

DESIGNER SECRETS

LIVING ROOM



Mark Lee, architectural partner and head of interior design and Emma Cockroft, architect and interior designer at One 17 Design provide an insight into the world of architecture and interior design.

The formal lounge, at the south west corner of the house, is flooded with sunlight from mid-morning. Sliding folding doors on the south and west walls create a strong link to the garden, leaving an unobstructed opening when folded back. To the west, a terrace made from timber sleepers receives the evening sun.

A step runs around two sides of the lounge, helping to define the space and creating a greater sense of height as you step down into the room. European oak floorboards, chosen for their richness of tone and durable finish, run throughout the ground floor. A 'pebble' rug pulls the darker tones of the curtains into the room and its shape and texture break the sense of formality created by the furniture.

A display unit, designed by One 17, frames the internal window to the entrance hall, acts as a log store and holds books and artefacts. Like all the woodwork in the house, it is painted in a chalky Farrow & Ball off-white.

The sofas are classic and elegant and their low backs do not obscure the view into the garden. They are complemented by a colourful chair which anchors the scheme's accent colours of cobalt and lime.

The graphite linen curtains were designed to stack back to the corner of the room to preserve the clean lines and create a backdrop to the space. The electric track system maintains the 'wave' of the curtain when drawn, evoking a sense of the theatrical.



GLAZED DOOR TO HALL GIVES GLIMPSE THROUGH TO OTHER SPACES

WALL HUNG MEDIA UNIT

This piece was chosen for its simplicity so as not to detract from the fireplace which is the focal point of the room.

Walnut Lampo Media Unit
San Giacomo by Nuovo Living

LOG BURNING STOVE

The fireplace is the focal point of the lounge determining the positions of the furniture around it. The fire side set is elegant, sculptural, if not entirely practical.

Riva Fire by Stovax
Energy Innovations
Fire Side Set
The Home, Salts Mill

BESPOKE BOOKCASE WITH INTERNAL WINDOW

Provides a double-sided display area.

Bespoke Bookcase
One17 Design

STONE RUG

Irregular shape breaks formality created by the furniture.

Rug
Calligaris, Nuovo Lining

SPLIT HEIGHT COFFEE TABLE

Matt black & dust grey coffee table

BoConcept,
Red Brick Mill

FEATURE CHAIR

Milano Chair
Marylebone Sofa Company
Red Brick Mill

From the first sketch on the drawing board to the final placing of a book on the bookshelf, hundreds of detailed design decisions were made to create this chic lounge.

1 CONTEMPORARY CHAIR

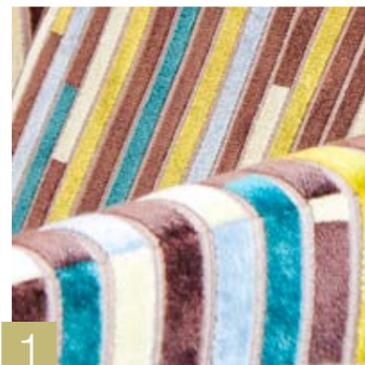
Chosen for its colour and texture and used to inspire the colour palette in the room.

2 INSIDE OUT

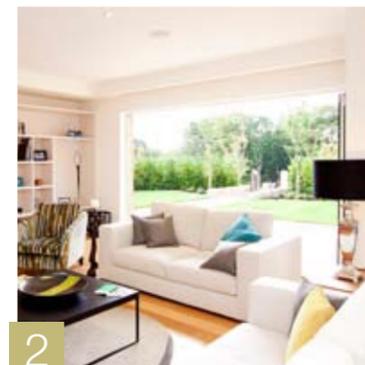
The living room doors fold back to create one unobstructed space.

3 STYLISH CURTAINS

Graphite Linen curtains folded back to corner to create backdrop to room.



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