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Custom-designed sofa by Xander Noori in World Linen fabric, marble coffee table from Restoration Hardware, chrome Aviator Leather armchairs by Timothy Oulton, console by Noir and drapery from The Shade Store.



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IN THIS 2,350-SQUARE-FOOT FLAT, A
YOUNG, BACHELORETTE DOCTOR ENJOYS
URBAN LIVING AT ITS FINEST.

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From the first time designer Xander Noori met with this client, he knew it was a match. “We had great chemistry with the homeowner,” Noori says. “She has a very positive, energetic, upbeat outlook which we fell in love with right away. We really like being able to impact our client’s everyday life and felt we had a beautiful blank canvas.”

A young American general practitioner with an active lifestyle, the dweller enjoys the coastal Southern California vibe. Located in Irvine, at the corner of Jamboree Road and Campus Drive, near the UC Irvine Ecological Preserve, her home is nestled in the 14th floor of 3000 The Plaza, a contemporary 15-storey high-rise tower. A range

of amenities—including bike trails, restaurants, shops and the beach—are all within reach.

Designed by MVE + Partners, the project features luxury floor plans with floor-to-ceiling windows and balconies. “This apartment is a restful urban escape with an of-the-moment rhythm and expansive views of Orange County; misty morning clouds transform into picture-perfect postcard days with city lights and stars by night”, says Noori. “We brought the elevated view indoors through a soft palette of warm neutrals for the backdrop, and juxtaposed a few pieces of furniture and art in bold colors to reflect the pace of our youthful homeowner.” Wood elements

(such as the floor) and metal finishes mix with pops of green and ultraviolet, plus a collection of photographs, creating an eclectic and sophisticated aesthetic. Textural grass cloth wall covering, clean lined upholstery and vintage lighting complement the look of the fluid space, designed for entertaining.

“I love the late 1950s Kalmar ice glass chandeliers in the dining room that were refurbished from found parts, because they brought a special historic character to the space”, Noori says.

What is traditionally a breakfast area was transformed into a low lounge, opening up the



Opposite page: Modernica settee in Schumacher fabric, vintage James Mont black leather chairs, custom Stanton carpet, petrified wood table from Roger's Gardens, bar stools by Noir and pendant lights purchased in Italy.

Left: Dining table with a vintage base and custom top, dining chairs from Restoration Hardware with a velvet Dedar fabric, wall mirrors by Bernhardt, custom Stanton carpet, vintage Kalmar Ice Glass chandeliers, vase from 1stdibs and artwork from the Paris flea market.

Right: Bedside tables from Restoration Hardware with custom marble table tops, Modernica pendant lights and bedding from Between The Sheets.

Bottom right: Kohler tub, Toto sinks, custom cabinetry, Schaub & Co. hardware and Arteriors sconce lighting.



space. The Snaidero Italian kitchen and cabinetry with Sub-Zero and Viking appliances provide storage flexibility.

Fit for a boutique hotel, the master bedroom is simple and soft, with calming colors and natural materials that offer a feeling of authenticity, longevity and timeless beauty. Clad in Statuario marble slabs with a soft amethyst backdrop, the spa-like master bathroom has expansive mirrors and clean surfaces.

Inspired by the owner's love for travel, fashion, pop culture and nature, this apartment has achieved the perfect balance of feeling fresh, sexy and relaxing. ■