

# Sky High Living

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When I took on this project the client's bathroom had been ripped out and placed into the middle of the living room floor. The client had come to a standstill and needed my help to get her home back and create a restful space where she could escape from the long hours of her career.

The apartment was pretty much stripped back to its bare bones; installed underfloor heating, added walnut flooring throughout and kept the walls light to maintain a light and airy feel.





The biggest challenge in the living room was the pillar that was placed in the most awkward position. However, it made perfect sense to use this to my advantage so I used it to help divide up the open plan space. It provided the perfect proportions to give the client a decent size sitting area, music corner and dining area.

Considering that the apartment had such gorgeous views over London, I wanted to make sure that these were not interrupted by the design elements. That meant ensuring that all the furniture was low level so that the view could be taken advantage of from all angles of the room.

The patterned wallpaper in the open plan living space creates a soft but bold backdrop to this room and showcases the furnishings that have a distinct mid-century feel. The subtle grey tones and warm woods are accented in layers of yellow and teal accessories, adding vibrancy whilst maintaining a restful feel.

The restful theme continues into the master bedroom, following through the soft grey colour palate, however this time accented in royal blue and dark pink.

The client had a vast collection of designer shoes, so instead of hiding them away I wanted to make a feature of them and displayed them in a restored vintage medicine cabinet.

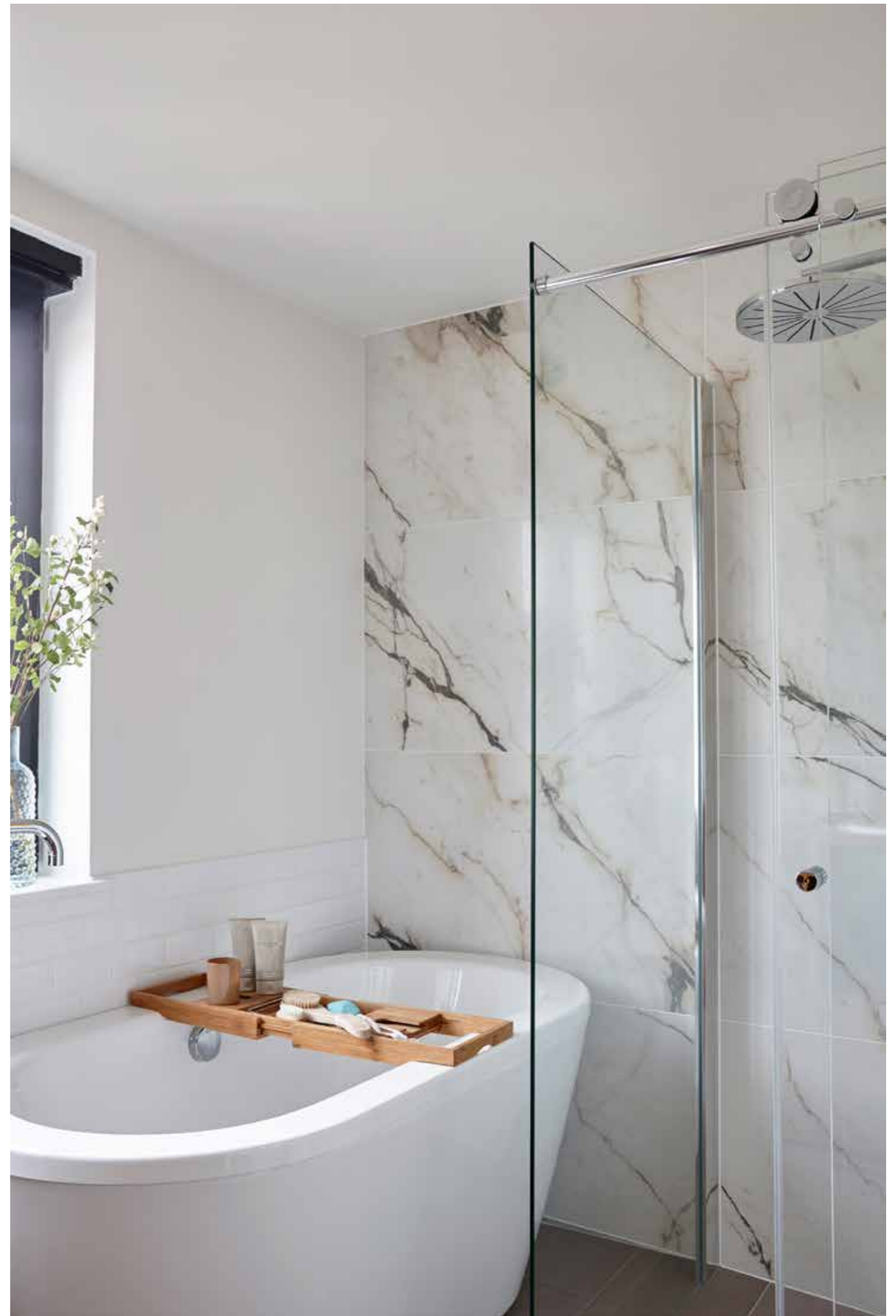
The second bedroom has quite a different vibe to the rest of the apartment with its all over orange and white patterned wallpaper. As a home office I wanted to make sure that it was vibrant and an inspiring space to work in. Placing the desk in front of the window just made sense to again take advantage of the view.

The ottoman houses a foldaway bed offering the option to turn this into a guest bedroom as and when needed.





The main bathroom is kept light and airy with large marble tiles making a very subtle statement, while small accessories add an interest and elegant feel.





#### ABOUT BHAVIN TAYLOR

Bhavin trained at the prestigious KLC School of Design in London after a brief stint as a fashion and textile designer – an experience which gave him a valuable perspective on the nature of colour, pattern and form.

His signature style is all about a splash of bold colours mixed with a blend of classic neutrals. He has created calm yet characterful havens away from the hustle and bustle of London and New York, and more classic homes in Toronto and Vancouver.

Always considering comfort and practicality of the spaces he designs, he believes that interiors should be pleasing to the eye while reflecting your personality.

Bhavin Taylor Design offers a personalised service for the discerning client, no matter how big or small the project or budget.

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