Sagharchi Architecture+Urban Design Practice Profile

The practice specialises in Masterplanning, Private Residential ,Hotel and Resort developments. The working philosophy of the practice revolves around the guiding principles and innate wisdom of Classical and Vernacular architecture and traditional urbanism in providing the right context .

It is our firm belief that architecture and building in the contemporary condition is inseparable from the fabric of tradition. At the same time our view is that within the classical and vernacular sensibility ,tradition is thoroughly alive and extremely changeable

The practice was set up in 2002 and is currently involved in a number of commissions in the UK and abroad, ranging in value between £1 million and £5 million. In London, these include residences in Hampstead; the restoration and refurbishment of a Grade I listed embassy in Belgravia; major residences in Knightsbridge and Belgravia; an office refurbishment in Mayfair. Further afield, current projects include a private estate near Cordoba, Spain, a resort on the Danube delta and residential developments in Romania and a villa in the Gulf.

The creation of a sense of place and imbuing the built form with human scale, the quality of the architecture and detail as well as the relationship between the craft of building and art of architecture remains the focus of every one of our projects.



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