

SPECIAL MENTION 2. INTERIOR DESIGN

Renovation of a home between party walls, La Tallada d'Empordà

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A home between party walls located in La Tallada, a small town that is typical of the Empordà region. Previous alteration and extension work on the section to be renovated had conferred the construction with a somewhat peculiar appearance, reminiscent of a fortified tower. This project sought to enhance the vertical character of the house, providing an attractive focal point within the overall setting.

This sense of upward movement starts at the entrance, with a series of stairways and staircases leading to the various rooms, right up to the swimming pool, which forms the highest point of the house.

Several of the original openings in the upper section were extended in height and topped by semi-circular arches, in keeping with the traditional architecture of many country homes. The decision was made to repeat this feature in the doors, windows and spaces between the rooms throughout the top floor. It is also mirrored on the main façade, where a large vertical opening reveals the succession of spaces within the home.

Brown ceramic tiles are the unifying element that accompanies the inhabitants of this home at all times. Each living space has been designed as an autonomous element with its own bespoke furniture built on site and is covered with 13 x 13 cm ceramic tiles. The decision to use this piece for all the horizontal planes creates vast iridescent brown expanses that overlap via a series of diagonal visual perspectives. The floors acquire a striking appearance thanks to the use of red square ceramic tiles, where the hand of time will create a sense of contrast with the immaculate gleam of the glossy new ceramic tiles.