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One of Cochrane Design's latest projects was the transformation of a large end of terrace house in the heart of London's Chelsea's design quarter. The property was completely reconfigured by Cochrane Design as the previous layout was very traditional and did not utilise the space efficiently meaning that it was not conducive to modern living. The interior architect and designer Millie Cochrane was commissioned to create a family home that was modern in concept but also elegant and luxurious. Being able to entertain large groups of friends and family was paramount to the brief. Every aspect of the house, including the exterior was reconfigured. Not only did Cochrane Design renovate what was already there, they excavated down to the basement, and added a coach house to the rear of the property.

The house has been highly recognised in the world of Interior Design, being shortlisted for awards before completion. Following this, the property went on to win the most prestigious of awards 'The International

Design and Architecture Award' and the 'International Property Award' for the best kitchen over 100k. In addition to this, the house has won a further four major design awards including the 2016 International Property Award for 'Best Lighting Scheme'.

From the exterior, the scale of the property belies its modern open plan interior that balances bespoke luxury with a practical use of the space. On entry you are met with a reception and dining area that is bathed in natural light as the open plan design complete with mezzanine allows for a double height wall of windows that create a very modern aesthetic. The colour palette used throughout is a selection of calming greys that allows the warmth of the various wood finishes to take centre stage. A bold charcoal black accentuates the double height doors, drawing your eye to the art deco chandeliers.

Elegant stepped coving and contemporary panelling have been applied throughout the house providing design continuity,

this serves as a reminder that every inch of the property has been meticulously considered. A decorative wrought iron banister of delicate dimensions frames the stairs enticing you to explore the rest of the house. The rich and distinctive parquet flooring comes into its own over such an expanse of space and is both practical and distinguished.

The large open plan floors are split into a number of individual areas with zones that have been carefully curated and filled with accessories. As you pass through the dining area and make your way to the lower ground via an elegant staircase the bespoke Kitchen is revealed beyond a curved wall. In the centre of the lower ground is an oversized curved sofa with a circular ottoman in matching upholstery, both designed by Cochrane Design. The shape was carefully considered to subtly mirror the staircase and wall. A square rug counter balances this and anchors the sofa in the centre of the space between the kitchen and double doors to the terrace.



This luxurious kitchen by Cochrane Design uses Macassar bark with deep grey marble worktops and state of the art appliances with sculptural legs that gracefully support the island in wenge and chrome creating a timeless blend. The sophisticated craftsmanship is carefully highlighted by a layered lighting scheme befitting this bold kitchen. The continuity of grain across all the cupboards from floor to ceiling is a striking statement; a fine chrome trim set flush into the wood defines the unit's framework. With zoned areas for breakfast and more formal dining as well as a casual seating area.



This allows for clever concealed storage as part of the headboard with upholstered doors that soften this side of the room and emphasise height above the master bed. This is a pampering suite that has his and hers walk in wardrobes and equivalent en suites. The client's collection of shoes and clothes has been given centre stage behind glass doors softly lit with recessed lighting on each shelf.

All bespoke furniture and joinery was designed by Millie Cochrane for Cochrane Design. The fabrics used across all three floors emanate glamour with silk blinds and curtains, velvet upholstery and suede headboards. These luxurious finishes and natural materials combine to create a timeless feel to the residence. The meticulous detail of high-end apartment living has been applied successfully to a three-storey townhouse, a unique experience full of quality craftsmanship and unexpected details.

Alongside their many residential projects, Cochrane Design are conquering hotels, bars and other commercial projects, including listed buildings, historic hotels and high-end clinics. This year, Cochrane Design has just completed Ibiza's Number 1 Boutique Hotel, Hotel Es Vive. After finishing the £4m refurbishment of this Art Deco masterpiece, it has won multiple awards, including best Hotel Interior at the International Property Awards.

The client's request for a luxurious high-end kitchen with enough space for the whole family to move around easily as well as a space that with a flick of switch could feel like a bar in a five star hotel were met without compromise. Different lighting "scenes" effectively create the right atmosphere for each part of the day - which is extremely important in a big family as there is always someone in the kitchen. Hard wearing leather lines the bottoms of drawers (to stop cutlery clattering) and every shelf has a soft illumination within the cupboards using hidden iGuzzini LED's. Luxury appliances such as Zip HydroTap, SubZero and Wolf Ovens, Teppanyaki and Wine

Cooler, Fisher and Paykel silent dishwashers add the finishing touches to this state of the art kitchen.

There is an overwhelming sense of symmetry to all the rooms. This is a version of glamorous living that is easy on the eye, an environment that envelops you into the velvet sofa and encourages you to relax and converse around the Island. The space is free flowing and designed to be sociable.

Moving up to the master bedroom- this is the epitome of elegant glamour with double height ceilings where space has been optimized and has been raised to the rafters.

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Cochrane Design is a highly successful, multi award winning architectural Interior design company. Their aptitude and commitment has resulted in many prestigious awards in just about every element of design and a constant flow of features in both the UK and international interiors and architectural press. Millie Cochrane co-founded the company in 2004 specialising in seamlessly blending timeless elegance with contemporary luxury. The dynamic studio is based just off London's fashionable Kings Road, in the heart of the Chelsea Design Quarter. Millie Cochrane is also spearheading new American office based in Los Angeles in the heart of West Hollywood Design District. Cochrane Design handle all aspects of design and development from initial concept, architecture, interior design and project coordination, to full installation and final dressing. With careful consideration of their client's requirements, they deliver a personalised service of outstanding quality in a timely manner.

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