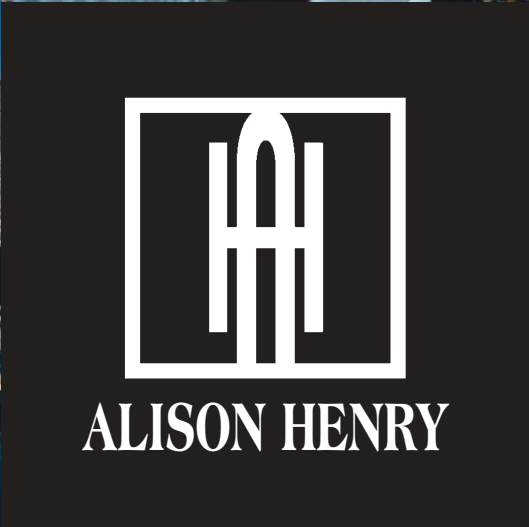




Cotswolds Farmhouse
England



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The Old Farm, Cotswolds

- unlisted farm house with out buildings, the core of which dates from 1500
- a complete restructuring of the building created a family home within a rambling series of twentieth century extensions by stripping back to as much of the original structure as possible
- the addition of two staircases and mezzanine levels connected the various parts of the house and also set up easy traffic flow
- designed and bespoke built all the Arts and Crafts style windows and doors
- lime and powdered stone mortar was used for building new walls, to meet with the client's brief that the internal surfaces should age well and therefore look better, not worse with time, wear and tear
- English oak has been used throughout the house to keep the interiors handsome and simple
- All furniture was custom designed and built and antiques were sourced locally
- exposing of architectural features, such as the fireplaces, old stonework and beams
- outbuildings such as the stable block and cattle barn were converted into a spa and medieval style banqueting hall-shooting lodge respectively
- the surrounding landscaping includes a Chinese garden, rose garden, extensive country lawns and borders, tennis courts and a swimming pool