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by ARK





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The Head-Board

Developing top-quality homes has been a passion for over 25 years, so our clients can feel the unparalleled experience of enjoying unique, sustainable, balanced spaces that are also a financial asset.

Manuel R. Moriche, Santiago Ruiz and Diego Suárez are the great creative minds at this company dedicated to making dreams a reality. We turn clients' dreams into reality. That's why at ARK we create unique experiences. With ARK, each person gets a unique masterpiece design, built and detailed specifically for them.

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The ^{ARK} Team



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At ARK, architecture is a built idea. Each project begins as a shared vision with Manuel Ruiz Moriche, the architect and creative soul of our studio. Together with the client, we shape a journey where design becomes experience, and the dream home starts to take form from the very first sketch. Because building an ARK villa is more than construction; it is about giving life to a concept where emotion, precision, and beauty converge.

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We create spaces where light, natural materials, the spirit of the place, and a passion for detail become true luxury. That is why we approach each project as a masterpiece, designed to evoke emotion and be experienced to the fullest. An architecture that is not only seen but felt, turning the everyday into a unique sensory experience.







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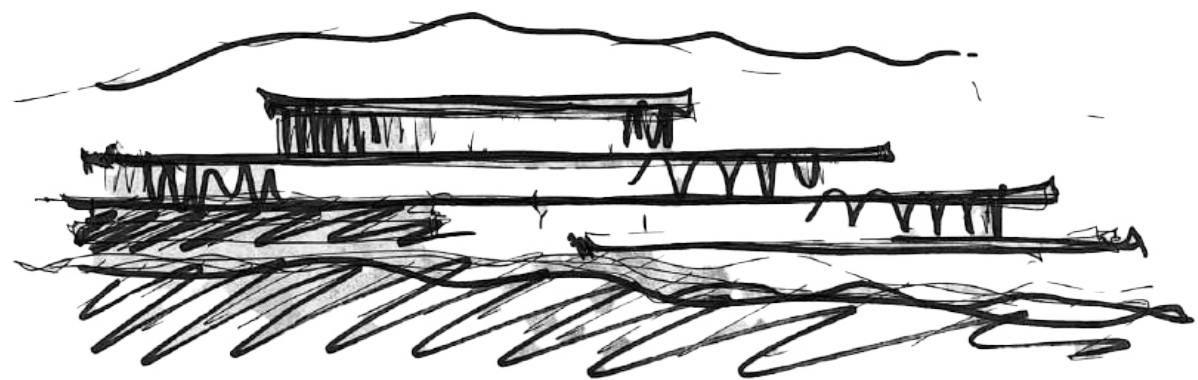




ARK WORLD

We create more than just architecture—we craft experiences that awaken the senses and provoke indescribable emotions. This is where light, location, materials, nature, and creativity merge in perfect symbiosis, giving life to unique architectural masterpieces, generating an experience that stimulates our senses.





Where design, quality, sustainability, technology, and experience
help architecture and location coexist to create
THE WORLD OF ARK.





QUIET LUXURY

Timeless elegance through masterful execution



*We go beyond the physical dimension of building construction.
We create atmospheres, spaces, and experiences to feel the
sensation of living at home;*

this is the ARK WORLD

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Listening to the Earth means we
can achieve a more humane
architecture. Every architectural
project seeks a balance
between the environment and the
client's needs.

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The presence of nature and light is essential in our work, creating a perfect symmetry between reason and emotion. Projects where nature, spaces, natural light, and a personal lifestyle all connect to create sustainable homes. This is our commitment.





A home designed like a glove, created by and for human life, where physical, emotional, and sensory well-being is at the centre of everything. This humanistic vision is naturally intertwined with our approach to bioarchitecture, resulting in spaces where design and life coexist in perfect harmony.



At ARK Architects, we see architecture as something living, deeply connected to the place where it stands.

That's why, when we talk about bioarchitecture, we're not just referring to the use of sustainable technologies, but to a way of designing rooted in deep respect for the environment and the natural landscape.

This philosophy shapes the design from the very first sketch: interior courtyards that promote natural ventilation, water features that cool and purify the air, vegetation integrated as a vital part of the living space... Everything is conceived so that the architecture can breathe—so that it feels alive.

We believe this is the future of architecture: designing from life, for life.



ABOUT MANUEL RUIZ MORICHE



The Creative Visionary



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Architecture exists because of light. The need to capture, understand and play with light is one of the keys to the success of our project.

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Any architectural project provides a response to a series of questions: a specific place in which to intervene, a client with needs and desires, a budget and a programme to complete—and our job is to answer all the questions that arise from them.

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Our architecture is designed
by and for the people who
inhabit it, which improves
their daily life so that they
can achieve something even
more sublime: happiness.

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His approach to contemporary and contextual design emphasizes the importance of the place where architecture is built, integrating it harmoniously with its surroundings. Light is considered an essential element, shaping spaces and enhancing their connection to the environment, while respecting and responding to the natural and cultural context.









Essential bioarchitecture, integrated into its natural surroundings, with breathtaking views of the golf course and the Mediterranean Sea.

The house essentially mirrors its surroundings, forming a geometric microclimate that embodies its natural environment. Materials, spaces, light, and plants are arranged to create a living area that seamlessly connects with the beautiful landscape around it.

Seeking an intimate connection with nature. The bioarchitecture is integrated with the environment, making nature and construction become one.



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In a natural environment with intense light softly filtered by vegetation, the connection with these elements is fundamental. Bioclimatic spaces enhance the quality of life, complemented by a ventilation system with heat recovery, which optimises energy efficiency and ensures excellent air quality all year round. To achieve this, clean and efficient aerothermal and photovoltaic technologies are used to generate electricity and regulate the temperature of the home. This not only benefits the environment but also reduces energy costs, with the aim of achieving total efficiency and energy self-sufficiency for most of the year.

Our gift is the garden—an element of connection, a pivot that ensures the bioarchitecture and the environment achieve harmony.





The interior of TAI stands out for its harmony and discretion, combining sophisticated design with elements that evoke tranquillity. Each space is carefully thought out to offer a cosy feeling, making every corner feel like a real home. Elegance and simplicity come together to create an ambience that invites comfort and well-being.





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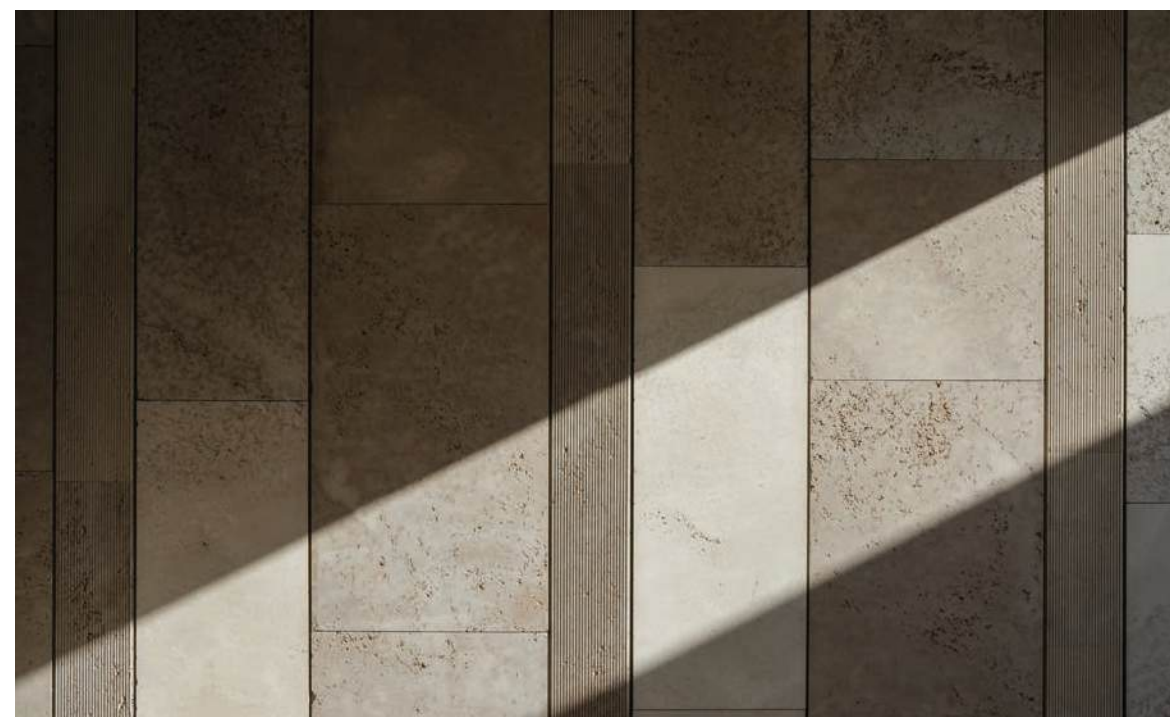
We control the whole building process right from the beginning. ARK has its own construction company, and the team that will undertake the project works strictly in keeping with the design and quality specifications of the architect's design area. This is one of the most valuable commitments appreciated by ARK Architects' clients who, once the project has started, are able to follow its progress in detail.



MORE THAN AN ARCHITECTURE STUDIO:
The unique model of designing, building, and selling homes.



Natural materials with different textures react to light,
creating spaces that we finally feel when
WE CREATE MASTERPIECES.

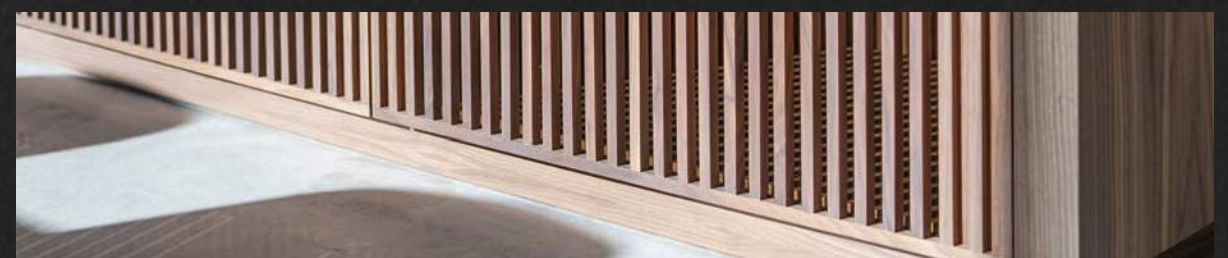
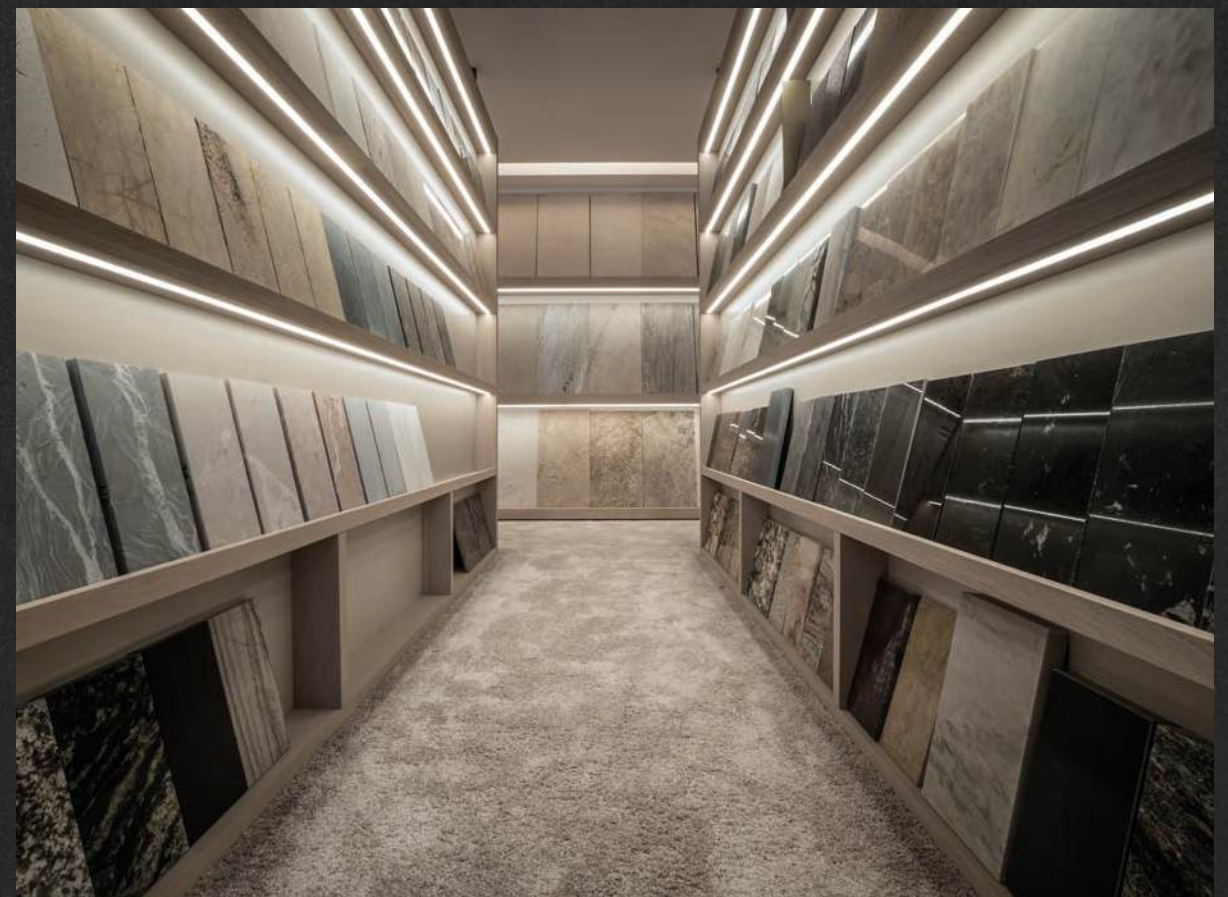






Every ARK villa begins with a deep respect for its surroundings. The natural orientation, views, and landscape inform not only the design but the entire living experience. Sustainability is seamlessly integrated from the start, shaping a home that is both efficient and emotionally resonant. Interior design, light, textures, and rhythm work together to evoke a sense of calm—a sanctuary where architecture becomes a reflection of life itself.

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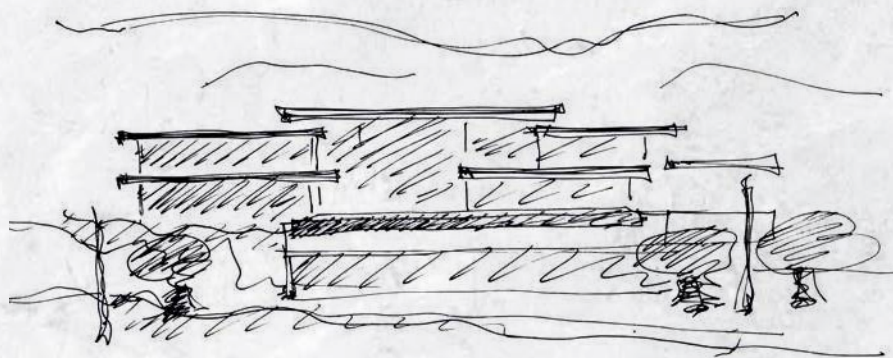




KAIZEN

The KAIZEN Villa features spacious living areas that flow seamlessly into the outdoors, offering breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and Mediterranean Sea.

Every element of the villa has been thoughtfully designed to create a sense of harmony between interior and exterior spaces. Natural materials such as warm woods, textured stone, and handcrafted metals bring a tactile richness to each room, while large sliding doors and open-plan layouts allow the living areas to extend effortlessly onto sun-drenched terraces and shaded courtyards.



This seamless connection to the outdoors encourages residents to experience the changing light, scents, and sounds of the Mediterranean throughout the day, creating a home that is as dynamic and alive as the landscape that surrounds it.



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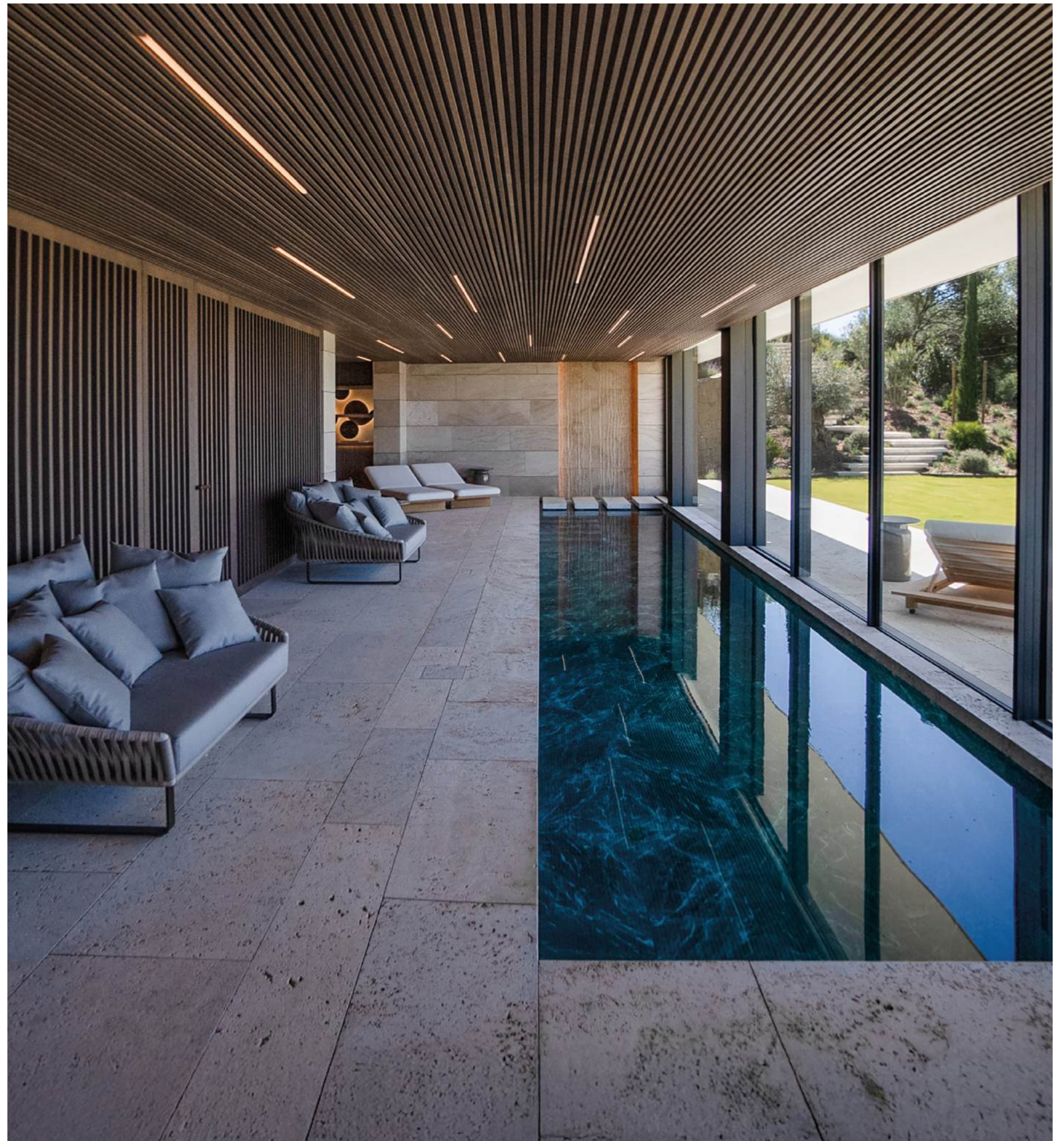
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The villa features 5 luxurious bedrooms, each with its own en-suite bathroom, ensuring that everyone enjoys their own private space. The master bedroom is a true oasis of relaxation, with large windows that offer stunning views of the mountains and sea.





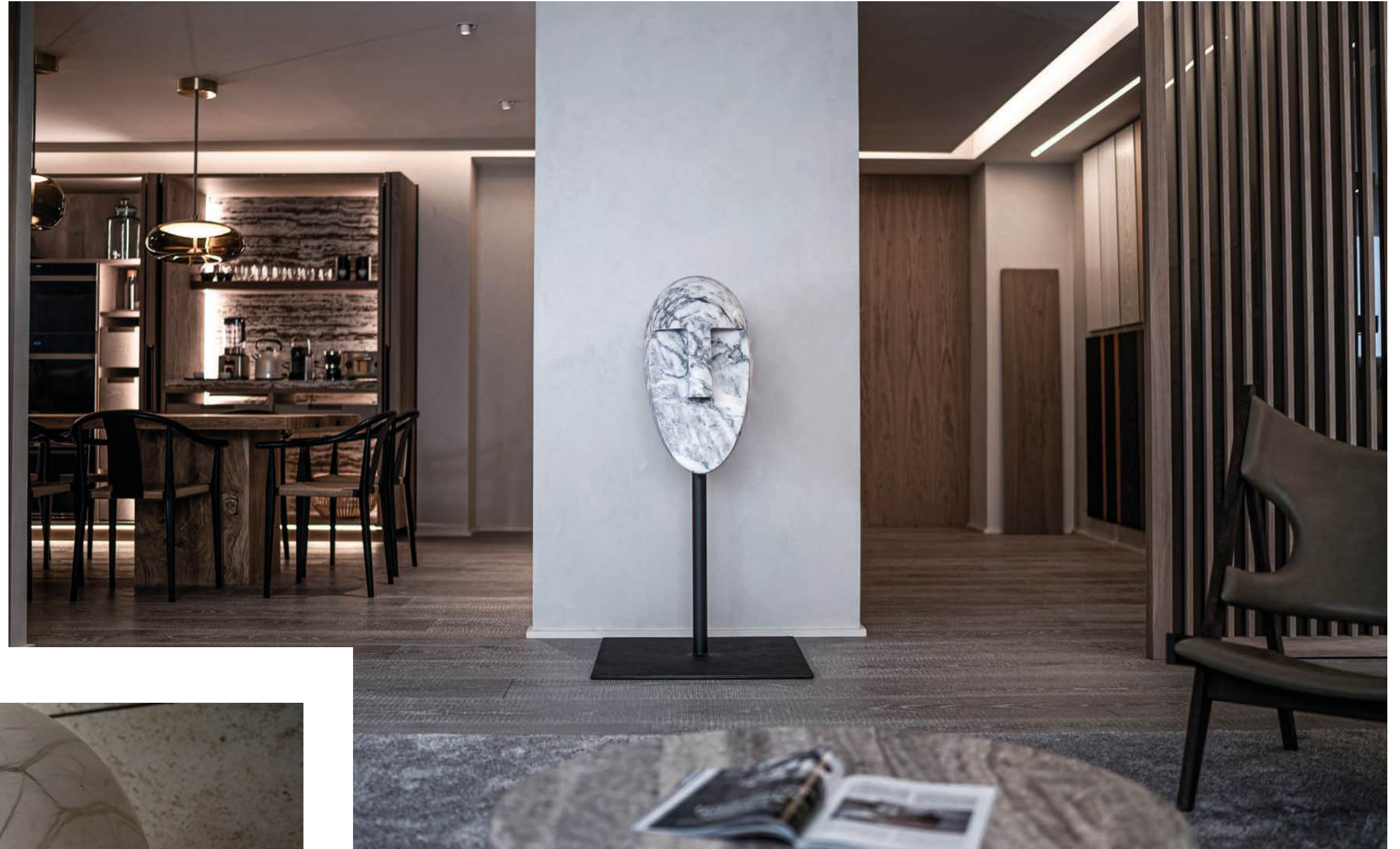
In addition to the luxurious bedrooms, the villa also boasts an indoor pool, a spa, a wine cellar, and a gym. Whether you're looking to relax and unwind, enjoy a glass of your favourite wine, or stay fit and healthy, this villa has everything you need. The villa's expansive living spaces are perfect for hosting large gatherings or intimate dinner parties, while the fully equipped gourmet kitchen is a chef's dream come true.



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COLLECTION





HUMAN

The HUMAN collection by Manuel Ruiz Moriche was born not from a purely artistic question but from an architectural one: How can form, geometry, and material express the human being without literally representing it? This sculptural series, by ARK Architects' co-founder and creative director, goes beyond aesthetics. It reflects ARK's philosophy—a deep exploration of geometry, light, shadow, and materiality, translated into the language of art.

by Manuel Ruiz Moriche

The sculptures—heads reimagined through abstraction—begin with a pure volume: an ovoid from which precise sections have been subtracted, evoking the timeless silhouette of a bust. That formal purity, that almost surgical precision, is no accident. It is the natural language of the architect. “Architects express ourselves through geometry,” says Manuel—and this collection is a physical reflection of that idea.

Inspired by classical Greco-Roman busts, the HUMAN pieces don’t aim to replicate, but to reinterpret. Like ARK’s architecture, they live in the balance between classical roots and modern expression—between the eternal and the now. “I don’t approach this as a sculptor,” Manuel explains. “I approach it as an architect.” And that is evident in every cut, every line, every gesture.

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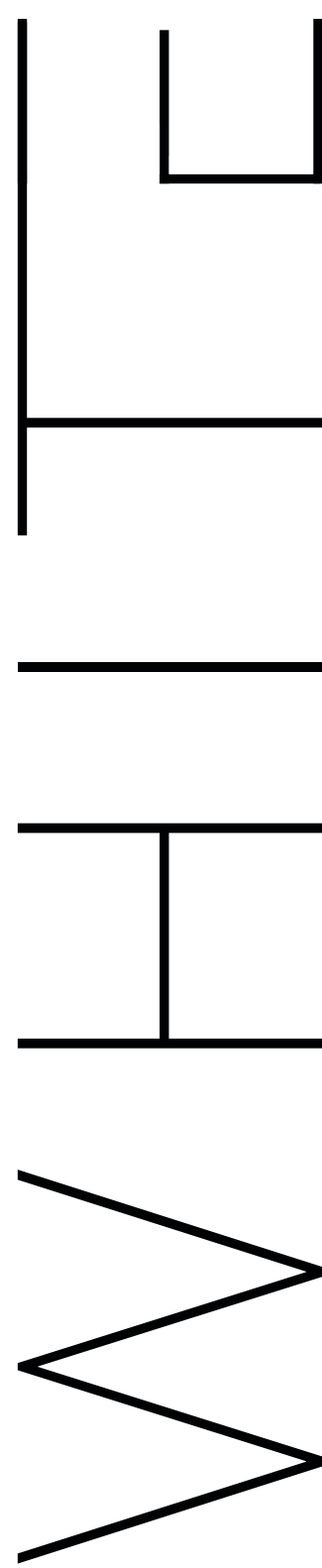
NATURAL STONE KNIVES

We understand architecture as a deeply crafted process. Designing a villa isn't just about creating a structure—it's about shaping something unique, where every material, every joint, and every gesture matters. That same philosophy is what inspired our co-founder and creative director, Manuel Ruiz Moriche, to design a limited series of knives that embody the very essence of how we approach our work.



A knife may seem like a simple kitchen tool. But in this case, it becomes something much more—a crafted object that expresses the same core values that define our architecture: pure form, material honesty, functionality, and timeless beauty. “Our way of understanding architecture is that of an artisan,” says Manuel. “We think about how things are built, about detail and precision—and that’s exactly how we approached this piece.”

Designed using two essential materials—forged steel and natural stone—the knife reflects the same principles we apply when building our homes: a respect for materials, a dialogue between tradition and innovation, and execution with near-surgical precision. To achieve this, we collaborated with master metalworkers and stone artisans, merging both disciplines into a single object where stone and steel fit together seamlessly.



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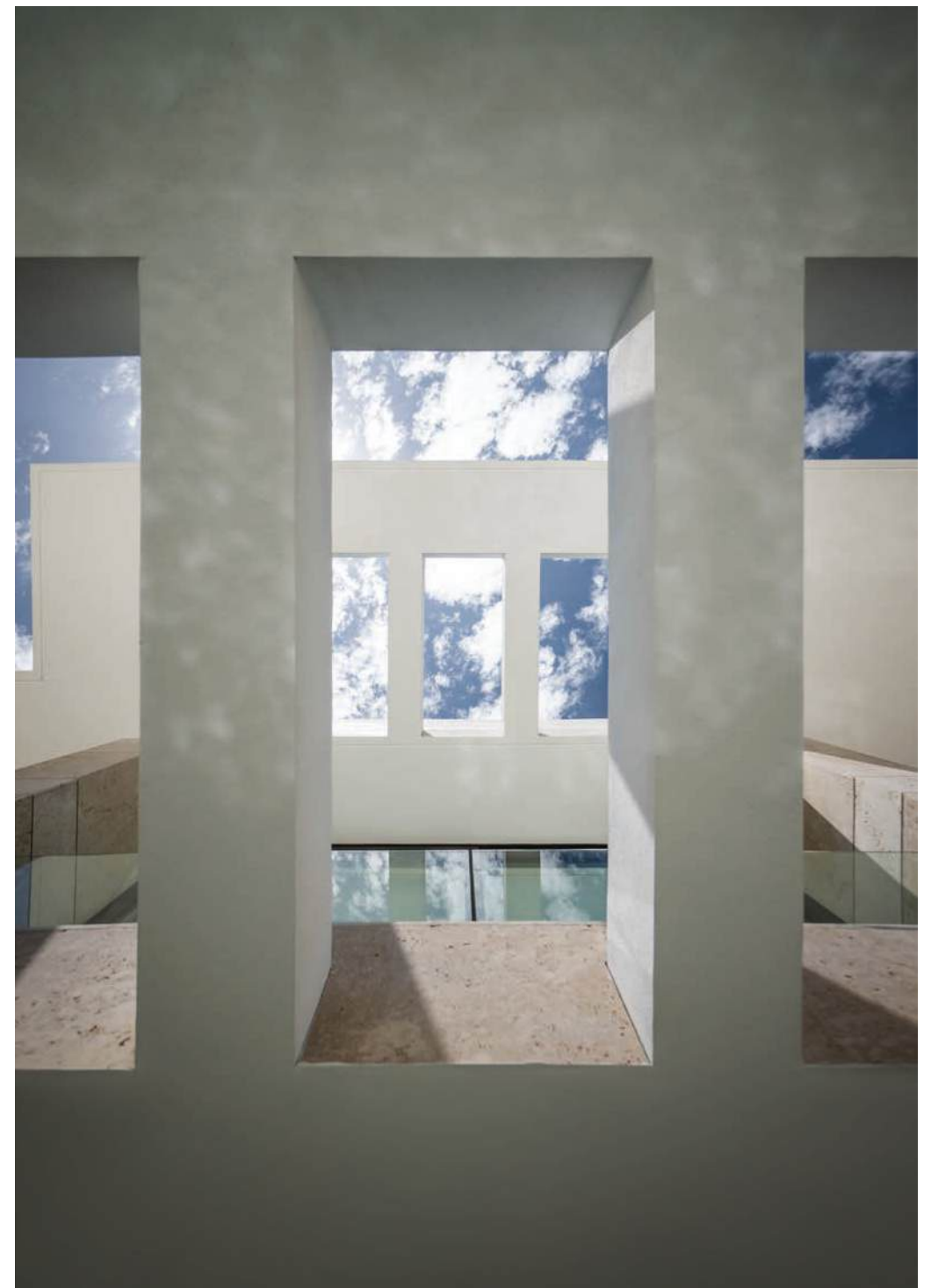
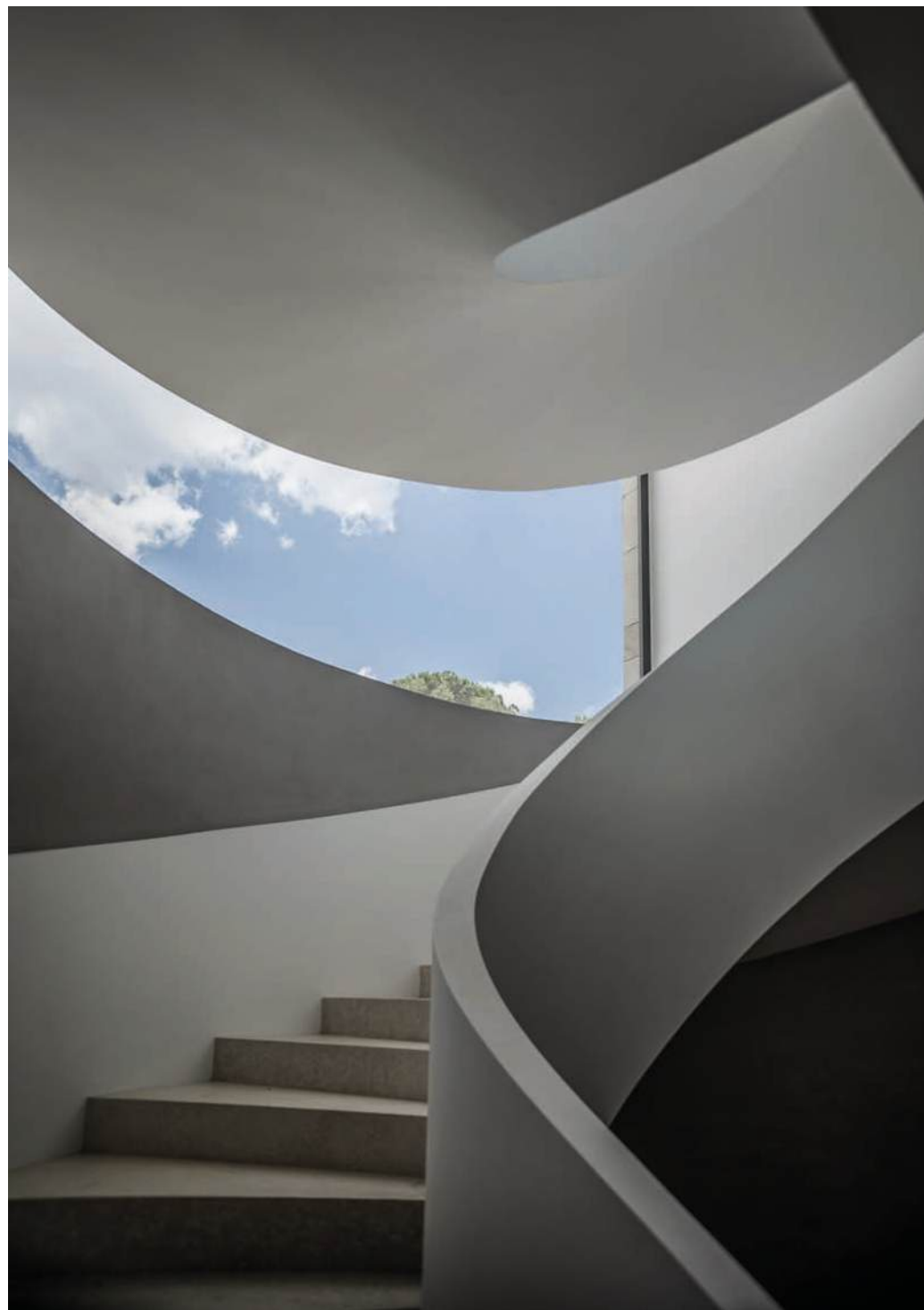


WHITE

Timeless architecture unfolds in WHITE, a composition of clean white lines, pure horizontality, and open sightlines over the Almenara Golf fairways.

Designed to rest lightly on the landscape, the villa blurs the limits between inside and out, letting natural light and silence define each space.







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WHITE

The open-plan interiors connect seamlessly, from the living and dining areas to wide terraces that invite both quiet solitude and laid-back gatherings. Every detail has been considered to evoke calm, clarity, and refined simplicity.

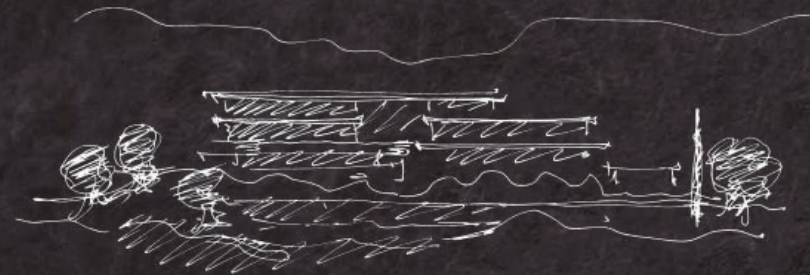
Set apart from the main house, a private guest pavilion offers space to

host with quiet elegance. The heart of the home is a warm, functional kitchen outfitted with Sub-Zero and Wolf appliances, flowing into a casual TV lounge—a lived-in space designed for ease.

A separate service kitchen and laundry maintain the home's rhythm without interruption.







Downstairs, a collection of intimate spaces welcomes pause and pleasure: a wine cellar, cinema room, games lounge, and a full spa retreat with Jacuzzi, plunge pool, gym, sauna, steam, and massage room.

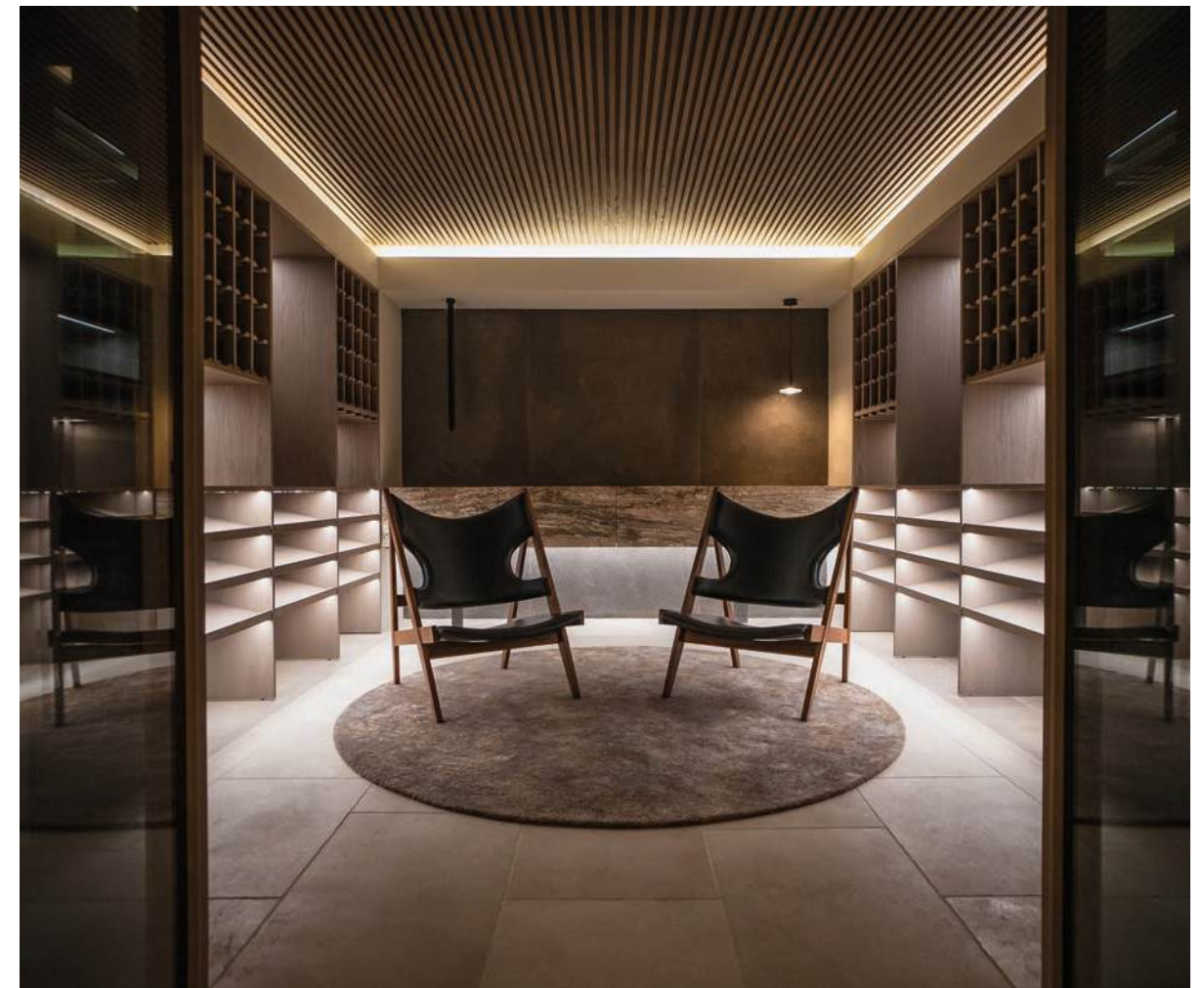
All this is framed by landscaped gardens, a private tennis court, and wide views across the golf course, stretching to the Mediterranean Sea beyond.



"A masterpiece where elegance, comfort, and lifestyle come together in perfect harmony."







Located in one of the quietest and most sought-after areas of Sotogrande Costa is TIERRA.

Two lines draw this project—broken while minimalist and sober—two lines parallel to the continuous and flat landscape. Two lines that shelter the shaded spaces to inhabit, and from which to contemplate the surrounding garden.

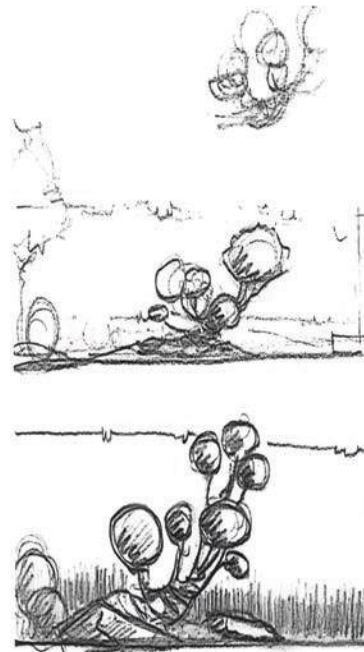
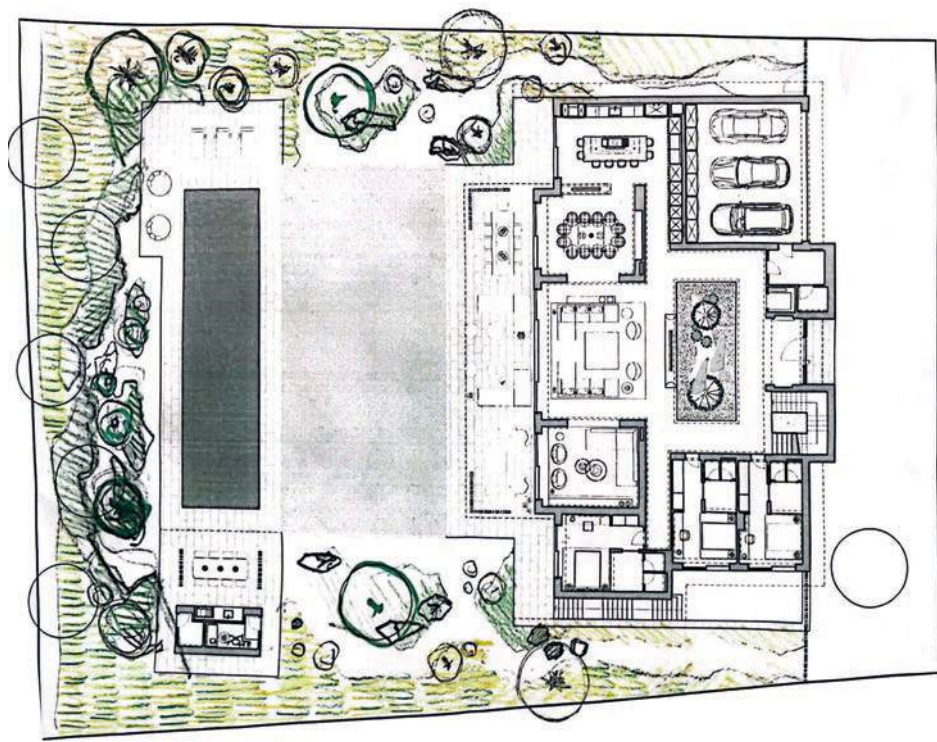
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As if the project itself wanted to move further away from the street, turning towards itself and in doing so, when we enter it, it gives us two magical gardens—one inside and one outside. The first garden makes up the patio that separates the house, in the manner of the traditional Andalusian patio-houses and their large “impluvium” of light. And the second, towards which the eyes of the house turn, a great natural backdrop reflected, next to the Mediterranean sky, in the slender sheet of water in the pool.





The sobriety of its large stone walls and the lightness of two lines of white eaves give it a certain spirit of tranquility and calm.





Unique furniture pieces designed and crafted by the ARK team.



Once inside, the Mediterranean tradition merges with contemporary minimalism in a large atrium, like a covered patio, through which the light digs into the two guiding lines of the project.

A patio that returns the garden to the interior of the house, a patio around which the different rooms

on both floors are arranged: living rooms, dining room and kitchen, the six bedrooms, and even the private garage are directly or indirectly dedicated to relating to the patio, while they also open up to the views of the idyllic garden—or to the pool that reflects the lines of the eaves in its waters.

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DESIGNING SPACES YOU CAN SAVOUR

Where architecture and gastronomy come together
to awaken all your senses.



ARCHITECTURE THAT TASTES LIKE HOME

At ARK, the kitchen isn't just designed—it's crafted
to be lived in and shared.







For us the kitchen is more than a functional space—it's where life happens. Rooted in our Mediterranean culture, it becomes a social hub, a sensory experience, and the heart of every home. We design each kitchen as a fully personalised, open space where light, materials, and human connection come together. Because real architecture, like gastronomy, is meant to be felt with all the senses.





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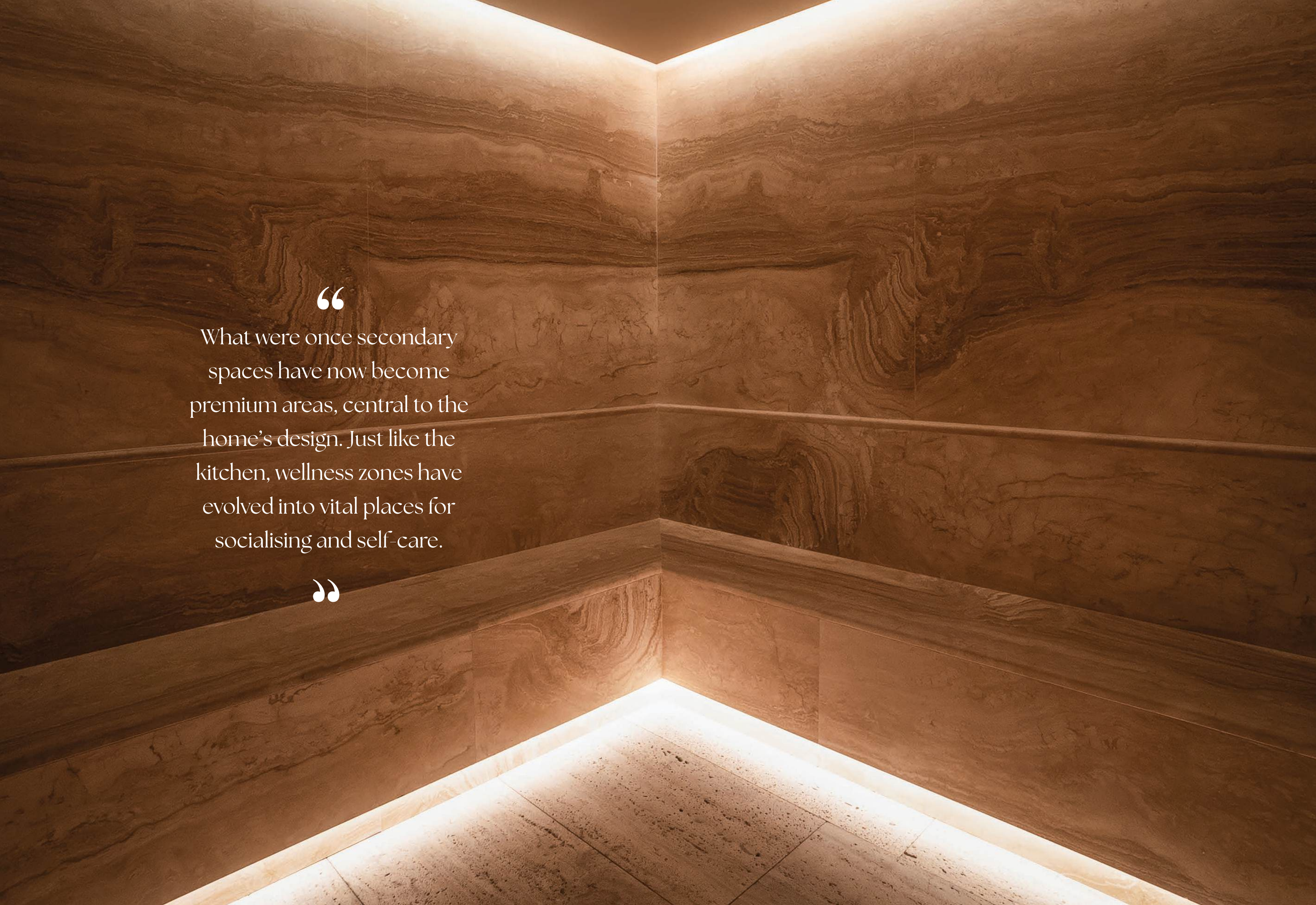
Wellness has become a cornerstone of residential design. We recognise the growing importance of creating homes that foster personal care and holistic wellbeing, seamlessly connecting residents with nature and their surroundings.

That's why we integrate specialized areas such as hyperbaric chambers, cold therapy rooms, meditation spaces, and open areas that encourage relaxation and rejuvenation.

These spaces not only provide comfort but also promote health and emotional balance.

At ARK, we thoughtfully design each project to harmoniously incorporate these wellness areas, ensuring that wellbeing is experienced in every corner of the home and through its relationship with the natural environment.





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What were once secondary
spaces have now become
premium areas, central to the
home’s design. Just like the
kitchen, wellness zones have
evolved into vital places for
socialising and self-care.

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This evolution in residential architecture reflects a broader cultural shift: wellbeing is no longer a luxury but a necessity. At ARK, we see wellness design not as an add-on but as an integral part of the home's identity—intelligently woven into the architecture to elevate daily life with beauty, purpose, and intention.

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Bioarchitecture without borders



OASIS OF LIFE

Manuel Ruiz Moriche has incorporated the shared influences of the Mediterranean and Islamic cultures in every corner of the “Mansions type 2 and type 5”, taking inspiration from the hillsides of the island where each curve lends an inspirational sense to the projects in a natural enclave where the desert sand is taken as an “oasis of life in Abu Dhabi”.

DHABI



The real estate development company Modon Properties, a leading real estate company in the Nawayef area, is developing the 84 most exclusive villas in Abu Dhabi, adapting their shapes to the hills that reach heights of up to 55 metres, with breathtaking views of the Abu Dhabi skyline and the blue waters of the Persian Gulf.

The ambitious project offers its residents a captivating combination of sports, nature, serenity, hospitality, and pristine beaches.

ARK NEWS

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BRANDVOICE

Manuel Ruiz, the architect of quiet, sustainable luxury

Nature and light in perfect balance, a symmetry poised between reason and emotion. His holistic vision of architecture, spanning every stage of a project, embodies with clarity the philosophy of ARK Architects.



Read full article here!

With a humanist approach, attuned to place and sculpted through light, Manuel Ruiz becomes the instrument through which the dreams of future residents take form. Designed with the finished work in mind and striving for harmony with the surrounding landscape, this is the essence of his projects.

“The reinvention of architecture goes hand in hand with the evolution of personal priorities, lifestyles, remote working, the digitalisation of processes, shifting socio-economic contexts, and a healthy way of life that embraces environmental responsibility. This forces us to remain in a constant state of ‘beta’, adapting to the demands of the high-end market,” says Manuel Ruiz Moriche, co-founder and creative director of ARK.

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INTERIOR DESIGN

Inner courtyards, glass walls, designer furnishings and a Mediterranean garden define this luxury villa in Sotogrande.

Inspired by “classical architecture reinvented in a modern key,” this striking 1,600-square-metre home is both sustainable and indulgent, showcasing exquisite craftsmanship, natural materials, and Molteni&C furniture.



Read full article here!

A luxury, sustainable villa in Sotogrande. A true Mediterranean paradise. This is TAI, the latest project by ARK Architects. Under the direction of Manuel Ruiz Moriche, the studio has brought to life a luxury home defined by artisanal materials and bespoke pieces, where sustainability stands at the heart of its identity.

Situated in Sotogrande, TAI makes the most of its privileged setting through an architecture that seamlessly blends interior and exterior spaces, featuring glass walls, skylights, courtyards, indoor ponds, and carefully curated native landscaping. Its inspiration? A fusion of Greco-Roman and Japanese architecture, “a reinvention of classical architecture in a modern key.”

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BUSINESS

Architecture and Wine Merge Their Essences with the Light of the Mediterranean

Manuel Ruiz, creative director and co-founder of ARK Architects, and José Moro, chairman of Bodegas Cepa 21, both emphasise that creating experiences lies at the heart of their work.



Read full article here!

ARK Architects and Bodegas Cepa 21 recently hosted a unique gathering at Villa White, one of Sotogrande's most exclusive properties designed by the studio. The leaders of both brands, Manuel Ruiz and José Moro, explored the common ground between their fields, emphasising that creating memorable experiences lies at the heart of their work.

For Ruiz, creative director and co-founder of ARK Architects, "every place inherently holds within its memory the seed of a project. That is why I must connect with the site and fully understand the people who will inhabit the home. Only then can I create a project that balances emotion and reason, while always maintaining a humanist approach to architecture."

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NEWS

Manuel Ruiz Moriche: The villas's creator who thrills all of Europe, according to FORBES

Architect Manuel Ruiz Moriche is once again featured in FORBES magazine, where he shares his vision of emotional architecture, sustainability, and design adapted to the environment.



Read full article here!

Manuel Ruiz Moriche, co-founder of ARK Architects, has established his reputation in Europe by creating homes that are not only functional, but deeply emotional. For him, architecture is much more than erecting buildings: it is about designing experiences that enhance people's lives and bring them happiness.

One of the fundamental pillars of Manuel Ruiz's philosophy is the interaction between architecture and its natural surroundings. According to the architect, 'the environment and nature are the starting point for any project'. In this sense, respect for the site, light, and indigenous materials are essential for the design to integrate perfectly with the environment, minimising its invasive impact.

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CURRENT TRENDS

Manuel Ruiz, the Spanish architect chosen to bring light to the new Abu Dhabi

Hudayriyat Island in Abu Dhabi spans over 51 million square metres, offering its residents a refined blend of sports, nature, relaxation, hospitality and pristine beaches.



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Manuel Ruiz Moriche, the acclaimed Spanish architect specialising in lighting and founder of ARK Architects, has been selected to design a “sanctuary of life” in Abu Dhabi, shaping the Type 2 and Type 5 residences on the new artificial island of Hudayriyat. Spanning over 51 million square metres, the island is set to transform the Abu Dhabi skyline.

The exclusive villas designed by ARK Architects are being developed for Modon Properties, a leading real estate company, in the Nawayef area. These residences are masterfully integrated into the hills, which rise up to 55 metres, offering breathtaking views of the Abu Dhabi skyline and the crystal-clear waters of the Persian Gulf.

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NEWS

Manuel Ruiz Moriche Attends Exclusive Minotti Event in Milan

On June 6th, Manuel Ruiz Moriche, co-founder and creative director of ARK Architects, attended an exclusive event organized by Minotti at their headquarters in Meda, Milan.



Read full article here!

During the visit, Manuel had the opportunity to experience the new 2025 Collection—a sophisticated and forward-thinking proposal that includes five seating systems designed by leading creatives such as Marcio Kogan, Nendo, GamFratesi, Hannes Peer, and Giampiero Tagliaferri. The collection was presented inside the newly designed Minotti Pavilion, a space curated to evoke emotion through materiality, proportion, and atmosphere.

The event also featured a selection of artworks from the prestigious Florentine gallery Tornabuoni Arte, bringing an added layer of artistic sensibility to the experience—a perfect match for ARK’s own design philosophy.



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