This apartment is on a high floor of what is considered the tallest residential tower in the western hemisphere and has some of the most amazing views of Manhattan. Designed by John Beckmann and his design firm Axis Mundi, the apartment celebrates city living and sophistication while articulating an energetic sense of place. Known for their glamorous low-slung aesthetic, Axis Mundi took the challenge to design the residence for an American client living in China with a family of four, and an important art collection including works of Cy Twombly, Gerhard Richter, Susan Frecon, Vik Muniz, and Lisette Schumacher, among others.
The skin of the building, designed by architect Rafael Viñoly, is treated with an LED lighting system that changes colors. The system can be controlled by the client with their iPhone from the street.
Bright and airy, the dining room features a Bocci “28 Chandelier” above an intricate marble and brass table by Henge. In the main living room, a sectional from Poltrona Frau and armchairs in saddle leather by Antonio Citterio for B&B Italia around a coffee table designed by Vincent Van Duysen, create a perfect space for entertaining. In contrast with the airy feel of the living and dining areas, the library exudes a sensuous atmosphere, featuring custom-designed bookshelves in burnished brass and walnut.
The studio explores the rich vocabulary of the design and material world, incorporating concepts and technologies that transform this vocabulary into always surprising and stimulating forms of expression that filled spaces with character.

Axis Mundi made the gallery dark by finishing the walls in a smoked lacquered plaster with hints of mica, which add sparkle and glitter.
The kitchen accentuates the grey marble flooring and all-white color palette, except for some light wood and marble details. A dramatic pendant in hand-burnished brass, designed by Henge, hovers above the kitchen island, while a floating marble counter spans the window opening.

Views are an integral part of an architecture and interior design project. They can guide the design of rooms for the enjoyment of the ever-changing urban skyline.
The master bedroom features a wall-length headboard system in leather and velvet panels from Poliform. Dupre Lafon lounge chairs in a buttery leather on a custom golden silk carpet by Joseph Carini and a pair of parchment bedside lamps by Jean Michel Frank complete the design.
Clean architectural details paired with bold statement furnishings and materials provide any room with character, reflecting the tastes and personality of the owners.

Picture windows are the perfect frame for extraordinary views, bringing in the outdoors to the home as living artwork.