

# Smolenka Oak Tube

{ Design Peter Kostelov Location Moscow,  
Russia Total area 110m<sup>2</sup> Completion  
2012 Photographer Zinon Razutdinov }

## Apartment

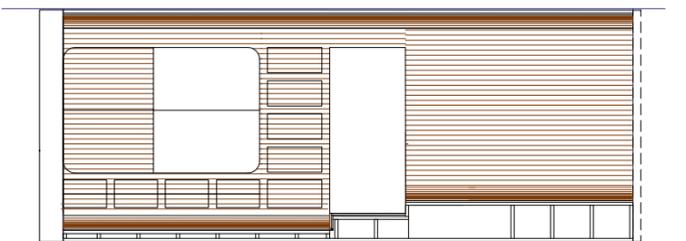
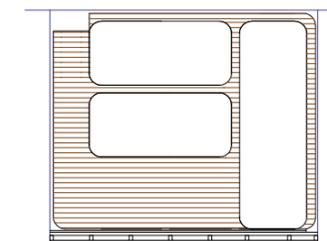
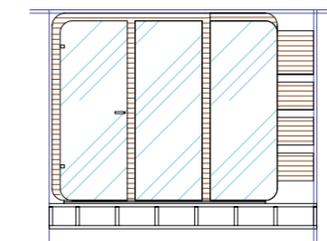


{ The apartment is on the 5th floor of a tall multistory building with inner yard. The greater part of apartment is vividly oblong proportions. The width between structural solid-cast walls was only 3.3m while the places, where ventilating shafts were embedded, made it even less just 2.8m. Having these proportions and spaces it came out that the middle of the apartment practically was not lightened. The solution came like this: there shouldn't be dead walls in this part, instead, they are to replace with glass wall which if necessary can be blinded with curtains. In the end, the part of the apartment with dining room, guest space, living space and working place got enlightened from both sides. Smooth and rounded passages between walls, ceiling and floor visually joined and expanded the small spacing between the walls in the living room. This part of the living room is finished with light oak tree, which gradually goes from ceiling to floor. In fact styling design concept was determined by so called 'oak tube' which runs just in the middle of the apartment with its working and leisure place to which the dining room adjoins it from one side and the guest room from another. External parts of 'the tube' are fined with composite stone. The butts of the 'tube' imitate the cuts of its form, while loose airy joining to the walls underlines its ease, giving the illusion of something brought from outside. Similar idea was implemented for the bedroom too. The room is divided into sections which also have smooth, closed passages between ceiling, floor and walls making up shelves closets and a bed. }

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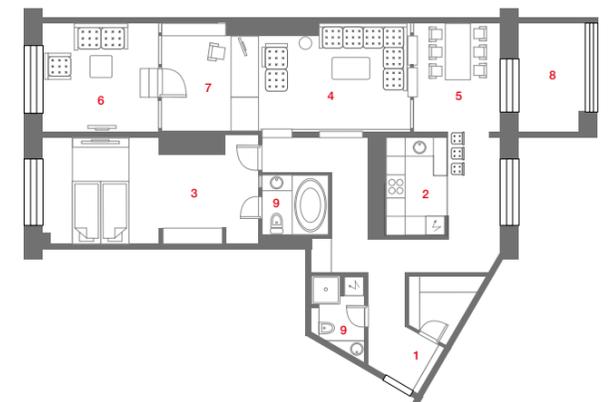




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