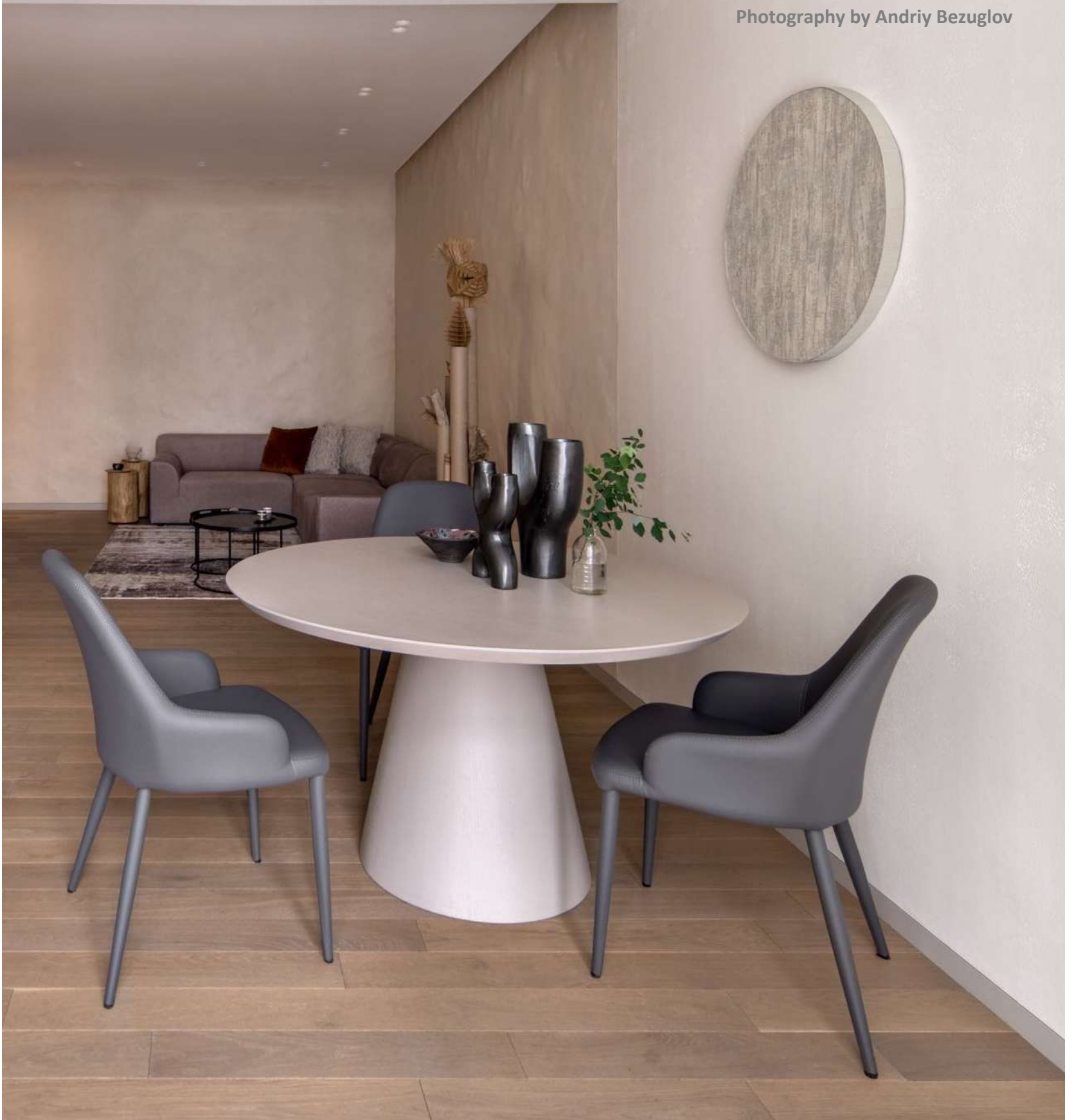


# LIVING ON



Led by designer Julia Baydyk, Alta Idea studio projected a 116 m<sup>2</sup> apartment by the natural simplicity with a Ukrainian artistic spirit in Kyiv.

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"In a narrow corridor, squeezed between the supporting columns and walls, we have installed darkened bronze mirrors illuminated along their entire rim. These techniques have helped to create a pleasant feeling of free space."  
Julia Baydyk



**A**s of early 2022, this home project was nearly complete (only a few details and decorations left to add) and about to be unveiled by clients. Due to the large-scale invasion of Ukraine, many of their plans were ruined. However, despite the difficult circumstances, this indomitable family continues to live, enjoying each day with gratitude and inspiring others to work and fight for their dreams and a happy and peaceful future.

The clients wished the interior would create the feeling of a comfortable private house, natural and environmentally friendly, but with a touch of a modern vision. They were reluctant to live outside the city, because they appreciate its comfortable infrastructure and love urban energy and rhythm. However, they were eager to create a warm home that would reflect natural emotions and feelings. Therefore, the

design team of Alta Idea studio chose the Earth-hues colour palette and designed the interior using the tactile aesthetics of clay, stone, timber and grass fields.

At the entrance of the house, a small but comfortable "welcome" area has been set up where a bench as well as a huge backrest have been covered in earth red fabric. A LED light highlights them. A full-height custom-made wardrobe has been included along the corridor. It leads us to the open plan social area.

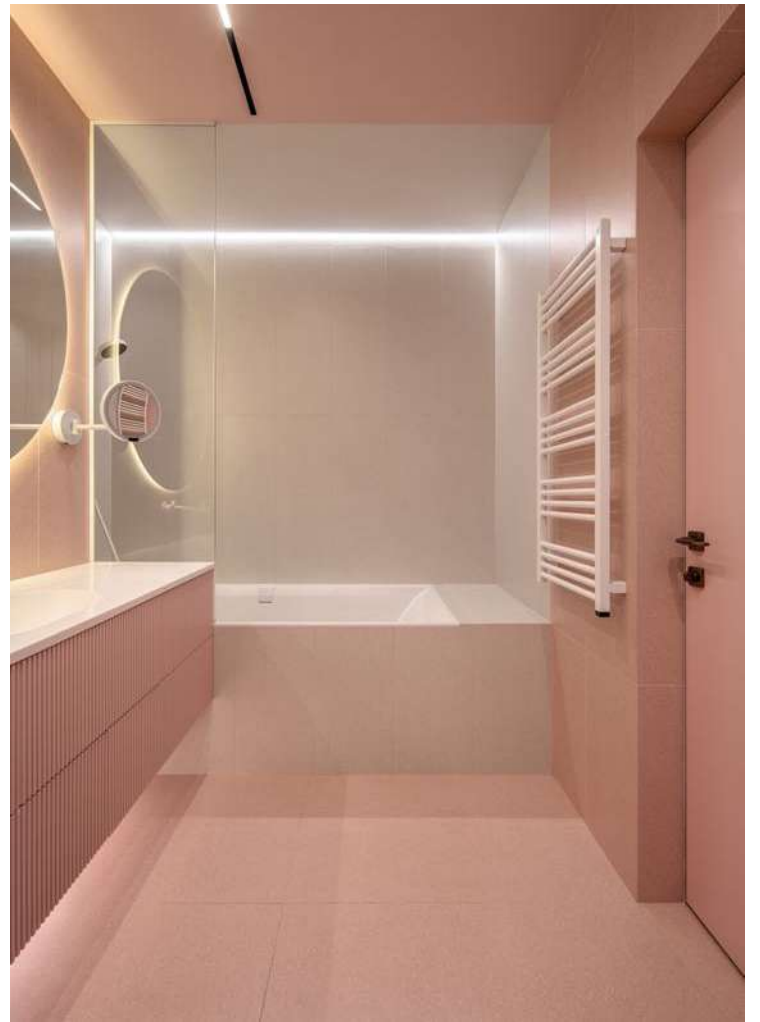
On the right kitchen-dining room with casual sophistication was positioned; in the background a huge window with curtains illuminates the entire living area. The linear kitchen is in gray line, with some decorative details in light wood. The dark gray dining chairs contrast with the round table which matches the shade of the wall. Above, black vases with organic lines emphasise its roundness and the curves of the round painting above it.



Visually separated by a darker colored wall; the modern living area includes the corner sofa in dirty lilac, a pair of wooden side tables and a copy of black coffee tables - everything is assembled by the carpet below. The imperfect walls give a natural rustic look while the natural fiber and cardboard sculpture by Ukrainian artist Tasha Oro adds a chic ethnic touch. In front, a dividing wall covered with wooden slats has been inserted which reflects the vertical motif.

Behind it, the design team included the bathroom which is synonymous with an elegant blend of glamor and minimalist aesthetics. From the furniture to the built-in tub to the floors and ceilings, it is dressed entirely in pink - a color associated with dreams and hope. A backlit mirror gives a dreamlike feeling.







A mandatory element in the house was a soundproof office, since the owner of the apartment is a professional presenter who works with sound and often hosts online programs. So, the design team opted for soundproof gray walls that match perfectly with the desk and wooden floor. The room also includes a comfortable beige sofa and all the necessary professional equipment. The youth room has a certain symmetry, aside from a two-tone wardrobe. On opposite sides of the room, we find the same beds, wall lamps and desks with shelves. Above the latter, a square arch created by wooden slats frames the enormous French window through which natural light passes.









The master bedroom has a rich but at the same time well-balanced character. The dull pastel blue lacquered wardrobes and furniture were custom made. The wall behind the bed was painted the same shade and creates a pleasant contrast with the huge rust brown headboard. The rest of the walls are in pale pink as is the bed linen. An array of avant-garde decorations has been included above the chest of drawers.



The second bathroom of the house includes a hanging cabinet with sink. Above, directly in the mirror, the design team inserted the light bulb-shaped wall lamp. In the shower the walls are covered with tiles inspired by nature. They are reflected in the opposite wall entirely made of mirror, giving a modern dynamic to the space.

