



SARAH MARRIOTT of SJS Interior Design was invited to reimagine the kitchen, living and dining spaces of this family residence in the Canberra suburb of Red Hill. With wraparound windows framing leafy gardens, luxurious finishes that are hardwearing and pleasing to the eye, and a pair of island benches primed for entertaining, the kitchen is perfectly in keeping with the artfilled home's elegant and cosmopolitan character. "The original kitchen's materiality felt tired but the layout still worked. The bones of the cabinetry and the stone and stainless working benches were in great condition so we re-purposed whatever we could. The new elements were designed with entertaining in mind. Incorporating the middle shelving around the island created both more storage and a visual screen between the back 'mess' kitchen and the front bar and dining island. The layering of lighter textures of marble, handmade tiles and white offsets against dark bronze, aged brass and timber to create a sophisticated luxury." What luxury items did you choose for this kitchen regardless of budget? "The Calacatta Oro marble island with the router detail to the angle splay leg is pure luxury. This island is not just beautiful. It is extremely functional and has space for seating on both sides. The Articolo light is the 'jewellery' in the room. It sets the tone of the decoration that flows into the dining and family areas." sjsinteriordesign.com.au



