

Kbbreview Industry Awards 2007

CATEGORY: Designer Award for Kitchens - project cost over £25k

FINALIST: Robert Timmons

- We were approached by an Architect to supply a totally bespoke contemporary kitchen for an American family in Mayfair.
- The budget for the project was around £100,000 however this was to include the floor.
- They could not find a supplier who was flexible enough to meet their challenging demands.
- The main design brief was to make a unique room that did not obviously read as kitchen.
- The room is one of their main living areas with one end having a gas fire, lounge chairs and a TV.
- We had to hide as much of the kitchen as possible.
- The Island has a pull out table made with a steel frame with wheels inset into the legs framed in Indian Laurel; Steamed figured Sycamore and European Walnut Burr.
- This appears from a letterbox slot in the stone that 3-7 people can be seated.
- The panels behind the worktops were counterbalanced providing storage spaces for kitchen accessories such as toasters and juicers.
- A tall larder unit has pocket doors with a steam oven and coffee machine behind.
- The whole room and lobby were to be book match veneered in Indian Laurel inset with European Walnut Burr.
- To find two logs that matched suitably to veneer such a large project was very interesting.
- None of the appliances were to be visible when the room was being used as a family room so they are all or fit behind slide away doors and panels.
- The design process took a year of hard work.
- We did not have a catalogue of cabinets that we could use every item was purpose made.
- Every last detail was painstakingly put together in an AutoCAD model from the handle profile on our 30mm drawers and doors to the system we would use for joining doors together to maintain the same depth for the integrated fridges and freezers that sat behind the tall units.
- We veneered 6mm aluminium sheet in order to achieve this look. And used the same method for the Dishwasher that sits in the corner beside the Cohiba sink.
- The worktops and sink are 60mm mitred Marhon Cohiba and the floor Golden Glory framed with the Cohiba.
- The wall above the sink is made from Red Dragon Granite with shelves inset between the slabs with acid etched glass screen that provides a lampshade for the low voltage lights drilled through the red dragon illuminating the sink area.

