

colourful comfort

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The brief for this New York penthouse, designed by Bhavin Taylor was to turn a white new build box into a space that was full of the client's personality whilst being comfortable and inviting.

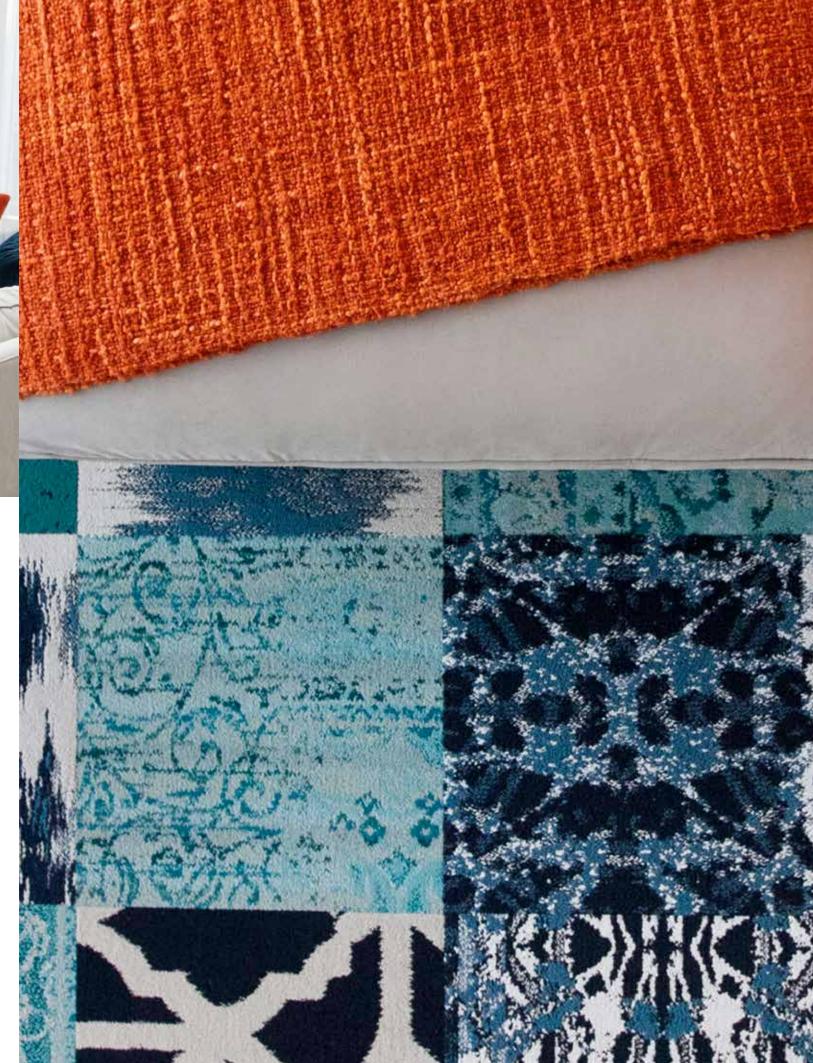
"The design started with a custom one of a kind rug. This I created by selecting different patterned squares in various shades of blue and joinging them together in a random pattern."



The pattern on the blue and white wallpaper goes hand in hand with the patterned rug which started the colour scheme in this living room.

"Keeping the main pieces of furniture neutral allows for further accent colours to be introduced into the room. The natural choice was to go for orange as it sits opposite blue on the colour wheel. However, getting the right shade is crucial to make sure the balance is right."

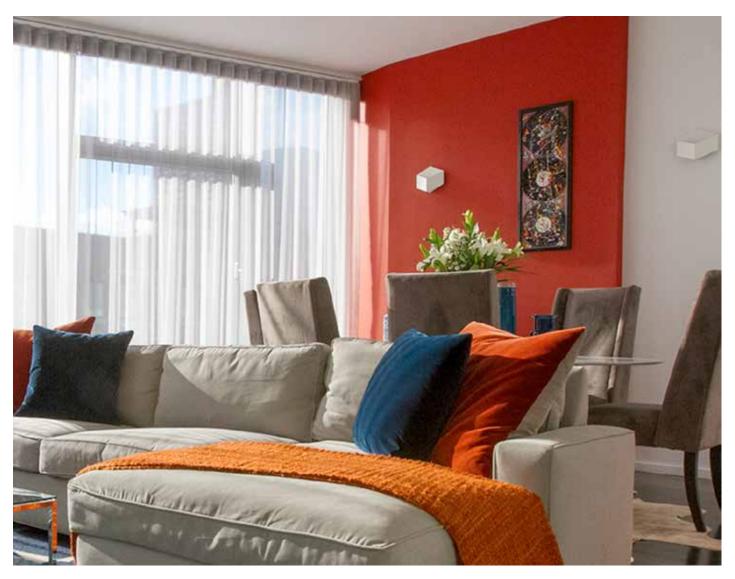
"When it comes to designing a room with pattern getting the balance is key."

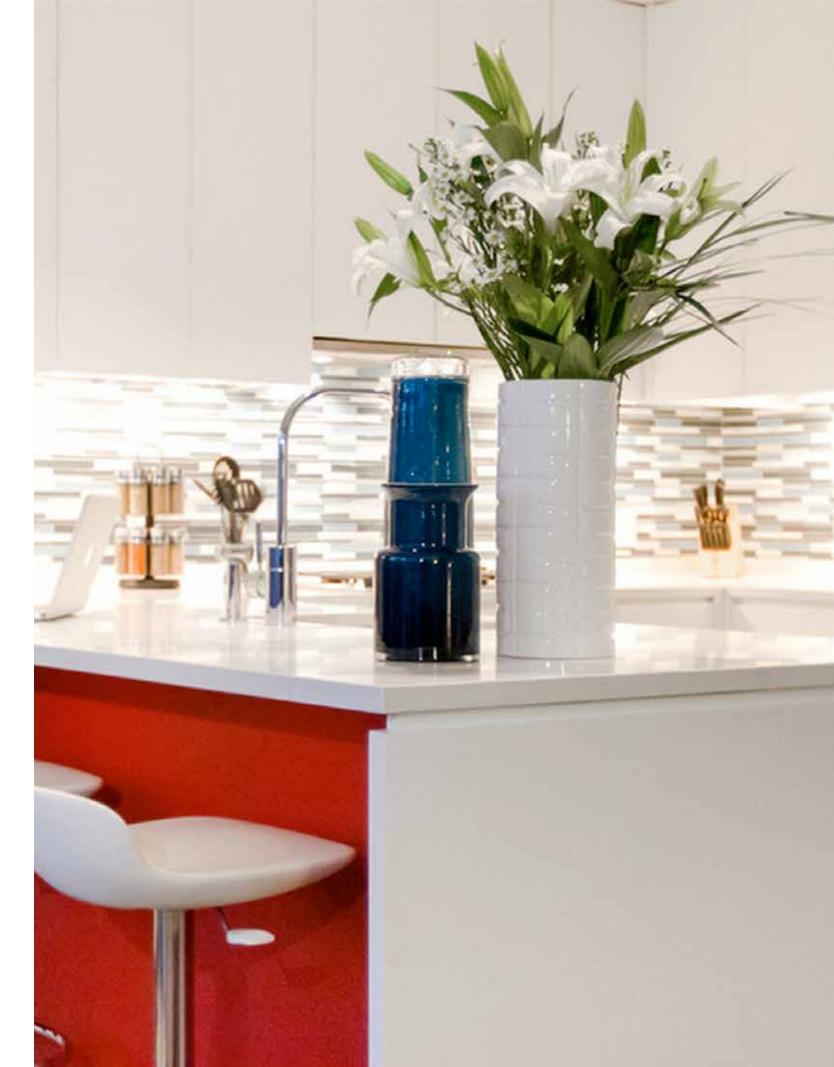


The high gloss white kitchen creates a great base for all the colours and patterns in the room.

"Since it is an open plan living space, I tied the kitchen to the rest of the room by adding a tile splash back that repeats the various shades of blue in the rug and repeated the orange paint under the breakfast bar as a pop of extra colour.

If you are afraid of using bold colours discreet spaces such as this breakfast bar can be a good start. You can't see it from all views but can add an element of surprise when you turn the corner and see it."







"The polka dot wallpaper adds subtle but high impact."

The guest bedroom which doubles also the home office is decorated to reflect its multi purpose use. Located on the same floor as the main living area, Bhavin continued with the orange accent but paired it with pink. The room therefore takes on its own identity yet is still linked to its adjacent space.

'Mixing patterns well in same tones of orange and pink is crutial for this space to work.'





"Without using yellow this master bedroom would end up being quite flat."

Even though the master bedroom is papered in a bold geometric black and white wallpaper, the room still seems light thanks to its large floor to ceiling windows. "The light acts as a balance to the dark wallpaper choice and the pops of yellow add the much needed colour, giving the room a lift but without being too overpowering."

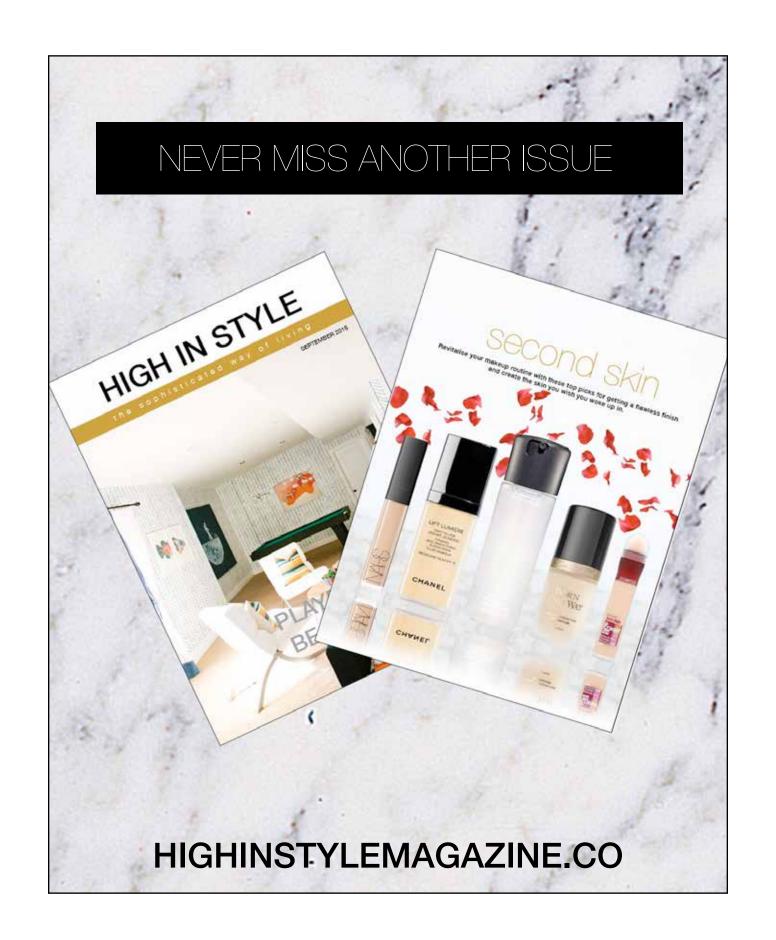




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