

DESIGN PROJECT BY RAFAEL DE CÁRDENAS
a remarkable project with BOCA DO LOBO's
manueline aesthetic

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Located in the city of Design, London, Rafael De Cárdenas elevated the design to the next level with Glebe Place Residence, by mixing novel styles, gathering together such dissimilar traditional Portuguese pieces and modern design. Still, the distinguished designer guarantees the most harmonious environments with this ambitious project.

The New Yorker Designer recreated several different rooms, each one with its own classic touch. One of the three dining room has a special Portuguese reference completing the whole ambiance with the perfect piece of art, D. Manuel I cabinet from Boca do Lobo's Limited Edition Collection.

The astonishing six-bedroom residence was renovated to evoke timeless luxury, balancing contemporary classics with the home's historic character. A restrained palette of Portland limestone, hardwood, and natural materials is punctuated by vibrant accents of turquoise, fuchsia, brass, and deep purple furnishings from modern European and American designers.

The Dining Room is filled with a gigantic cream marble dining table and large upholstery chairs which gives the possibility to the room, to be more than a dining space. It can perfectly be a place to have an informal meeting with closest professionals or business partners. The blossom rose wallpaper gives life to the walls and color to the room delighted with classic hue and textures like beige, old greys, and dark woods.

Right beside the entrance door, D. Manuel was chosen strategically to expand the space and cut the contemporary design of the rest of the pieces. The cabinet surface has a copper leaf finish, with a sophisticated black lacquer gradient applied on the outside. Its legs are made from solid mahogany and are crafted to a traditional and handmade form, finished in high gloss black lacquer.

Manueline Style is the sumptuous, composite Portuguese style of architectural ornamentation, incorporating maritime elements and representations of the discoveries brought from the voyages of Vasco da Gama and Pedro Álvares Cabral, two of the most renamed discoverers in Portugal history.

Glebe Place Residence it is way more than a platform of design, it has its own personality keeping most of the original details intact.

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D. MANUEL CABINET

King Manuel I of Portugal is best known for his support of Portuguese maritime exploration. During his reign, Dom Manuel saw his fleet discover India, Brasil, and reach distant lands such as Greenland and Newfoundland, and solidified trading routes and agreements between Persia, China, Morocco and Portugal. This noble cabinet draws inspirations from his legacy, the Manueline aesthetic and style, and pays a tribute to Portugal's most influential epochs.

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The Art
of DESIGNING *and* CRAFTING
exclusive pieces



BOCA DO LOBO®
EXCLUSIVE DESIGN

the techniques of BOCA DO LOBO

FILIGREE

When crafting a piece like this, the end result is always different, each piece is unique. It is hand-crafted work, a work of love.

The art of filigree was born during Roman period and it was passed down through the generations of skilled medieval jewelers, often emulating the work of the Byzantine goldsmiths of Constantinople, embellished crosses, reliquaries and the covers of bibles. Later, the filigree became very popular in the French fashion world from the 60's until today. And actually, countries such as India, Italy, and of course, Portugal, have been treasuring it. Deeply embedded in Portugal's history and culture, there are countless brilliant examples of this remarkable technique.

JOINERY

Fine furniture calls for beautiful forms and one-of-kind silhouettes. One of the oldest arts of humankind reborn from the perfect marriage of ancient skills with mechanical methods.

Joinery is one of the most elementary concepts in woodworking that connects different pieces of wood. A basic yet precious foundation that built the pieces' skeleton, therefore we have always put this efficient technique in the spotlight of our designs. Even the look of a joint, how strong it is, how long it will last thru time, and other characteristics are determined by the joining materials and which kind of technique is used in the process. A knowledge that valuable woodworkers have been putting into Boca do Lobo's designs to make sure to enlighten one-of-kind silhouettes.

AZULEJO

The renowned hand painted tiles reflect a Portuguese tradition with hundreds of years. There is no surprise that Boca do Lobo honors this treasurable fine art in the Heritage iconic series.

Portugal, the country of whimsical beaches, Porto wine, seafood, and also azulejos. Even people who aren't familiar with the term, they visually recall the ceramic tiles painted in blue artistic patterns, repeated in many historical buildings or as rich accent elements such as house numbers. Profoundly linked to architectural use, it is usually applied as wall covering decoration, layering large surface areas on both the inside and outside of buildings. And we are proud of them.

METALWORKING

To form, to cut, and to joining processes can be a praiseworthy playground. An artful creative assortment of large-scale structures, assemblies, to the most delicate jewelry.

Nowadays the metalworking can be truly artful to conceive a wide range of large-scale structures, assemblies, to the most delicate jewelry. It requires discipline, vision and strength. Since early, Boca do Lobo has no restraint to use different processes and tools to shape new designs, by giving to our pieces rough yet powerful expression. To form, to cut, and to joining processes have been a praiseworthy playground.

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ABOUT US

BOCA DO LOBO furniture is an exclusive emotional experience, a sense of belonging and a state of mind.

We strive to encourage sensational experiences by creating beautiful pieces which are passionately inspired and handcrafted in Portugal by a staff that loves what they do; experiences which pass on the feeling of exclusivity.

Our designers possess an undeniable talent for composing pieces which stir emotion in their admirers. Our artisan's wisdom, accumulated from years of experience, is instilled with love and dedication in the art that they perform. No detail or element is overlooked as we offer the best at the frontier between design and art. Each piece will bring you on a journey to sources of pleasure you may have forgotten, and take you to places you have never been before; a journey to BOCA DO LOBO world – a world of emotions.

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