

THE ULTIMATE IN INTERIORS

As Brightwell Interiors celebrates its first year in business, **Places&Faces®** speaks to interior designers Julie & Holly Nicholls

Nestled in a delightful valley amongst rolling Suffolk farmland, Brightwell Interiors' showroom not only offers privacy and parking, but inspiration from its stunning room scenes and courtyard. The showrooms are situated in a beautiful renovated barn which is set out like a home, with living and dining spaces, stunning bedroom- as well as a bespoke kitchen, luxurious bathrooms, outdoor living area and courtyard. With over 2000 square metres of displays those who take a trip to this spacious and inspiring showcase from the design talents of mother and daughter team Julie & Holly Nicholls will leave brimming full of ideas that they can incorporate into their own homes.

Holly and Julie believe their business was born from necessity. Julie explained "When designing our own homes, we found it impossible to source interiors locally. We feel if you're spending a lot of money on something, you want to see it for yourself, not from a book! Everything on show here is for sale so you don't always have the long lead times.

Each season we hand pick an exquisite collection of sought after designer pieces from across the world. We are the exclusive UK supplier of many brands we stock so you are guaranteed to see something unique. As an example we are the exclusive stockist for East Anglia of Kingcome Sofas which is such an honour."

"Our style is classic but with a mix of eclectic and contemporary elements. We source fabrics from Chelsea Harbour Design Centre, and each year we go to Paris for the "Maison and Objet" show, along with many



other European fairs to be at the cutting edge of design"

Holly added "Visiting an interior designer can be daunting but we want to make it a pleasant experience. You can visit us for a coffee and browse the showroom at your leisure; we will listen to your requirements and discuss ideas and trends that are available within your budget. Once we have enough information together, we will produce a presentation for you. We can provide a bespoke design service from start to finish on your project, or we can simply help with those all-important finishing touches."

In addition to ensuring that they offer the best possible service the pair have worked hard to create a community by hosting a number of events including cookery demonstrations, a charity fashion show and

an exclusive talk at their showroom with renowned designer William Yeoward.

So with the first year of the business beautifully designed and delivered what will year two hold? Holly told us, "We are very pleased with how our first year has gone, if we could continue meeting new and old customers we will be very happy indeed. Our aim is to carry on creating more and more beautiful homes. ■

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Brightwell Interiors are exhibiting at this year's Suffolk Show; in the Luxury Lifestyle Pavilion