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GLOBAL VISION, LOCAL HEART: A DESIGNER'S STORY

Nini Andrade Silva reflects upon her influences, inspiration and ambitions, when creating beautiful and bespoke interiors



Where did you grow up and what sparked your interest in design?

I was born and raised in Funchal, Madeira, an island of immense natural beauty and deep cultural roots. Growing up surrounded by the ocean and mountains instilled in me a profound appreciation for the art and craft of storytelling through design. From an early age, I knew I wanted to create. It was during a trip to the U.S. at the age of 14 that I realised my creativity could transcend borders and bring my Madeiran identity to the world.

Where did you study?

I began my studies at the Instituto Superior de Artes Visuais, Design e Marketing (IADE) in Lisbon, where I developed my foundation in design. Furthering my education, I pursued

professional experiences in global design hubs such as New York, London, and Paris. These diverse environments enriched my understanding of design as both a global and deeply personal practice.

What fuels your creative inspiration?

Everything inspires me—life itself is my greatest muse. From the serenity of nature to the smallest, unexpected details in daily life, inspiration can come from a casual conversation, a beautifully written book, or even a fleeting moment of observation. I seek references in everything around me because I live and breathe design. This openness to the world allows me to continuously evolve and bring unique perspectives to every project.





What was the original ambition behind your atelier?

I founded my atelier in 1998 with the mission of elevating Portuguese design on the global stage. What began as a dream rooted in Madeira has evolved into a multidisciplinary studio delivering award-winning hospitality projects worldwide. Each design reflects a balance between cultural heritage and innovative thinking.

How do you approach a new project and is there one you are particularly proud of?

Each project reflects a unique story, crafted with unwavering dedication and supported by the full involvement of my team. Every detail is designed with care, and the result is always a singular creation that leaves a lasting impression. While I find it difficult to highlight one over another, I take immense pride in knowing that these

designs have become references in the hospitality industry.

Could you share some of the projects you are currently working on?

We have recently inaugurated the W São Paulo Hotel & Residences, a project that beautifully merges cutting-edge design with the vibrant culture of Brazil. Our current portfolio includes the Golden Gate by Autograph Collection from Marriott, the Kimpton Atlântico, and the Hilton Vilamoura. Additionally, we are working on exciting hospitality ventures in Spain, Green Cape, South Africa, Japan and Brazil, alongside private residences and commercial projects such as airports and malls. These endeavours showcase our studio's ability to balance creativity, functionality, and cultural significance.

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Atelier Nini Andrade Silva is a globally renowned design studio, known for blending cultural heritage with a pioneering approach to interior design. Led by the acclaimed Nini Andrade Silva, the Atelier has earned international accolades for its innovative vision and meticulous execution, which bring authenticity and a unique identity to each project. With over 30 years of experience, the studio's multicultural team of expert architects and designers create spaces that not only meet aesthetic and functional standards but elevate them to artful expressions of place and purpose. Atelier Nini Andrade Silva has been celebrated for redefining luxury hospitality and creating enduring experiences that resonate on a global stage.

Selection of Current Projects

Hilton Vilamoura As Cascatas Golf Resort & Spa, Portugal
Barceló Quinta Funchal Palace Garden, Madeira
Golden Gate by Autograph Collection, Madeira
Kimpton Atlântico, Portugal
Meliã Lusofonia, Green Cape
Meliã Ria, Portugal
Madeira Golden Residence, Madeira
Bessa Villarroel, Spain
Meliã Castelo Branco, Portugal

Selection of Completed Projects

W São Paulo, Brazil
The Lodge, Portugal
Quinta de Lemos, Portugal
Savoy Palace, Madeira
Vila Foz Hotel & Spa, Portugal
Hilton Porto Gaia, Portugal
Savoy Sacharum Hotel & Resort, Madeira
The Views Baia, Madeira
Movich Hotels & Resorts, Colombia
Palácio do Governador, Portugal
The Vine Hotel, Portugal
Bessa Baixa Hotel, Portugal
Octant Ponta Delgada, Azores
B.O.G. Hotel, Colombia
Octant Furnas, Azores
Fontana Park Hotel, Portugal
Acquapura Douro Valley, Portugal
Teatro Hotel, Portugal

Atelier Nini Andrade Silva's dedication to timeless design and its commitment to cultural storytelling make it a trusted partner for luxury hotel brands and iconic properties around the world.



Legends: Above: Savoy Palace Hotel. Below: The Lodge Hotel



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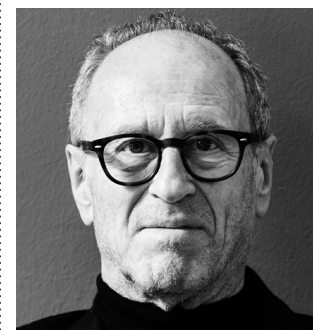
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