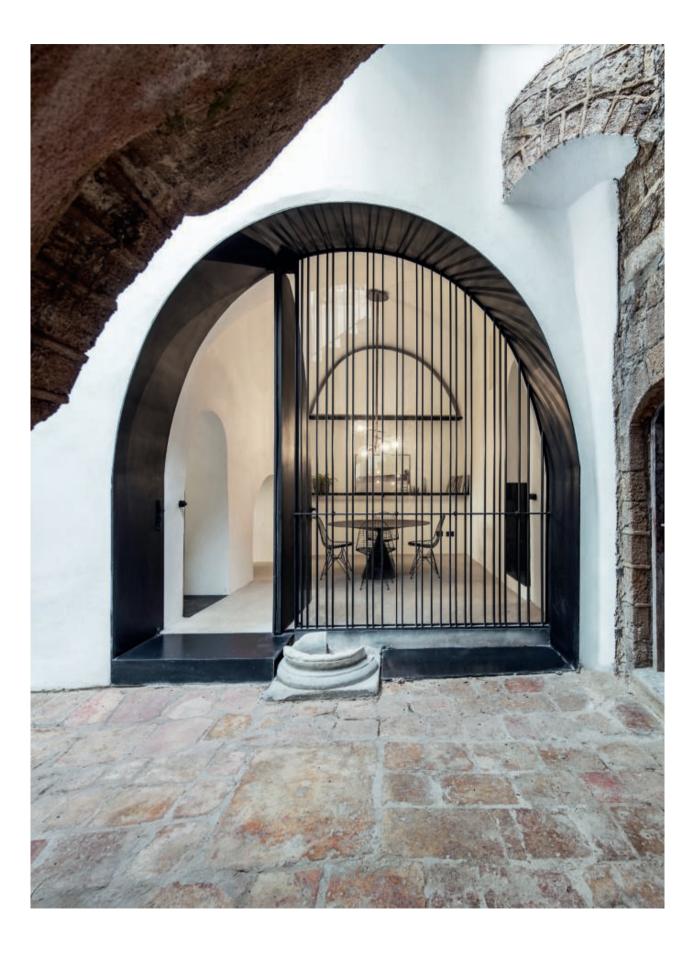
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This extraordinary cavelike apartment is in the ancient with white stucco, but removed the plaster covering the port city of Jaffa (also known as Yafo), less than 2 miles inside of the impressive domed roof above the kitchen in (3.2 kilometers) south of Tel Aviv. Part of a network of layers to expose the beautiful stone underneath. Elsewhere, centuries-old stone dwellings clinging to a hill, the sea- arched walls and ceilings were painted white to illumifacing residence had grown organically over the years. nate the space as much as possible. Contrasting black tin It was originally made up of a series of individual rooms, detailing emphasizes doorways, window frames, furniture, each on its own floor, which were connected by steps and and shelving. Now surprisingly open and spacious, the closed off by doors, resulting in a dark, labyrinthine space. home includes a main bedroom, kitchen, dining room, Local practice Pitsou Kedem Architects transformed the living room, and outdoor terrace. It feels sleek, minimalapartment, bringing all the rooms onto the same level to ist, and almost Art Deco in its aesthetic. Pops of bright create a sense of flow between them, and removing most color enliven the monochrome palette, and the eye is con-

Balancing an aesthetic that is at once modern and tra- apartment's curving lines. ditional, the firm covered the original ceiling decoration

internal doors, increasing light and opening up sea views. tinuously drawn to the sea, its blues always framed by the





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