

a category created to reward excellence among design firms established within the past five years, Amber Road has this year scooped Best Kitchen Design. Interior architect Yasmine Ghoniem (pictured) and her sister, landscape architect Katy Svalbe, make up the standout Sydney design studio which won the award for a clever scheme in this highly considered, newly expanded apartment where everything has been carefully designed to do more than one job. "Nothing is wasted and most things are much more than what they first seem," says Yasmine. Here, this translates to a bank of black curved cabinetry which doubles as a robe for the main bedroom and ample storage in the kitchen, while one leg of the island bench hides the services. A swathe of sophisticated cool greys and strong black injections have been paired with smart navy accents also found on dining chairs and feature walls. *amberroaddesign.com.au* 

Yasmine Ghoniem was photographed exclusively for *Belle* at 1906, Sydney.