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Seeing the Bigger Picture

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The team at FORMstudio were tasked with dramatically reconfiguring this 240 sq m penthouse in South London, converting the space from a dark, labyrinthine collection of rooms to a luxury modern open space, maximising the special potential, distinctive wing roof and views of London and the Thames. Views across the city were spectacular so the decision was taken to house the bedrooms on the first floor, and a large open plan living space on the upper floor. While each floor enjoys incredible views, the open plan layout of the upper floor allows for uninterrupted 360° views across the river and city.





The results are striking. The open plan upper floor consists of a large living area with a huge underlit bespoke sofa, spaces to work, a luxurious kitchen, and a beautiful outside area taking full advantage of the river view. With the clearly defined zones, FORMstudio have taken away the need for dividing walls and created a space that offers huge flexibility for everyday life.

In the kitchen area, a 5m island was specified in pure white to take advantage of the masses of open plan space created. Mirroring the length of the island is the dramatic bespoke Westin island hood in stainless steel, suspended from the ceiling with matching suspension rods. The chimney section is perfectly angled to the pitch of the distinctive wing roof.

The result is an incredible contemporary luxury space that has been completely transformed from its previous life, and can now take full advantage of its eye-catching location.



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Above left: InSinkErator hosted its brand ambassador – interior designer Kelly Hoppen – at kbb Birmingham. Hoppen spoke to crowds at the company's stand during an interview with UK MD Ashley Munden. The brand also presented a wide range of its product offering, including food waste disposers and kitchen taps. [InSinkErator / insinkerator.co.uk](http://InSinkErator/insinkerator.co.uk)

Above right: Showerwall showed off some of the latest additions to its range of wall panelling which now brings its offering to over 100 different designs. [Showerwall / showerwall.co.uk](http://Showerwall/showerwall.co.uk)

Right: British cooker hood manufacturer Westin presented new launches, including two new 'universal' range products available in any colour match. The company also revealed its new branding which will now feature on all products and material. [Westin / westin.co.uk](http://Westin/westin.co.uk)

