



Perf House, London, UK

The Perf House design was driven by clients who's brief was to bring some of the light quality and openness of their native Sardinia to central London. The scope involved the complete removal off all existing internal elements of this petit 5-storey Georgian terrace house in Pimlico, leaving a 6 sided internal volume. ama then re-imagined the spaces within to deliver a new home environment with transparency and connection, materiality and texture, light and shadow, excitement and tranquility.

A restrained palette of industrial materials - raw concrete and raw steel, combine with refined glass, timber and carefully detailed plasterwork to create a relaxed but crisp interior. To solve the issue of a dark and unwelcoming basement level so common in this building type, we introduced a ground floor made up entirely of pavements lights, common but unappreciated on every London commercial street - repurposed here to allow natural light and activity to connect the first two levels of the building.

From the basement level a handmade steel staircase connects to the ground floor and then works its way up to the first floor, at which point the solid steel plates transform into a perforated metal spine which cuts right through the building to the top floor. This use of the perforations throughout the house help to intensify the light through various aperture dimensions.

Architects: Andy Martin Architecture - Shawn Cooper, Andy Martin

Structural Engineers:

Main Contractors:

Photographer: Nick Rochowski

Notes to Editors:

Established in 2000 and based in London, **AMA** is a new generation architectural practice. The studio incorporates architects, interior designers, furniture, lighting, and product designers. Andy, who has worked with some illustrious names in design and creative fields, creates some of the most memorable spaces in London and around the globe, including homes for Noel Gallagher and Olga Polizzi. His commercial projects include a long list of restaurants in London and around the world including his work with Kurt Zdesar on Fucina; Barrafina, Mash, and Isola Restaurants in London; Chan Restaurant in Thessaloniki, Greece; Villa Zevaco in Casablanca. **AMA** is presently working in New York City on a new flagship store for Richard James Savile Row.

“Our mission at ama is to carry out ambitious building projects at multiple scales and programmes, with a commitment to innovation, design and sustainability. We build within the city as if it is our own, and we are proud of the result and conscious of the effect that our buildings have on both the city around and the inhabitants within.”