

# UNDERSTATED LUXURY

LAYERS OF TEXTURE AND HIGH-END FINISHES COMBINE WITH DIRECTIONAL PATTERN TO CREATE A SOPHISTICATED COOK SPACE



Irene describes this kitchen as a minimalist version of maximalism. 'There's plenty going on but the overall look is calm and considered,' she explains

**DESIGNER** Irene Gunter, director, Gunter & Co, 020 7993 8583, gunterandco.com.

**THE PROPERTY** A two-bedroom apartment in Mayfair, London.

**DESIGN BRIEF** 'Luxury in spades' was the owner's number-one objective for this major renovation project. As someone who was seriously into his cooking, he needed the kitchen to be well-equipped, plus a cosy and inviting space to come home to.

**DIMENSIONS** (kitchen only) 3.25x4.7m

## LAYOUT AND SURFACES

Every wall was moved and every surface stripped back in the renovation of this apartment, previously a 1960s museum piece with retro floral wallpaper. In its

place, an open-plan kitchen with dining and living was installed. Each surface was meticulously planned to create layers of interest. On the far wall, mirrored glass, framed in black metal, obscures cupboard contents, while smoked oak veneer and brass touches bring richness and warmth.

## STYLING

'Texture is incredibly important in this space, whether hard or soft. From the ribbed panelling on the peninsula and grooves on the tall double doors to the velvet-topped stools – they all bring a tactile dimension that gets more interesting the closer you look at them,' says designer Irene Gunter. 

## WHERE TO BUY

### FURNITURE

**Bespoke kitchen** in smoked oak and mirrored glass, starting at £65,000, Gunter & Co. Nina **bar stools** upholstered in Morris 11 Ocra by Living Divani, £837 each, Chaplins

### SURFACES

M426 Calacatta Lusso **quartz**, £199.99sq m, Classic Quartz Stone. Stainless steel **worktops**, from £650sq m, supplied by Gunter & Co

### APPLIANCES

EB 333 90cm built-in **oven**, £6,781; 400 Series 90cm **gas hob**, £4,117, both Gaggenau. DA 3698 Slimline Telescopic **cooker hood**, 90cm, £2,229, Miele

### ACCESSORIES

Colt **pendant**, £2,220, Bert Frank



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