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The Diplomatic Establishment

The contemporary Indian living room is an accord between old and new, local and international products, diverse palettes and style influences

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Art deco style raises the flag for iconic Le Corbusier pieces and Indian motifs.

(From extreme left)

'LCI' chair by Le Corbusier, Jeanneret, Perriand for Cassina. Poltrona Frau Group Design Centre. 'Art Deco' cabinet, circa 1940; Phillips Antiques. In the cabinet, 'Francis Sheherazade' vases (small and large); 'Reunion' vases (small and large); both Rosenthal. 'Sunburst' mirror; 'Marigold' mirror; both Viya Home. Antique solid brass coffee table; The House of Mahendra Doshi. On the coffee table: silver fruit



EAST IS EAST

Jaya Ibrahim

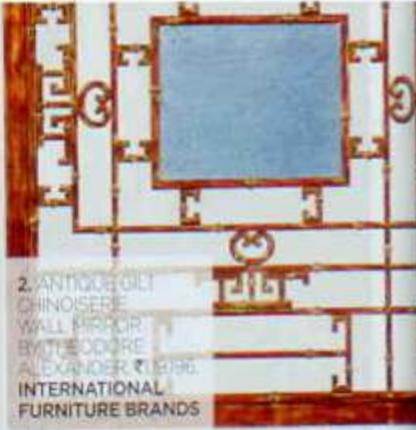
The worlds this interior designer creates are always well-ordered and symmetrical. Ibrahim, who learned his trade with London-based designer Anoushka Hempel, has strong Southeast Asian sensibilities born out of his Indonesian heritage. A master at creating interesting compositions of accessories, the visual impact of Ibrahim's work is like looking at a beautiful mathematical composition. Ibrahim told AD, "My work represents a preference for order, strong shapes and simple lines. Everything has a reason, nothing is arbitrary. I resist anything that is illogical, a colour with no clear purpose, an element that calls for undue attention." Ibrahim's furniture lines, usually hardwood, with a hint of art deco, represent much of that clear purpose. A favoured designer for the hotel chain, Aman Resorts, his latest projects for them are the Amanfayun and Aman at Summer Palace, both in China.



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