

*A Real Home
With A
Contemporary Twist*



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The brief for the designer for this home was simply to create a 'home' with that little bit extra that more than catered for the clients family needs. The clients wish was for a bright natural and comfortable home with a contemporary twist. Grainne of Architectural Spaces gave them just that, with this spectacular home.



The warm welcoming entrance hall was designed to showcase wall panelling, coving, deep detailed architrave and skirting - and a modern staircase. The colour tones are fresh and soft, with the addition of a funky rug designed by Architectural Spaces that encapsulates the tones used while adding a terrific splash. The soft wall lights and LED lighting up the stairs create an inviting ambience.



The fantastically high apex ceiling in the dining area provided the inspiration to suspend a track light from above which continues through into the kitchen area. The split level curved glass island separates the food preparation area from the eating and living space, while the leather high stools inject colour to the room. Curved doors, both solid and glass and curved end posts to the units all add to the ergonomic feel of the kitchen.



Moving through the kitchen, the main feature in the living room is the curved panelled wall unit, specifically designed to house the fire and television with the added bonus of copious storage behind the concealed doors.

The curves draw one into the room which is enveloped in comfort. Soft colours and tones are carried through from the kitchen and are also reflected in the window fabrics.



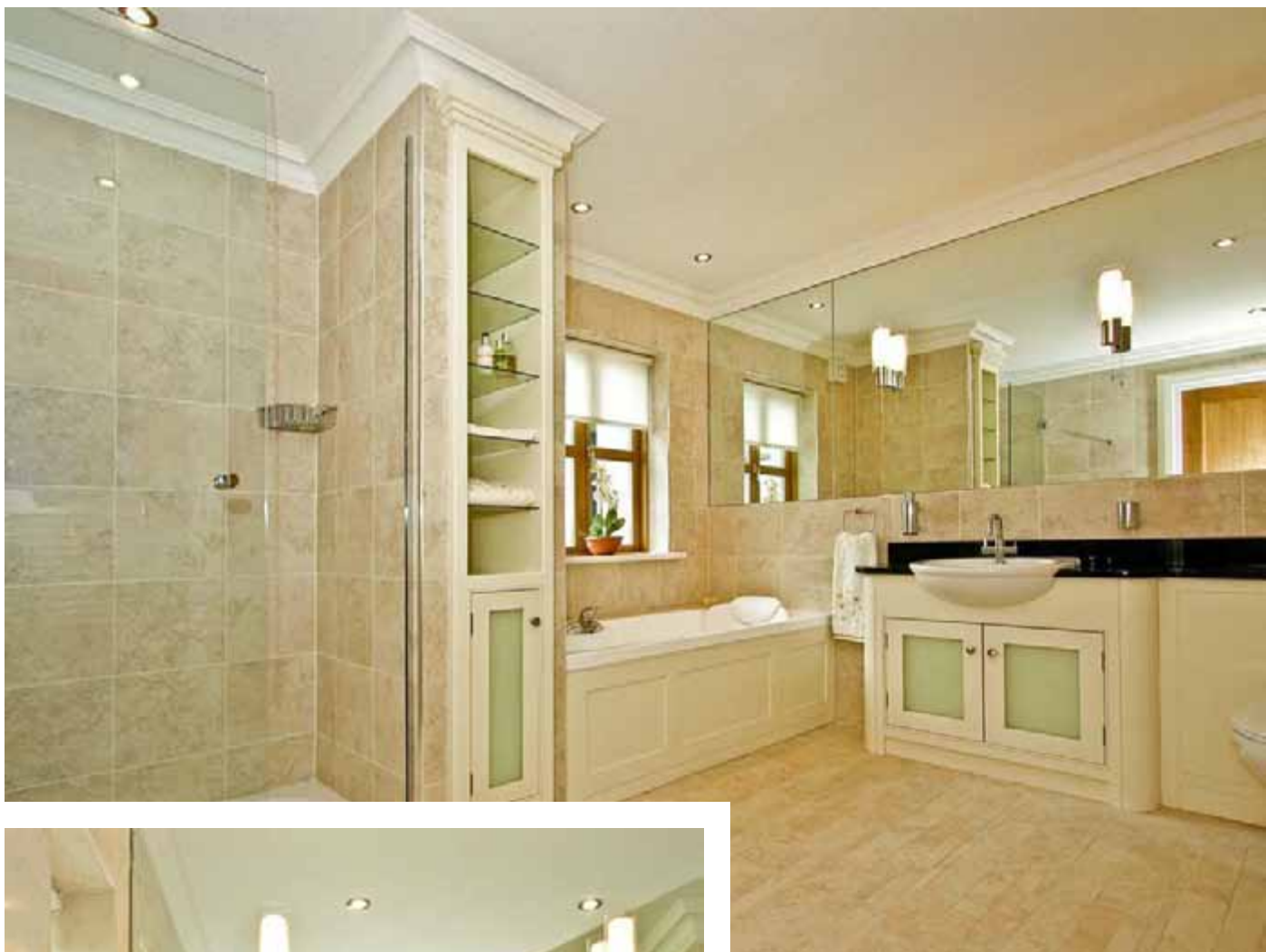
The sitting room provides a plush haven in which to relax and unwind. It is designed with a step within the ceiling and a dimmable lighting feature, which beautifully augments the mood that the homeowners wanted to create.

Wallpaper, wool carpet, sumptuous furniture and scatter cushions add to the sense of luxury. The lusciously textured rug here as well as vibrantly colourful rug in the living room was also designed by Grainne and pulls the colour and style to the centre of space. Silk curtains with a contemporary pattern hang from a specially designed recess within the ceiling to complete the luxurious feel.



The playroom, also on the ground floor, provided a delightful challenge. It was designed for a boy and two girls, so the colours selected for the blinds, units and beanbags had to suit all but also had to be fun. The bespoke storage units, shelving and workspace were designed so that, in the future, they could be repainted with new schemes and thus would remain attractive to the children throughout their teenage years.





Custom designed vanity and storage units in the en-suits and bathrooms are both practical and timeless. Large mirrors and marble tiles, together with soft lighting, give the bathrooms a sense of classic elegance. The design of this home was a real challenge for Architectural Spaces but with Grainne's clever design ideas she gave her clients exactly what they wanted - a real home with a contemporary twist.

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