

DE GIRARD LOFTS IN ŻYRARDÓW / SECRET LOFT LIFE

Zyrardow, Poland

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Buildings of flax spinning mill in Żyrardów were built in 1913. It was one of state-of-the-art factory complex in Europe at this time. In 1900 at the World Fair, Żyrardów was presented as the master example of the city which urban design planned in detail created some kind of very unique 'city organism'.

Today factory halls are a great example of industrial style. They are step by step carefully adapted for residential use. In renovated lofts are spaces prepared for private apartments as well as for boutique hotels and commercial use. Close to Warsaw, connected with a capital of Poland Żyrardów became very attractive location and is gaining a new life.

Ola and Michał travel a lot. Two years ago they got an idea of having their own boutique hotel apartment. Their vision was very clear - create an intimate, secluded space to spend a romantic weekend for two. They were looking for a location in Warsaw or close to the city. De Girard lofts magnetized them by a unusual mood, genuineness of industrial environment and of course high ceilings.

The owners entrusted the interior design to Anna Olga Chmielewska from JAM KOLEKTYW. Olga and Michał gave few very precise informations about the space they dream about: big, cosy bed, bathtub in bedroom, comfortable bathroom and small kitchenette.

Interior design started with color and fabrics palette. Anna chose different shades of green and grays from dark to charcoal, two metal colors - steel and copper, which beautifully harmonize with old bricks color. Very important were also a structures of walls and flooring. For the floor interior designed chose oak, oiled boards in a color made especially for this apartment. Flooring and walls around the bathtub are covered by a special moisture-resistant cement paste. Green structural plaster was recreated from samples prepared by Anna Olga Chmielewska. Wall was four-handed painted by Anna and the main contractor.

Open space

Custom made bed designed by Anna Olga Chmielewska and made by carpenter

Linen plaids and velvet pillows

Old, woolen rugs

'Eared' armchair

Copper bathtub from Indonesia

Coffee table, chairs, wardrobe and commode found on internet auctions are a Polish furnitures from '60

On the wardrobe near bed glass lamp AVOCADO designed by Tomek Rudkiewicz for TAR

Behind the velvet heavy curtain there is a small room with tv and vintage armchairs

Lamp GRASHOPPER by Gubi

Bathroom

Frame of shower cubicle, washbasin console and mirror designed by JAM KOLEKTYW

Mirror in a different sizes and in silver, copper or black finish is available to order by JAM KOLEKTYW