

"I try to elevate all five senses in a space"

Jannat Vasi Interior Design

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Jannat Vasi denies having a signature style, but certain themes run through the many luxury residential interiors she has designed across India. Since founding her eponymous Mumbai-based firm in 2012, Vasi has created bright, modern spaces that favor inlaid stonework, detailed craftsmanship, and rich layers of materials and textures. Most furnishings are custom; Vasi earned a certificate in furniture design from Pratt Institute in New York and has since built relationships with Indian manufacturers. Beyond that, she and her fiveperson team let clients' personalities and heritages guide their concepts. "I feel it's important to study the client and be sensitive to the human experience," Vasi says.

The owners of this 3,500-square-foot Mumbai apartment are from Rajasthan, a state known for its stone and inlay work. Given the clients' background, Vasi says, "They were keen to use marble, not in a traditional Indian design, but by using that craftsmanship in a modern way." Vasi, who works with Rajasthani *karigars*, or artisans, on every project, flew a group of them to Mumbai to hand carve the 13 varieties of marble she specified in the apartment. Working from her ideas, they created a foyer floor of gray Versailles marble inlaid with walnut in geometric shapes with brass-and-copper trim, and a bedroom floor and headboard wall of white Indian

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marble with mother-of-pearl inlay. Vanities of carved peach and pink marble ensure that two smaller bathrooms still feel elegant.

Although the apartment is not a seasonal retreat but the year-round residence of a family of five, Vasi dubbed it Summer Home for its warm, light palette of white oak-veneered walls and ceiling, blush bouclé-covered custom armchairs, sage Nama Home side tables, and ombré Calico wall covering that evokes twilight skies. Brushed-brass paneling and Flos and Paul Matter lighting—plus all that marble—keep the mood airily urbane. *jannatvasi.com* —Rebecca Dalzell >



