

THE OWNERS OF THIS HOME on Sydney's lower north shore approached YSG Studio having long admired their work. "They wanted their home, in which they had been living for several years, to feel like a boutique hotel," explains YSG Studio director Yasmine Ghoniem, "with lavish yet tranquil tones and tactile materials that were rich in substance rather than excess trimmings." Tasked with this brief, Yasmine completely overhauled their kitchen, cocooning it in toffee-hued plaster and overlaying the space with her signature blend of rich colour, tone and texture. Yasmine describes the space as a "tactile haven", a dreamy, moody space where "touch plays a key role, instilling a sense of connection via finishes". Through carefully restricting overhead lighting and opting for sculptural pendant lights, sconces and lamps, the space transforms in the evening with a soft glowing atmosphere of calm. *What luxury items did you choose for this kitchen regardless of budget?* "Combining tumbled black stone mosaics plus vertical and horizontal applications of leathered Magnesia marble, the monolithic island bench glitters like a black diamond and is emblematic of the home's refined and boundary-pushing renovation. Glowing turquoise glass bricks lend levity to its mass as sunlight filters through them." *ysg.studio, @ysg.studio.*



1 'Elysian' commercial pull-out kitchen mixer in brushed gunmetal, \$550, from ABI Interiors.
2 Magnesia quartzite stone, POA, Artedomus.
3 'Iva' bar stool with upholstered back in Green, from \$1035, from Grazia & Co.

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Builder Promena Projects. **Joinery** Custom timber screen designed by YSG Studio, crafted by Winchester Interiors with bamboo insert by Simple Studio. Kitchen cabinetry in Dulux 'Hog Bristle' and butler's pantry cabinets in Dulux 'Black Caviar' with 'PSL' handles in Blackened Bronze from Studio Henry Wilson. Sliding poplar burl doors with custom circular handles by Winchester Interiors. Glass brick screen custom designed by YSG Studio, crafted by Promena Projects with Poesia glass blocks in Smoky Quartz from Obeco Glass Blocks. **Benchtop** Marius Aureti microcement in Beige Melisse 027C from Bishop Master Finishes. **Island** Leather-brushed Magnesia stone from Artedomus with Nero tumbled natural stone mosaics from Bisanna Tiles. Inset Poesia glass blocks in Aquamarine from Obeco Glass Blocks. **Splashback** Honed Ocean Blue travertine from Artedomus. **Wall finish** Dulux 'Seed Pearl'. **Ceiling finish** Custom toffee Waterstone plaster from Bishop Master Finishes. **Flooring** Black stained oak floorboards from Antique Floors with brished natural oil and Nero tumbled mosaic tiles from Bisanna Tiles. **Sink** 'Belfast Farmhouse' kitchen sink in Brushed Gunmetal from ABI Interiors. **Tapware** 'Icon' sink mixer with swivel spout and pull-out spray in Matt Black from Astra Walker. **Cooktop** Pitt natural gas cooktop from Winning Appliances. **Rangehood** Integrated Qasair 'Albany' island rangehood from Winning Appliances with custom Waterstone plaster render from Bishop Master Finishes. **Lighting** 'Perri' adjustable downlights from Sphera. 'Cast' floor-to-ceiling lamp from Asaf Weinbroom. **Accessories** Vintage vase from Studio ALM. Opus Lab mushroom salt cellar from The DEA Store. *Marmalade* artwork by Dior Mahnken from Saint Cloche Gallery. Ichendorf Milano 'Travasi' colour-block bottles by Astrid Luglio. Vintage glass bowl from Rudi Rocket and glass tumbler from Jordan. **Furniture** 'Iva' stool in custom grape-hued leather from Grazia & Co. Arflex 'Elettra' dining chairs from Space.