

# ECLECTIC FUSION

A mix of styles and a variety of interesting materials and finishes are the foundation for the kitchen of this grand residence

## THE owners

The entrepreneurial owners of this 18th-century, Georgian residence in Chelsea wanted an informal, relaxed style to come home to after spending all week in the confines of their ultra modern, heavily glazed, linier city centre offices. Their home is very much their own private space, catering for just them and occasional visits from friends and family.

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ith 15,000 square foot of space covering eight bedrooms, a dressing room, drawing cum anteroom, dining room, study, swimming pool, gym, sauna, kitchen and a Grade II Star listed status to contend with, the total refurbishment of this property was no small undertaking.

However, Kaizen Furniture is no stranger when it comes to translating bespoke furniture concepts for grand projects. Working with internationally renowned designer Nicky Haslam, the company produced custom made furniture that answered the clients' brief and satisfied their individual tastes and requirements.

A design was required that blended traditional styling with some contemporary accents. Furthermore, the homeowners had requested a theme of luxury and opulence using a wide variety of materials thus ensuring that their large, 45 square metre kitchen space would be visually captivating.

Bog Oak has been combined with matt lacquered finishes to give the required blend of traditional and contemporary styling; particularly on the island unit. Elsewhere, the company made individual pieces of freestanding cabinetry with exquisite detailing. One example is the armoire created to conceal a fan coil unit, it is covered in vellum and pure silk velvet with custom made, leather wrapped handles.

Worktops in basalt and a sink carved from one single piece of basalt together with the kitchen's traditional cabinet making construction all conspire to give this kitchen a feeling of substance and sturdiness that belongs to a bygone era and which is certainly befitting such a grand, period home.



This kitchen has details, finishes and textures in abundance. However, this is not a kitchen project that falls victim to style and form over function. The kitchen embodies plenty of worksurface area, cupboard and deep drawer storage as well as the latest Sub-Zero and Wolf appliances



“True bespoke designers and manufacturers should never be afraid to explore material combinations and finishes. With Nicky’s creativity and our bespoke manufacturing know how, we were able to create something totally unique – the very essence of a true bespoke service.”

**Stephanie Hope**, sales and marketing manager, Kaizen Furniture

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## THE designer

Nicky Haslam is one of Britain’s most respected and celebrated interior designers. He is an author of several books on interior design and writes on the subject for the leading national press. His London-based design firm, NH Design has created interiors for an enviable client base as well as producing interior décor for some of the ritziest parties and celebrations of our time.

## THE details

Bespoke furniture manufactured by  
Kaizen Furniture Ltd [kaizenfurniture.com](http://kaizenfurniture.com)

Nicky Haslam designer [nh-design.co.uk](http://nh-design.co.uk)

Timothy Hatton Architects [thal.co.uk](http://thal.co.uk)

LTS Refurbishment [ltsr.co.uk](http://ltsr.co.uk)

Range cooker similar to: Wolf 48” duel-fuel range cooker  
[subzero-wolf.co.uk](http://subzero-wolf.co.uk)

Taps similar to: Perrin & Rowe Mimas 4846 single lever  
mixer with C spout and rinse [perrinandrowe.co.uk](http://perrinandrowe.co.uk)

Bosch DHL535BGB integrated extractor hood,  
silver metallic [bosch-home.co.uk](http://bosch-home.co.uk)