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THE GORGEOUS, GLAMOROUS DESIGNER ON MARCHESA'S EXCITING FUTURE, HILLARY, AND MORE!



ACHILLE SALVAGNI



FROM ROME, WITH STYLE

Above: Designer Achille Salvagni works between the Eternal City and New York. Above, right: Salvagni's design for a Fifth Avenue apartment. HE ROME BASED-ARCHITECT IS PERHAPS best known for his award-winning superyacht design, but his high-end residential work, defined by the use of ultra-luxe materials, has earned him a glittery client base reaching from Italy to New York and Palm Beach.

What's trending now? The request for elegant, beautiful and most of all exclusive items is really the "new" standard.

How do client needs differ in New York and Rome? I would not connect high-end taste with any one location. For very affluent clients the taste level today is quite international. Geography no longer significantly impacts or limits what they want to achieve.

Favorite color palettes: I'm particularly drawn to light tones. I feel the softness of lighter shades is more elegant. I try to avoid being too monochromatic and like to include an accent color to offset beige and gray.

Design rules you like to break: Although I appreciate propor-

tions and overall harmony, I enjoy going beyond boundaries to achieve something extraordinary. For instance, a historic home need not be filled with antiques or period art. Instead, homes should be designed as a client's personal paradise. Life is too short for everything to be ordinary!

Favorite room to design: I don't have a favorite room. What I do love is art, and whenever an interior needs to be related to a piece of art, I find it extremely challenging and intriguing to create the right mood or inspiration to complete the room that will house the work.

What distinguishes your design: The real distinction is that I design everything; from the architectural components of a space, all the way through to the cast-door hinges or handles, and the custom furniture and accessories.

News for 2016: A complete renovation and interior design of a magnificent landmarked townhouse on the Upper East Side; the design and interiors for a large villa in Oyster Bay, New York; a villa in Miami Beach; as well as (the design for)two very luxurious superyachts.