

SHADOW AND SOUL

Redefining the sanctuary, this residence balances a deep black palette with fluid forms for a bold yet intimate retreat.

There is a common misconception that dark interiors make a space feel small or sombre. Yet, when handled with mastery, darkness does the exact opposite, it blurs the boundaries of a room, creating an infinite, cocoon-like atmosphere that soothes the senses. In this sophisticated residence at Met 1, KL Metropolis, the team at DW Signature has challenged the conventional reliance on white walls, opting instead for a moody, dramatic palette that redefines the concept of a modern sanctuary.

Designed for a homeowner who appreciates refined elegance, the 1,613 sq. ft. condominium is a study in dark luxe. The design brief called for a home that was dramatic yet inviting, a place where bold aesthetics could coexist with the comfort required for daily

living. The result is a space where shadows are embraced as design elements, and warmth is quietly woven into every detail through deep walnut woods and rich stone textures.

The art of the curve begins upon entering, as one is immediately struck by the sculptural quality of the space. Rather than rigid, box-like structures, the designers have employed fluid lines to soften the masculine energy of the dark palette. The undeniable centrepiece of the living area is the custom curved ceiling feature. Finished in a specialized Unicraft texture paint, this crater-like organic form breaks the monotony of the standard flat ceiling, adding a raw, cave-like depth that feels both ancient and hyper-modern.



THIS PROJECT

PROJECT NAME | MET 1 RESIDENCE
PROJECT CATEGORY | RESIDENTIAL
PROJECT TYPE | HIGH-RISE - CONDOMINIUM
SITE AREA | 1, 613 SQ FT
PROJECT LOCATION | KL METROPOLIS, DUTAMAS

NAME OF DESIGNERS | DW SIGNATURE TEAM
DESIGNATION | DESIGNERS





This interplay of curves continues into the carpentry. The TV console area utilizes dark wood blended with rugged texture paint, creating a seamless transition between furniture and architecture. The use of black SPC flooring and black wooden blinds further anchors the space, allowing natural light to filter in as controlled, dramatic slivers rather than a harsh flood.

The dining and kitchen area serves as the home's social heart, designed to evoke the intimacy of a high-end speakeasy. The designers faced the challenge of maintaining the moody aesthetic without making the functional areas feel heavy. The solution lay in the exquisite choice of stone.

A bespoke island counter serves as the visual anchor, clad in blue in the night granite. This rare stone, with its deep, shimmering undertones, was painstakingly bent to follow the curved profile of the cabinetry, a feat of craftsmanship that turns a functional kitchen element into an art piece. Directly behind the dining table, a stunning floor-to-ceiling display wall acts as the room's backdrop. Backed by the chaotic, painterly veins of granite, the open shelving provides a striking contrast between the wild, organic patterns of the stone and the disciplined lines of the joinery.

Beyond the social areas lies a sanctuary for personal pursuits, a home office that reflects the owner's passions. The walls in this zone also feature the signature starlight texture paint, lending a rugged, sound-dampening visual quality that makes the room feel completely cut off from the outside world.



In the master bedroom, the design language softens into a realm of tactile calm. The space is defined by its feature wall, a composition of rugged, cliff-like texture paint flanked by disciplined dark wood panelling. This deliberate clash of rough and smooth surfaces creates a striking focal point, transforming the sleeping area into a restful, grounding retreat.

By balancing strength with sensitivity, DW Signature has delivered a home that feels less like a condominium and more like a boutique luxury retreat. It is a powerful reminder that in the world of interior design, sometimes the boldest move is to turn down the lights. ©





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