



night fever⁶

hospitality design

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pullman berlin schweizerhof

berlin's city zoo inspires **sundukovy sisters**
to bring the outside in



above A giant Bauhaus-inspired zebra, clearly visible from the entrance lobby, brings an element of the local zoo into the hotel to attract a wider audience into the restaurant.

next spread Set in the centre of the room, the restaurant and bar — complemented by 'stalactite' LED lighting — is distinctive and enticing. The new layout has significantly increased F&B profits as well as improving the guest experience.

berlin — Pullman Berlin Schweizerhof, built in 1998, sits in a business district that is increasingly more appealing to young people due to its surrounding parks, shops and design hotels, as well as its close proximity to the Berlin zoo. Sundukovy Sisters has redesigned the hotel's public areas, including the lobby, bar and restaurant, to attract visitors and local residents of all ages.

The new interiors have been modernized to form part of the cityscape by incorporating aspects of the zoo subtly reimagined in the style of the Bauhaus as a testament to the architectural history of the city. The design

studio has reactivated the lobby space with geometric shapes and materials such as leather, copper, marble and onyx to add a layer of sophisticated grandeur. In doing so, the team has made the hotel's hospitality zones into a destination that not only attracts staying guests but passers-by and design-savvy tourists.

Altering the internal layout has brought the reception desk closer to the entrance and resurrected the commercial viability of the restaurant and bar by increasing footfall and erasing the barriers between the interior and exterior.



community

sundukovy sisters creates a fluid multi-functional space around a library



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moscow – A variety of functions come together in Community – a creative hub centred around a grand library, which will function as a restaurant and a lecture hall during daytime and as a theatre and lounge in the evenings. The scheme, by local studio Sundukovy Sisters, is organized as a collection of functions – a theatre, restaurant, tea room, bar and a workshop – delicately combined into one venue through the recurring motif of books and the use of unique *objets d'art* which contribute to the 'eclectic, boutique-style material palette'.

The bar borrows from the aesthetic of the fluid library space, with book graphics and benches reminiscent of tiered lecture hall seating. The tea room, adorned with soft lighting and large, comfortable seating, is connected

to the rest of the scheme both visually, via panoramic windows, and thematically, through the use of soft library-style lighting. 'The different zones are connected by implementing elements of decoration that are different in functionality and colour yet consistent with the spirit of community,' says Sundukovy Sisters.

above As the crux of the design, the library incorporates classic materiality with a modern repertoire as it converts into a theatre space at will.

