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GRAMERCY PARK APARTMENT

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▲ The area where the apartment's bedroom used to be is now a dining room that joins the living room.

White walls and light colors like the beige rug, which contrast with the wenge wood and dark brown, create an elegant and welcoming space.



Sometimes, a small space will require big ideas in order to take full advantage of all its possibilities. The remodeling of this loft, originally devoid of actual rooms, resulted in a great redistribution effort. Aside from designing a bedroom, solutions were sought for maximizing the use of natural light in the main rooms and achieving an agreeable *pied-à-terre*. The first step was to change the location of the kitchen, which had windows that faced the exterior. By rotating it ninety degrees, the kitchen was placed next to the bathroom and became open to the rest of the apartment while remaining sheltered in one of the nooks and crannies found on the premises. Now, the space previously occupied by the kitchen is reserved for the bedroom, making use of natural light thanks to the old kitchen

window. It was also decided that the bedroom be surrounded by opaque paneling on the side that connects with the living room, while the side that connects with the kitchen has been surrounded by translucent panels. This allows for the unification of private areas with communal ones or, when desired, for their separation.

Every space has been used to full advantage in this project's design and all materials used were carefully chosen to endow the space with maximum flexibility. The use of lighter tones lends the apartment a greater sense of spaciousness. The furniture inside adheres to a minimalist approach predominated by white and beige, as well as being combined with brown-colored pieces that complement the decoration and achieve a chromatic counterpoint.