

Our clients for this project are a fabulous, sophisticated couple. The best kind of client, who truly appreciates great design, has vision, and is willing to take “risks” to attain breathtaking results. They each have a busy work life, and a very large social circle. The objective for their home was to fuse a contemporary, calm and pleasing ambiance for them to come home to at the end of a long day, while still cultivating the ultimate space for the many parties they host.

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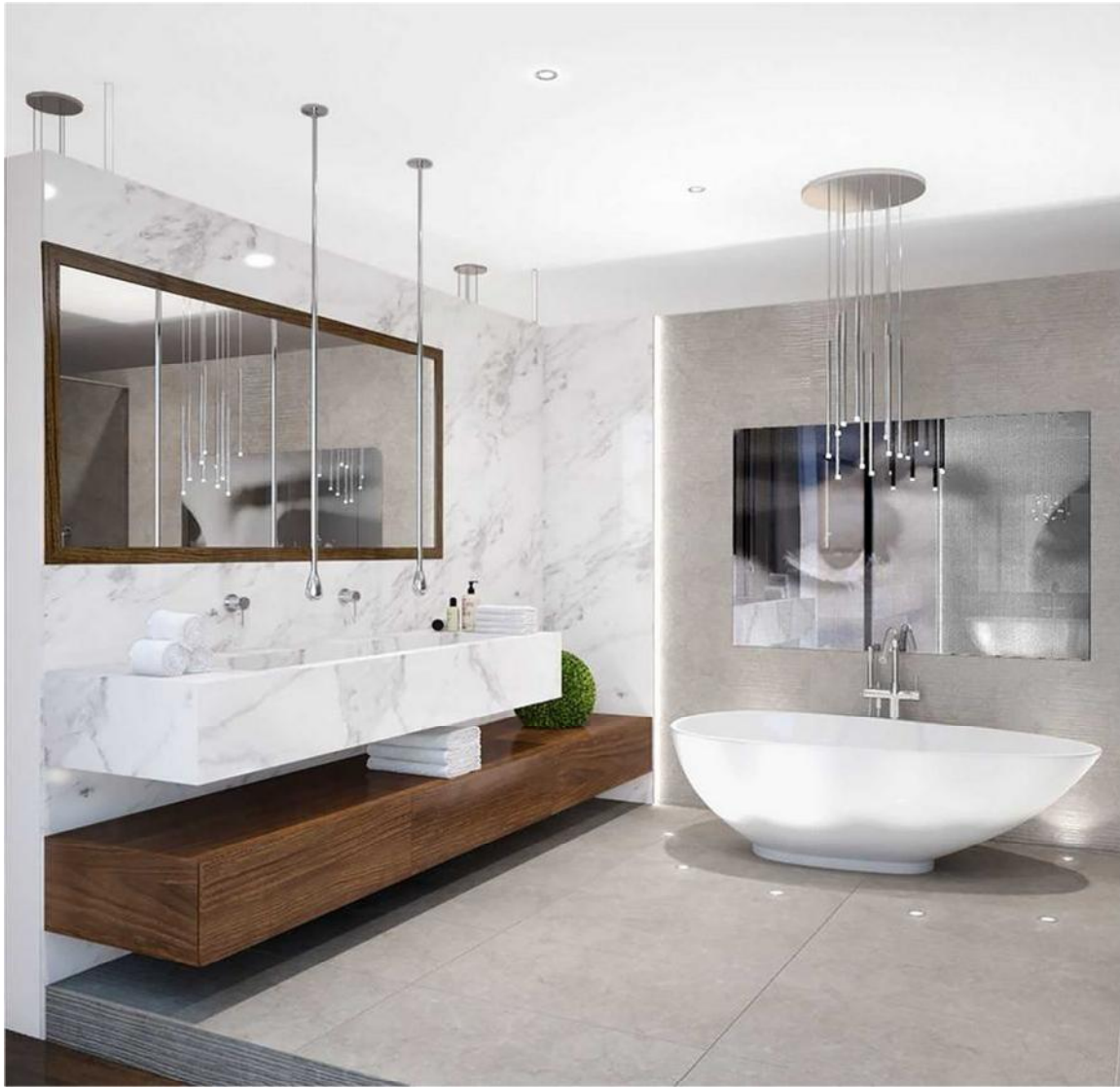
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The home showcases a completely open floor plan. Soaring ceilings, floor to ceiling windows, a floating staircase, and polished concrete floors were the base elements that the design was built upon. While the body of the home is super minimalistic many other architectural features were integrated to add texture, vibrancy, and passion.



A custom 10' wide, 12' tall linear fireplace is the first thing you are greeted by when you walk through the glass entry door. It creates a visual divide between the entry and living room while still maintaining the airy, open concept. The entry and living room boast an impressive 24' ceiling emphasized by 23 of Bocchi's 28.1 single pendants, in soft blues, grays and whites. The captivating black gloss accent tables in the living room are imported from Portugal and exemplify the unique design of this exclusive home. Other memorable components include an oversized dining table from EM Soberon, perfect for dinner parties, incredibly chic seating, imported from Italy, and a plethora of custom furniture created from marble, metals and woods.





The master suite constitutes the entire second floor. It overlooks the living room, separated only by a glass railing. The bed is custom constructed, on a Calcutta marble platform, which appears to be floating. Integrated night-tables complete the minimalistic hotel vibe. The TV unit incorporates a sleek linear fireplace creating a stunning focal point. A wall hung bar flawlessly completes this serene suite.



The homeowners have a great appreciation for fine art and photography. Their collection is showcased throughout, delivering a sense of authenticity and culture. Precise planning was needed to ensure each piece was displayed in the best of light and appropriate environment. The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor features a wide, gallery style walkway with oversized prints of special family moments, amplified with 70" tall sconces between photos (not shown to maintain privacy). In the living area 24' frames were constructed on site, using concrete and black metal, to house oversized, abstract art, that was painted by the wife's favorite artist, specifically for their home(actual artwork not shown in rendering).



The cosmopolite vibe continues to the outdoor living area, which is like a secret garden in the middle of NY. 14' boxwood provide complete privacy from passerby's, concealing a dynamic contemporary area for when the party moves outdoors. Sleek seating, a bubbling hot tub and a luxurious dining area, is all perfectly illuminated with the most romantic lighting and landscaping. A complete outdoor kitchen and two fireplaces makes it practical and enjoyable year-round.

