

# SPACES

OUR EDIT OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS' PROJECTS THAT CLEVERLY OPTIMISE A SPACE TO REACH ITS FULL POTENTIAL

Polish and sophistication coupled with functional design invite a sense of space and light into these compact interiors



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**INTERIOR** designer Sandra Nunnerley combines modern lines with echoes of the 1930s to add a new dimension to an apartment that is light, spacious and elegant. *nunnerley.com*

*What have been some of the key influences that have informed your design ethos? How has this ethos been realised at your harbourside apartment project?* The Art Moderne luxury liners were the inspiration for this Lower Manhattan apartment – the wraparound wall of windows which overlook New York Harbor, the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, bathe the apartment in light, making you feel as if you're floating out over the water. My version of modernism is a contemporary interpretation – relaxed and soft rather than hard-edged and extreme. *What was the clients' initial brief?* The clients first invited me to create a new home for their family by combining two apartments into one. A few years after moving in with their two young boys, they bought two adjoining apartments, including a duplex, doubling their square footage, and asked me to integrate these new spaces into their home. Whilst they wanted an elegant living space, it was essential that this was first and foremost a comfortable and functional family apartment. *What are some of your favourite design elements?* We eliminated several walls to make one large loft-like area that flows from living room to dining room to kitchen to family room. Colour is the binder that ties the whole place together. Wood, both dark and light, warms up and dramatises the space.

