

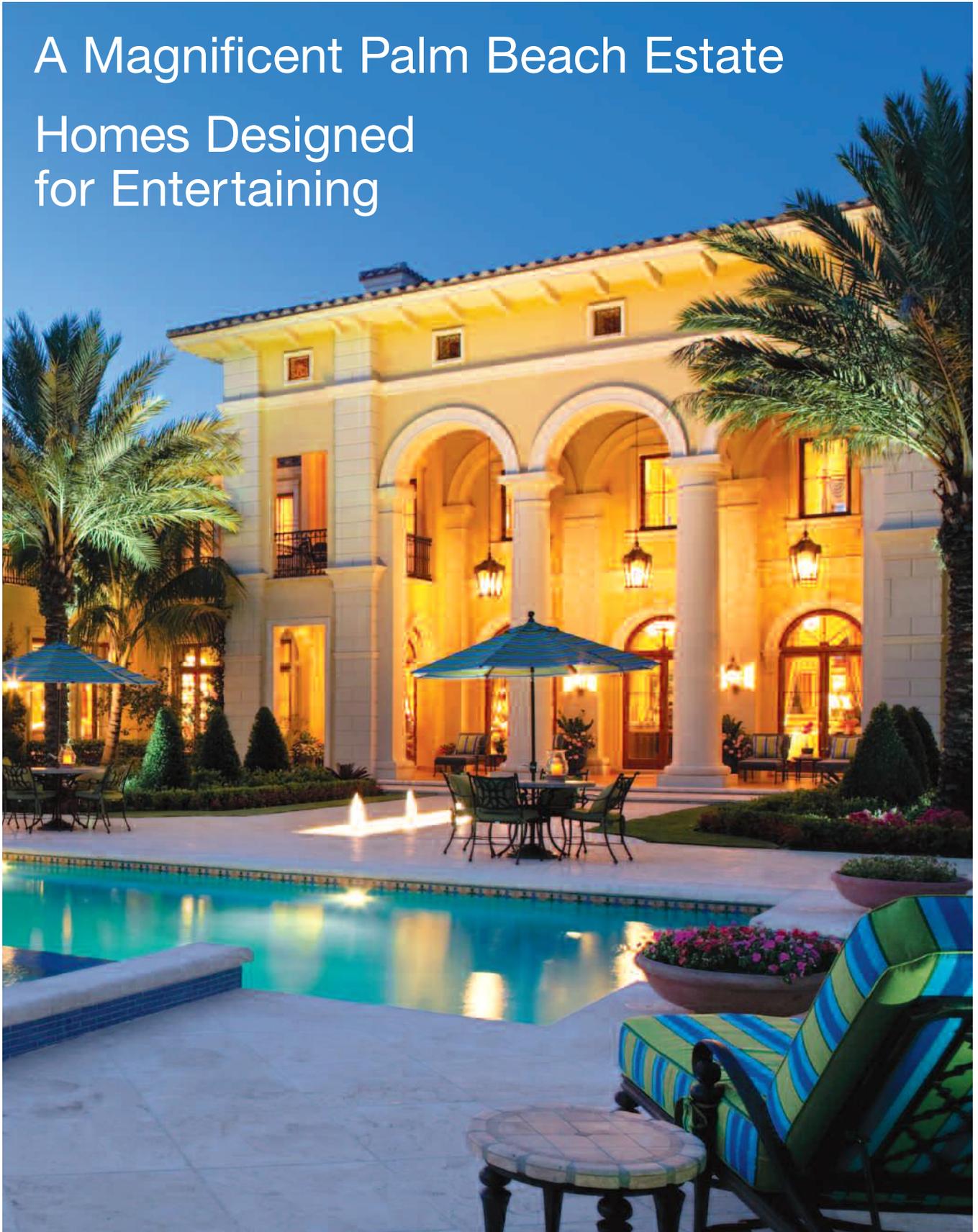
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A Contemporary Condominium Provides For
One British Gentleman A Colorful Environment
For Entertaining Friends

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INTERIOR DESIGNER JENNIFER CORREDOR designs from natural instincts, demonstrating an uncanny knack to synthesize ideas to align perfectly with her clients — an attribute that made her collaboration with homeowner Steve Leibowitz, a transplanted West Coast resident (via South Africa and England) who desired an explosion of color, a solid match. For the Jamaican-born designer, this request was a spontaneous inclination.

The 2,900-square-foot condominium, featuring two bedrooms high up in one of Williams Island's luxurious towers in Aventura, Fla., is an open expanse of modern-style furnishings, contemporary textures, innovative lighting and an array of color that fulfills one of Leibowitz's chief requirements "to have a club-like environment to entertain friends," he says.

RIGHT: Double entrance doors made from African Afromesia wood and framed with red-glass panels open onto the dining area beyond, where Ingo Maurer's light fixture features notes from friends. Verner Panton's fiberglass "S" chairs from Luminaire surround an Eero Saarinen table.



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A DASH OF RED AND AN ETCHED-GLASS WINDOW SURPRISE GUESTS IN THE KITCHEN AND REFLECT THE UNEXPECTED IN THIS OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE SPACE.



ABOVE: Centrally placed track lighting angles down to the living area's modular sofa, which pairs with a silver floor lamp from B&B Italia and an occasional table from Cappellini. Polished limestone flooring from Opustone flows into the kitchen, where NuConcept barstools pull up to an island topped in lava stone.

Corredor started by remodeling the home, demolishing floors and installing a new wall. As inspiration, the designer was partly guided by the oddly angled floor-to-ceiling windows that blur the division between inside and out. "It opens up the space even more, creating a blank slate that allowed many design options," Corredor says. Working predominantly with white, orange and splashes of red, the designer incorporated other hues as well, including tones of black and lime green for a stark contrast.

“Mixing shapes, materials and patterns in bold colors simulates a lively club atmosphere and gives an out-of-the-box look,” interior designer Jennifer Corredor says.



To delineate the entrance, a traditional crystal chandelier wrapped in a thin veil of sheer, black fabric illuminates the limestone flooring. Corredor reverses light and dark in the foyer, as beige floors change to gray. A white, pear-shaped light fixture further demonstrates the contrasting, dual-tone theme.

In the adjacent dining area, a contoured wall with a layer of hand-matched, white-glass pebbles adds a hint of rich texture to the space. A lime green-painted glass wall in the nearby living area is a welcome surprise from the white and black dominating the dining area.

Shapes abound in the living area, where a wave-patterned rug picks up the curves of the kitchen's fiberglass and steel barstools. Nestled in the breakfast area are lighter, more playful versions of the dining chairs. Just outside, a single pop of red dominates the terrace in a hanging Lucite bubble chair.

Recurring shapes and colors are used to good effect in the master bedroom, where white, orange and red reign supreme. A low mahogany platform bed offers a full view of the water and blends in with the warm-brown, woven area rug.

Corredor consulted with the owner each step of the way, but in the end, “the designer knows best,” remarks Leibowitz. “It’s exactly what I wanted.”

ABOVE: The three-dimensional graphic art painted on the wall of the breakfast area, custom designed by Corredor, connects to the curve on the dining table's metal base. A 65-inch plasma television is perfect for entertaining a room full of guests. Chairs from NuConcept featuring dual tones, white on the inside and black on the back, echo the hues of the chairs found in the dining area.

Evoking a carefree lifestyle, a Lucite bubble chair with a custom-made, red-cotton cushion suspends from the terrace's roof with a stainless steel clasp embedded into the concrete. The condominium, situated on the waterfront, faces an unobstructed view of the Intracoastal Waterway.



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Wood tones balance the dominating hues of yellow, orange and red in the master bedroom, such as in the curved chair. Tech Lighting's pendants from Farrey's that hang on either side of the bed are almost invisible next to *Greatness & Power*, a painting by Martha Salas-Kesser.

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SOURCES

Entrance/Foyer

Entrance doors - Custom designed and fabricated by Miami Wall Unit Group, Hialeah, FL

Wall covering fabricated by A-A Glass & Mirror LLC, Miami, FL

Entrance light fixture - Farrey's Wholesale Hardware Co., Inc., North Miami, FL

Light fixture in foyer - Mandonio, Miami, FL

Dining Area

Wall covering fabricated by Guzman & Co., Miami, FL

Dining table and chairs, and vase on table - Luminaire, Coral Gables, FL

Light fixture - Ingo Maurer, Luminaire, Coral Gables, FL

Living Area

Wall covering - Custom designed by J Design Group, Inc., Coral Gables, FL

Entertainment system - Cappellini Sistemi, Luminaire, Coral Gables, FL

Occasional tables - Cappellini, Miami, FL

Floor lamp - B&B Italia, Luminaire, Coral Gables, FL

Kitchen

Cabinetry, countertops, backsplash and window wall - Custom designed by J Design Group, Inc., Coral Gables, FL

Cabinetry fabricated by Yamini Kitchens, Coral Gables, FL

Window wall fabricated by Etched Glass By Able, Pompano Beach, FL

Barstools - NuConcept, North Miami, FL

Breakfast Area

Painted wall fabricated by Turcio Brothers, Inc., Miami, FL

Dining table and entertainment cabinet - Décor, Miami, FL

Chairs - NuConcept, North Miami, FL

Light fixture - Farrey's Wholesale Hardware Co., Inc., North Miami, FL

Floor lamp - B&B Italia, Luminaire, Coral Gables, FL

Terrace

Hanging chair - Décor, Miami, FL

Flooring - Universal Stone, Inc., Miami, FL

Fabricated by Quality Stone by Martile, Inc., Miami, FL

Master Bedroom

Bed, bedside tables and lounge chair - Luminaire, Coral Gables, FL

Pendants - Tech Lighting, Farrey's Wholesale Hardware Co., Inc., North Miami, FL

Artwork - Martha Salas-Kesser, Coconut Grove, FL

Wood flooring - BR-111, Medley, FL

Throughout

Millwork and molding - Miami Wall Unit Group, Hialeah, FL

Lighting installation and electrical work - Billy's Electrical Services, Inc., Hollywood, FL

Plumbing work - Miami Shores Plumbing, Miami, FL

Florals - Maria Sidewalk Flowers, Miami, FL

Limestone flooring - Opustone, Miami, FL

Fabricated by Quality Stone by Martile, Inc., Miami, FL ♦