

La Grande Sieste

The project involved the transformation of a winery, a renovation of an old cellar into an indoor pool, the renovation of a residential house and demolition of a building in ruins. The goal was to create a space that evokes a unique atmosphere through its architectural design, rather than its decor. We aimed to make the room feel as if it were part of the garden.

A new building was constructed on the site of the demolished structure, featuring a kitchen, a reception room, and eight bedrooms on the upper floor. Originally intended to be built with Vers stone, we decided to reuse the stone from the demolition after estimating the value of the available materials. The new building, 47 meters long, is supported by just three posts and a stairwell, seamlessly integrating with the garden and becoming little more than a roof over our heads. During summer events such as receptions, weddings, and seminars, all the bay windows can be opened to enhance the indoor-outdoor connection.

From the avenue of olive trees leading to the entrance, the project appears homogeneous. However, as you approach, subtle details reveal its contemporary nature: the size of the upper-floor openings and the illusion that the first floor is suspended, created by the extensive ground-floor openings.

LOCATION Aniane, 34150 [Hérault]

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SURFACE 1 250 m², including 800 m² of new construction, 210 m² in renovation for the home and 240 m² in renovation and transformation for the indoor pool

PROGRAM Single-family house, offices and cellar

COST 1 250 000 € excl. taxes

PHASE Delivered in 2017

MISSION Stages 0 to 6, from strategic definition to handover and close out

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