

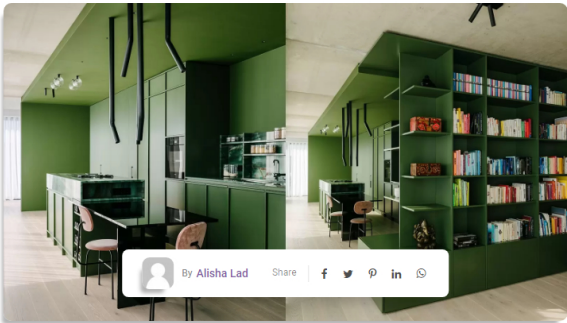


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The Green Box – where form serves function

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A captivating concept, material contrasts, and curated details anchor this delightfully creative home by Ester Bruzkus Architekten.

This 120-sq-metres top-floor apartment hosts floor-to-ceiling windows and exposed concrete walls – a raw and open aesthetic offering beautiful bones to layer design. Preserving this charm, Ester Bruzkus, and Peter Greenberg boldly introduce a central millwork box to demarcate space without boxing it into conventional volumes. This free-standing complex box, lacquered in deep green, rearranges the logistics of the space, becoming the focal point of this home aptly named The Green Box.



Bathed in natural light, peripheral rooms frame the cityscape while the box shields a private enfilade. A built-in library anchors an intimate living room suffused with Scandinavian charm. A hearth made from travertine Sierra ebru stone, red travertine, brass, and thin plates of stainless steel ground the space. Tones of golds, violets, and browns complement the green, simultaneously playing off against concrete walls to orchestrate a home both cool and cosy.

A plush hand-tufted carpet from botanical silks, forwarding the owners' urban heliophiles



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A green frame shielded carpet from external areas, retaining the external light levels and warmth to the space. Continuous decks along the windows blur boundaries between the enclosures.



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The box frames the kitchen, comprising of a cooking island in quartzite, lacquered wood, and black-tinted glass, a sculptural light, green-and-violet quartzite shelving, and a rhythm of ribs. The ceiling becomes part of it, pulling away from the existing concrete, creating a room within a room. Rich materials, warm hues, and exquisite textures against the raw concrete create visual harmony and are reflected in the surrounding mirrors.

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The actual material details are super important: how materials meet and combine can determine whether something is beautiful or not...

Peter Greenberg summarises the approach of the office!

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The bedroom champions a lovely violet. An exuberant headboard by Josef Frank is an arresting detail, adding a playful undertone. The bathroom, with its green marble, black steel door-fronts, pink Corian basins, and pale limestone, is an exaltation of natural materials. Carefully curated details frame gorgeous juxtapositions and the sleek box even houses a modular sauna. Minimal circular geometry excels in the mirror, designed handles, and a skylight that allows light into this shielded space.

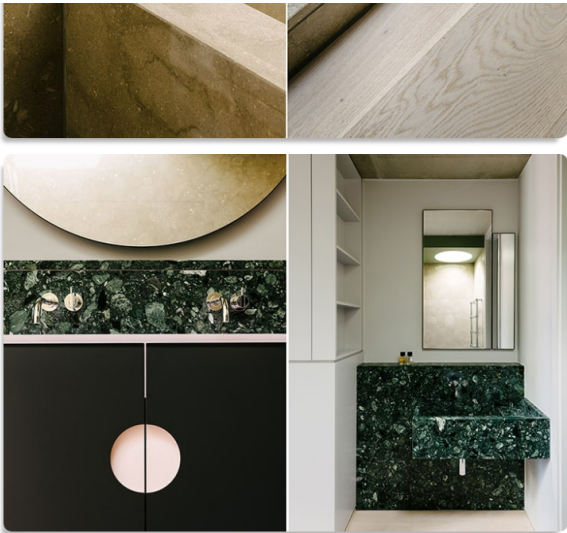


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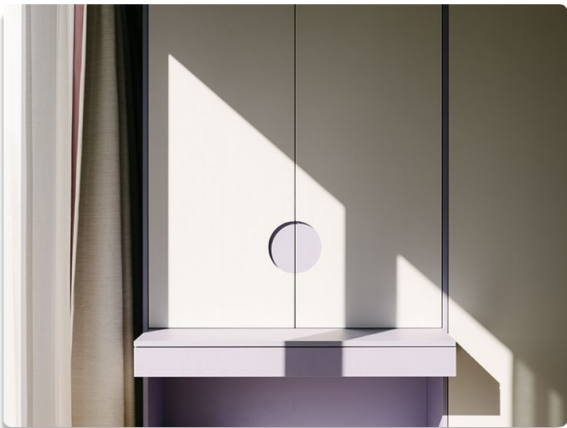


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Espousing a less-is-more aesthetic while challenging conventional notions of spatial boundaries and material logics, The Green Box is an imaginative narrative of innovative design elements.

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Fact File:
Typology: Residential Interior Design
Design Firm: Ester Bruzkus Architekten
Principal Architects/ Designers: Ester Bruzkus, Peter Greenberg
Team: Ester Bruzkus, Peter Greenberg, Svenja Bechtel, Martina Durrant, Arianna Petrucci
Area: 120 sq. m.



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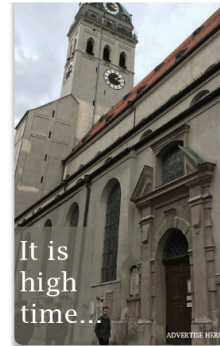
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