



Elie Tahari Boutique at Saks Fifth Avenue, Beverly Hills, CA

Architectural & Design Firm: Lissoni Associati, Milan, Italy

Fabricator: Evans & Paul Unlimited Corp., College Point, NY (718) 661-1585

ISSUES

- ◆ Designing an upscale, self-contained, Saks Fifth Avenue in-store boutique that complements the luxury department store's sleek look; yet provides customers with a differentiating brand experience for Elie Tahari
- ◆ Transforming a low-ceiling space into a bright, dynamic design focal point for the store
- ◆ Creating an inviting, dramatic environment which enhances the elegant style of the clothes

CHALLENGES

- ◆ Finding a seamless surfacing material that would enable installation with exceptional fit and finish
- ◆ Identifying a translucent wall cladding material that may be backlit and milled at different depths to achieve multiple layers of transparency and texture
- ◆ Working with a fabricator who could translate the architect's design drawings into a precise, balanced, non-repeating three-dimensional pattern

SOLUTIONS

- ◆ By combining state-of-the-art CAD software with an extra large CNC router, the fabricator was able to produce easy-to-install, perfectly matched 60" wide DuPont™ Corian® panels with no visible seams or mounting hardware
- ◆ Using translucent Corian® allowed for a series of larger-than-life floral vines to illuminate the 74' long wall, opening-up the low-ceiling space
- ◆ Machining two layers of patterns at different gradients in the Corian® helped to create a distinctive wall design that evokes a sense of movement

BENEFITS

- ◆ Corian® surfaces can be carved, backlit and thermoformed into virtually any design—offering unmatched design flexibility
- ◆ The Corian® Illumination Series allows three times as much light to pass through than other Corian® colors, and provides endless design possibilities and illumination effects
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PROJECT COLOR



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