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# Castle Beach

This 12,500sqft five-bedroom residence in Florida designed by Lori Morris for a grand dame exhibits sea, sky and sand-inspired luxury elements

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(LEFT) The front facade impresses with massive planters and urns set against a carved entry arch of limestone. (THIS PAGE) A perfect setting for inspiring conversations, the whiskey lounge is evocative of sapphire opulence with blue velvet making an apt pairing alongside whiskey neat, a chair and a customised sofa by Lori Morris.



Redefined in unexpected colours, distinctive fabrics and a rich showcase of modern art, a traditional aesthetic is skillfully adopted in numerous spaces of this glamorously designed residence.



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I am an artist with a simple philosophy of ‘no rules’. We create bespoke designs by marrying colours and textures with unconventional twists on traditional and modern architecture. Our work is sophisticated and super glamorous with an edgy, rock-star beat.

— Lori Morris, Interior Designer, Lori Morris Design

A fully equipped coffee bar with tulle and pink suede bar stools adorns the second-floor hallway, allowing easy access to it from the bedrooms in the morning.





Clean unobstructed sightlines visually unify several rooms of the mansion together, each room honoring unique interiors and yet, blending with the rest of the residence as one entity.



Full-height arched fenestrations shine abundant natural light into this room that is reigning in pink. With utmost attention to detail with each feature, right from the exotic artwork, and showpieces, to the patterned hooded chair, the space radiates.



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## LORI MORRIS

Interior Designer,  
Lori Morris Design (LMD)

Reinventing the standard of design for thirty-six years, Lori Morris is a creative tour-de-force that encourages and embraces a philosophy of forward-thinking. Her original designs and unparalleled experience in luxury interiors for her clients sets her apart. The award-winning designer challenges the boundaries of traditional firms, transforming dreams into reality with her unique design sensibilities. Based in Toronto, her practice implements Avant-garde and sophisticated designs, with her projects gaining global recognition with each passing day.



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orrowing from natural elements, this sea, sand and sky-inspired destination dubbed 'Castle Beach' is a private retreat expanded over 12,500 sqft and configured into five bedrooms, designed by Lori Morris, founder, Lori Morris Designs. Customised to the tee, the façade has an elegant French style. A bejewelled mosaic tile pool floor is also designed with the most unique aesthetic, exclusive to the space.

Comfortable, functional and plush with a bevy of amenities, the residence comprises a diverse range of spectacular spaces, artworks, furniture and furnishing elements. Catering to clients with discerning tastes, the designer has taken advantage of the enveloping sea and designed some stellar spots for people to unwind in, such as the backyard, an outdoor custom bar, lounge areas by the poolside for entertaining and more.

The designer along with her team curated and created the furniture, millwork, mouldings on the ceiling reefs, cabinetry, furnishings and many other features. The bevy of materials such as patterned mosaics, antique mirrors, glass, limestone and marble is reminiscent of old-world extravagance with a modern-day charm.

Vaulted ceilings and intricate mouldings above the hallway impress with sumptuous velvets, metals, glass and mirrors. Sleek vintage deco cabinetry sets the tone of elegance inside. The kitchen is designed to encourage the clients' culinary entertainment requirements, plush with carved tracery and overhead curves and swirls. ☑

“My design for this mansion has a multitude of beautiful vistas filled with light and colour, leading to each destination with a purpose, be it meal preparation, dining, lounging, swimming, sleeping or playing.”

— Lori Morris, Interior Designer, Lori Morris Design

