

Top interior DESIGN FIRMS OF INDIA: 12 LATEST PROJECTS| Sumesh Menon

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Sumesh Menon's design philosophy is simply to aim for 'wow' and everything else falls into place. When it comes to designing a restaurant, he asserts that it is a constant challenge to balance the practical with the desirable and inevitably design spaces for its intended uses. An excellently designed restaurant is one that enhances the delightful experience of enjoying delectable food by creating a comfortable environment that has style and energy and thus provide the perfect setting for memorable experiences. His repertoire of restaurants includes high- end dining spaces across the country. Sumesh Menon is the designer and founder of Sumesh Menon Associates, an interior design firm, conceived more than a decade ago, specialising in high end and bespoke hospitality interiors. He loves being experimental with innovative design concepts as well as with new age materials which has now practically become his forte.



A Project by Sumesh Menon & team

Vibrancy of Mumbai Reflected THROUGH A STYLISH RESTAURANT

This 5000 square feet restaurant is spatially apportioned into a high energy bar space, a dining space carved out into a cosy corner and a separate pool area and smoking zone. Keeping in mind the design concept of a stylish and playful space, the flooring has been designed in grey terrazzo with a metal inlay designed to resemble a metro rail map. The ceiling is also an interesting play of concrete and vibrant yellow coloured coffers of varying sizes. There is a 60 feet long 3 sided bar that is centered with a range of stylishly quirky seating spaces including high chairs and a high sofa seating around it. The main entrance lobby is designed with colourful pixelated artwork infusing that perfectly lively and young vibe to the space.

There is a lot of emphasis given on sculptural artwork depicting human forms that is evident in the sculptural human-shaped mesh lights above the pool table and the bar as well as the sculptural installation given on columns again depicting an animated human form.

A striking show window is the first thing you see before even entering the restaurant premises. Encased within it is the highlight of the restaurant, that comes alive with 4 colourful kinetic mannequins seated on a tandem cycle and two unicycles and are constantly cycling, adding an unusually artistic and kinetic twist to the design of the space!



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There is a smoking area which is made as a glass house with a combination of grey textured glass, clear glass and checkered texture glass. Keeping the concept of the place in mind, the furniture also depict human face on the table top and chairs in the form of prints on glass and fabric both. Columns are treated with geometric stripes and polka dots. Washrooms have been designed with bold artwork with vibrant pink and blue shades mixed with black and white stripes. The creative design forte of Sumesh Menon Associates is further seen in the lively wall designs across the restaurant. There is an L shaped siporex wall that has been designed in playful geometric patterns in the shades of yellows, dark blue and turquoise which define the colour palette of the entire space. Another wall displays terracotta coloured wall with a stunning human figure abstract artwork with lights.

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Name: 145 Andheri, Mumbai

Area: 5000 sq ft

Architect: Sumessh Menon Associates