



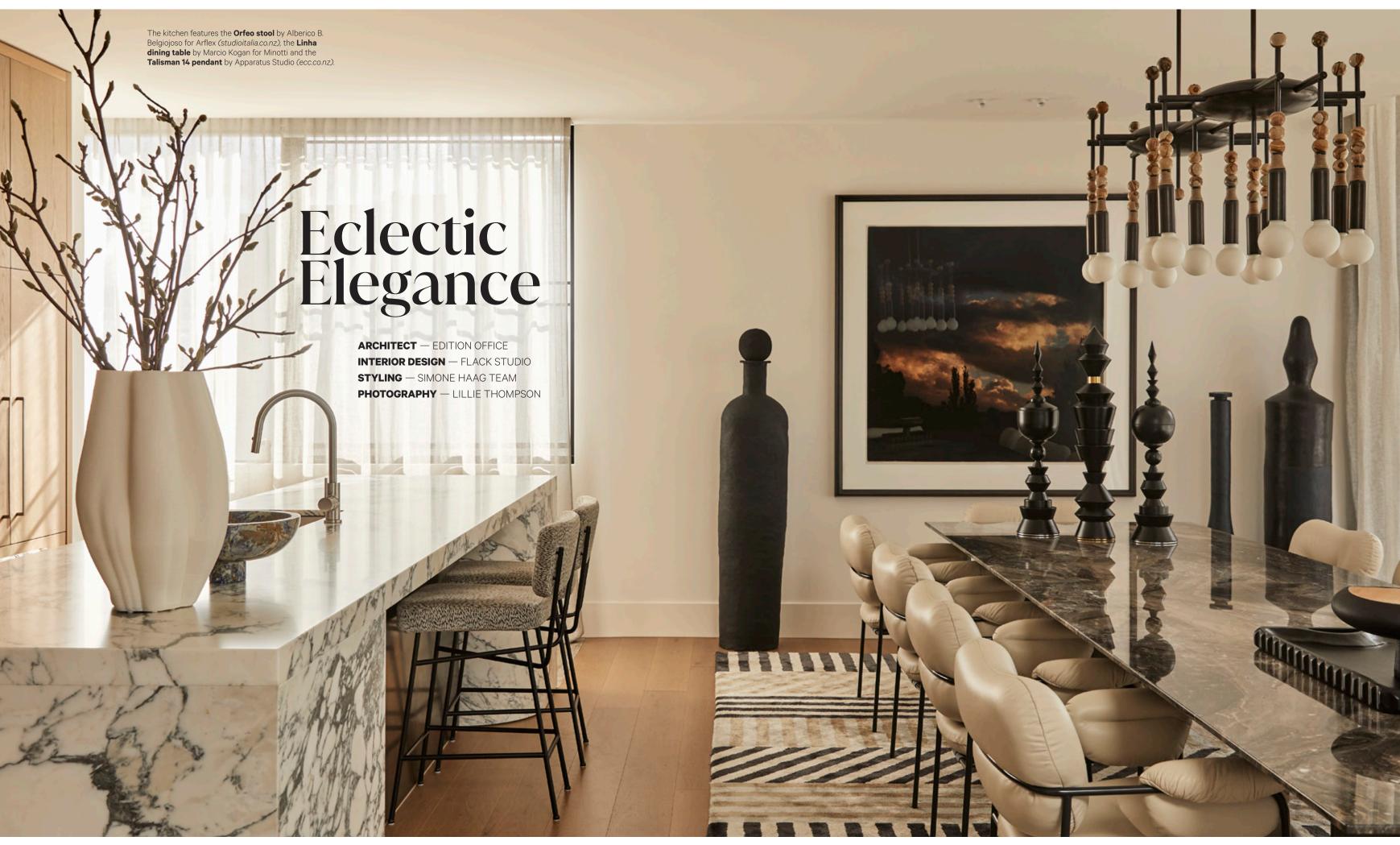


Finishing Touch

No shelf or bookcase is complete without a curated selection of sculptural objets d'art and tchotchkes — the most effective way to fill your space with personal flair.



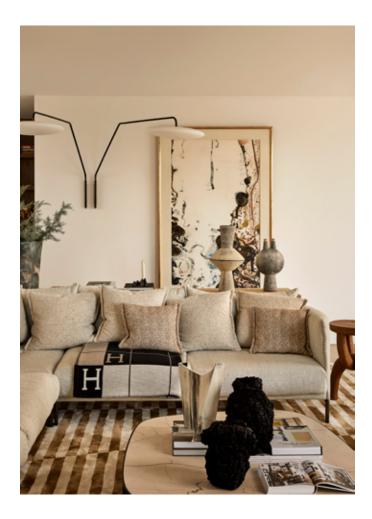
- from Simon James
- 3. Aalto vase by Alvar Aalto for littala from The Studio of Tableware
- 4. Gardenias vase by Jaime Hayon for BD Barcelona from Matisse
- 5. Unearthed Clay vessel by Julie Cromwell from Sanderson Contemporary



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In this sprawling Melbourne residence, sought-after designer Simone Haag has collaborated with Flack Studio to create a series of exquisite spaces that redefine the classic family home.



Tucked away within the picturesque landscape of Melbourne's Kew, Fenwick House seamlessly integrates architecture and interior design with its surrounding environment. With a narrative that unfolds gently, this remarkable home pays homage to the mid-century architectural legacy that defined its locale in the 1940s, with the talented Simone Haag resurrecting the pillars of modernist design to create a unique and harmonious residence, drawing us in with detail, and keeping us there with comfort.

Originally two separate homes by Edition Office and Flack Studio, Fenwick House had to first undergo a meticulous consolidation before it could be transformed into the kind of family home that was envisaged. Here, the design team paid homage to the defining characteristics of the site, and honoured the mid-century origins that had first captivated Haag's clients while creating something that feels wholly unique. Via a thoughtful selection of furniture, lighting, artwork, textiles and decorative objects, Haag expertly cultivated an environment that, alongside touching on history, paved a path for the future, creating a home in which her clients (a family of seven) could live luxuriously, practically and comfortably.

Spanning four floors, Fenwick House emanates a warm and inviting ambiance. Here, Simone Haag showcases her impressive styling prowess with finishes that include a luminous palette (serving to bathe the space in a soft glow), sculptural furniture pieces in calcified tones, curated artworks that subtly reference nature, and a graceful integration of texture and materiality. The palette is warm and rich, where hues of gold, brown and beige underwrite an unexpected top note of electric









blue (woven subtly throughout the spaces), while intriguing textures add a wonderfully eclectic touch, each and every interior element only enhanced by the way the designers have cleverly harnessed natural light.

Whether it's the breathtaking dining room anchored by a long Minotti dining table (able to comfortably fit the whole family) and surrounded by lounge-like Fogia Spisolini dining chairs, or the understated (but effective) clash of marble and stone and timber that form the bathrooms' material palette, there is a light-touch eclecticism that Haag has employed. Because while the restrained palette of Fenwick House offers a sense of refinement, its various decorative objects, attention-grabbing furnishings and patterned textiles speak to something more interesting than classic, contemporary design. There is an edge, born from the

clients' willingness to make bold choices (and from Haag's ability to interpret those choices in ways that still work for everyday life).

Simone Haag's vision for Fenwick House showcases her remarkable ability to bring together the diverse elements of design into a coherent and captivating whole. Through her skilful curation, she has transformed this architectural gem into a timeless masterpiece, paying homage to its mid-century roots while embracing the desires and needs of its inhabitants.

Fenwick House stands as a shining example of the possibilities that emerge when architecture and interior design talents harmonise with their surrounding landscape. As one steps into this captivating space, they are transported to a world where elegance, style, and thoughtful design come together to create a truly exceptional home.