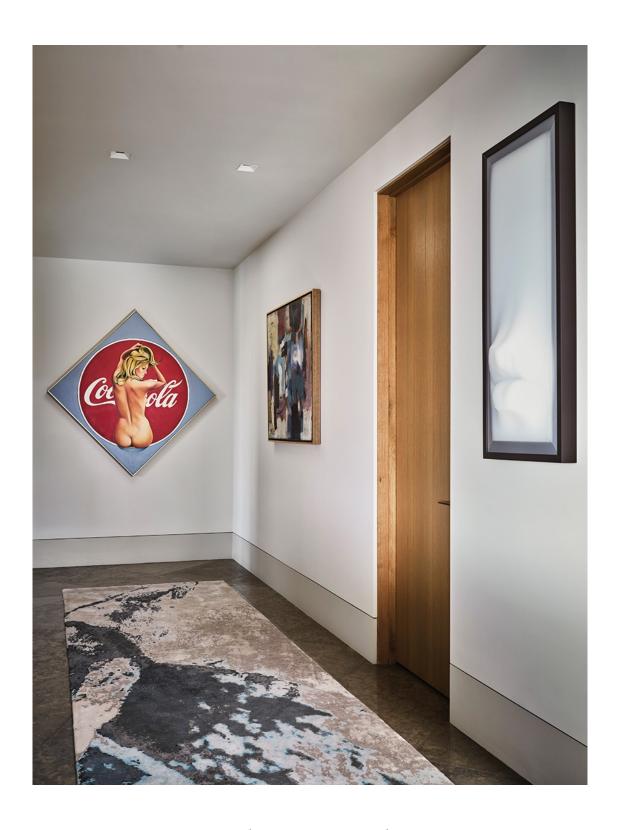
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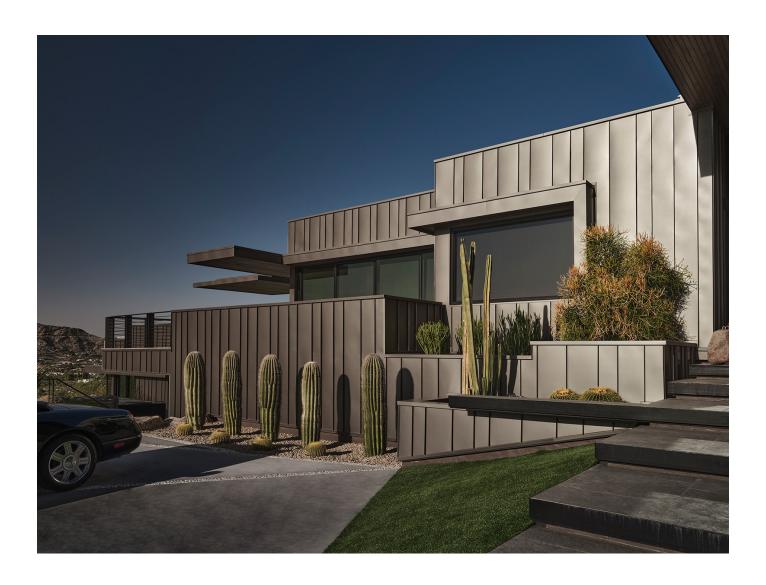
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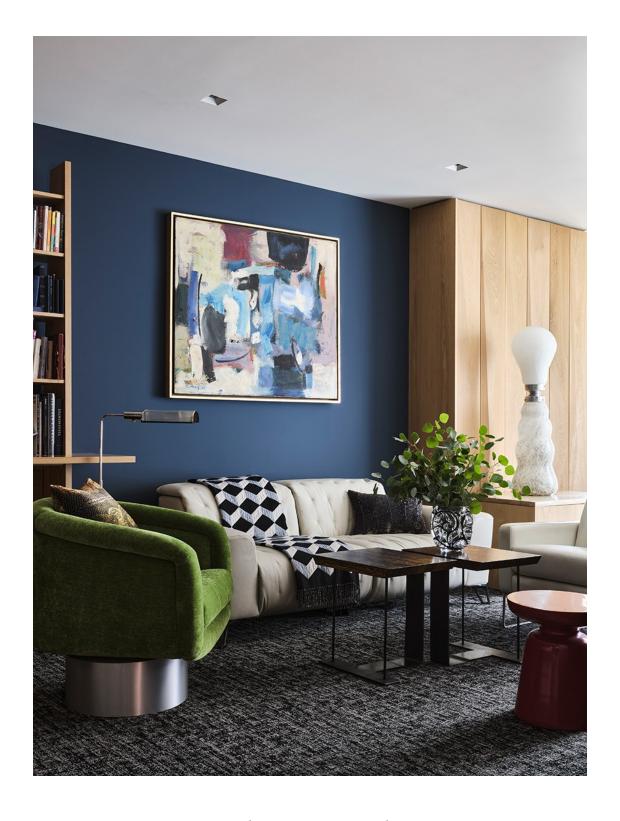
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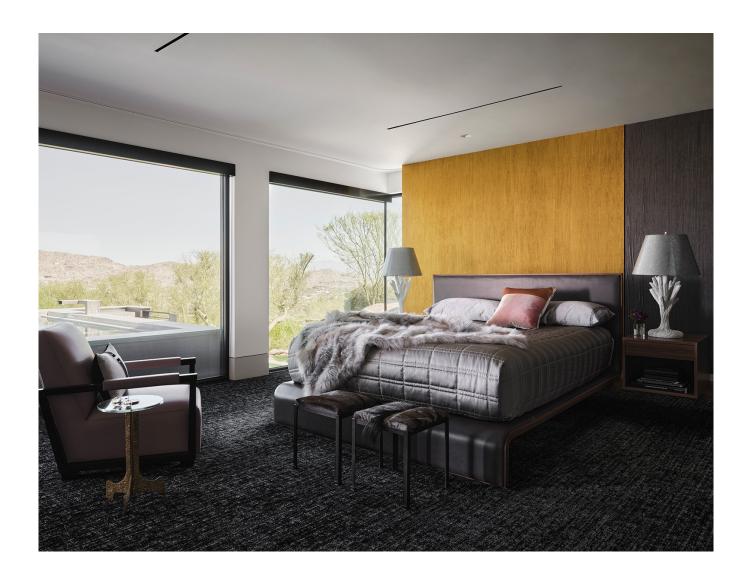
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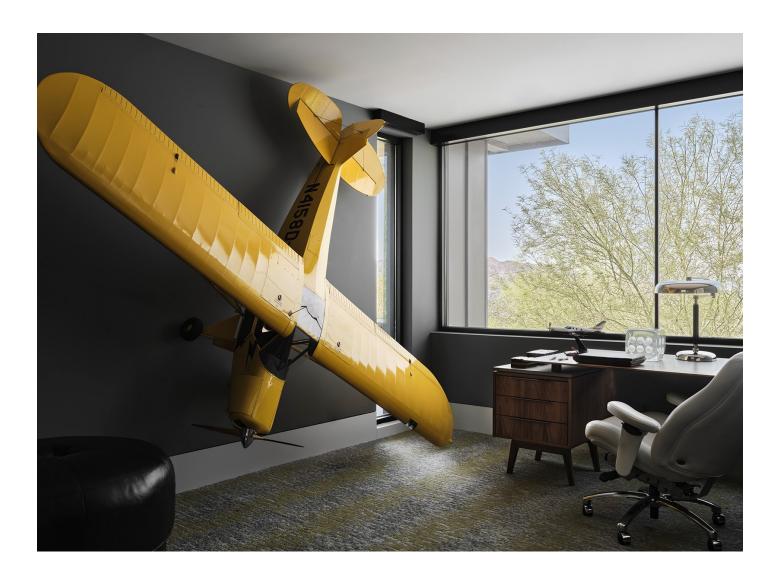
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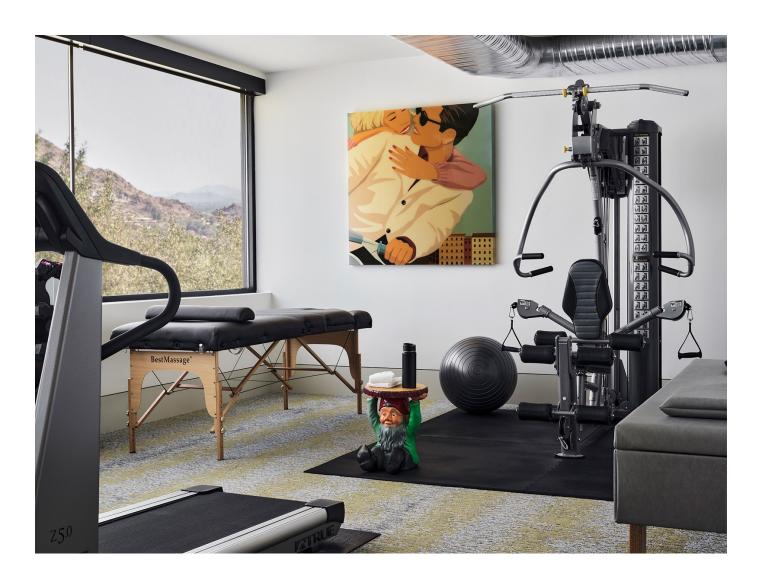
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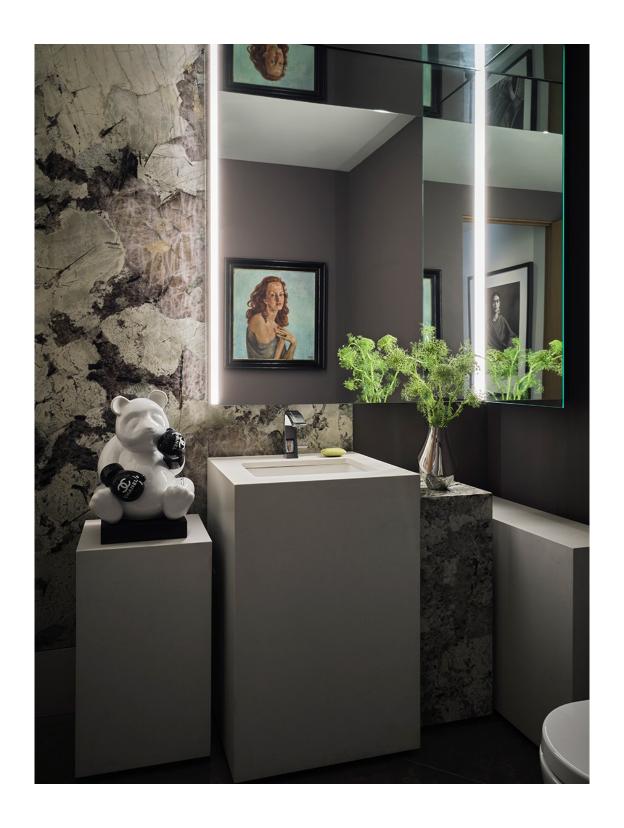
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