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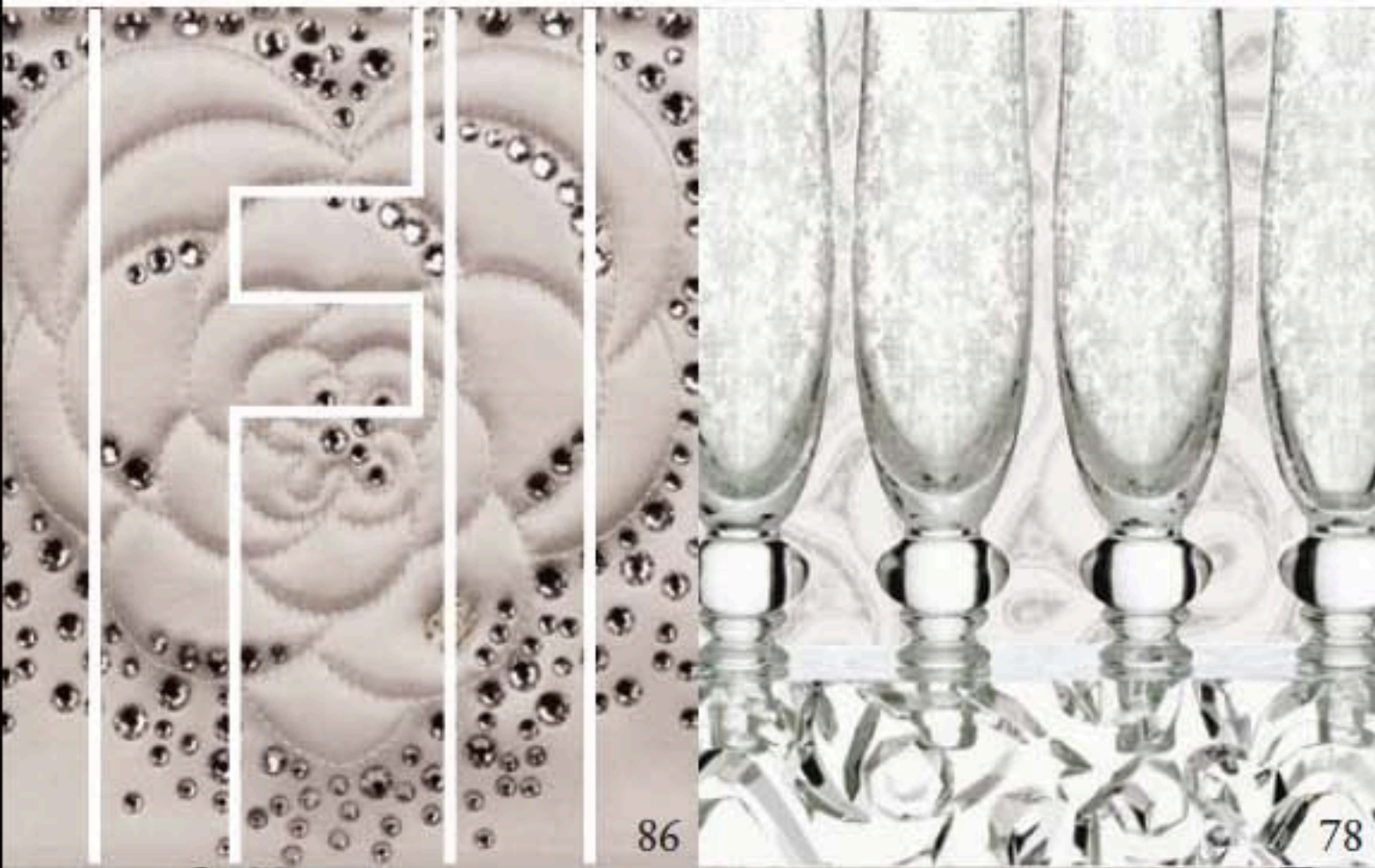
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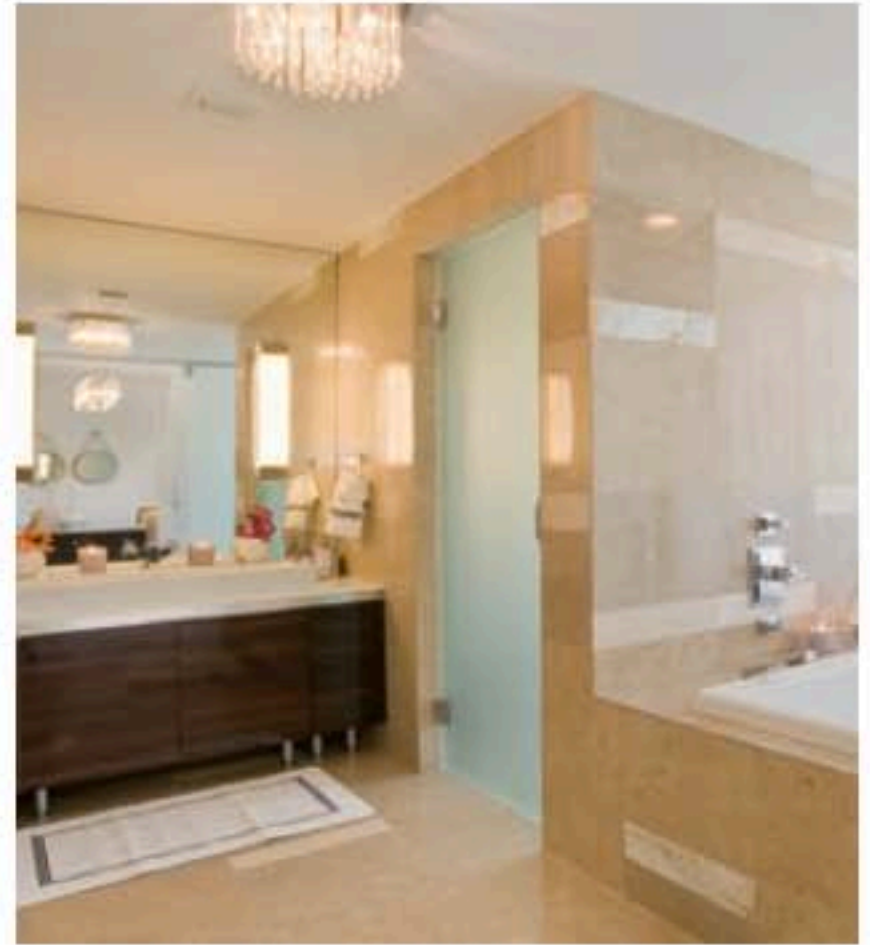
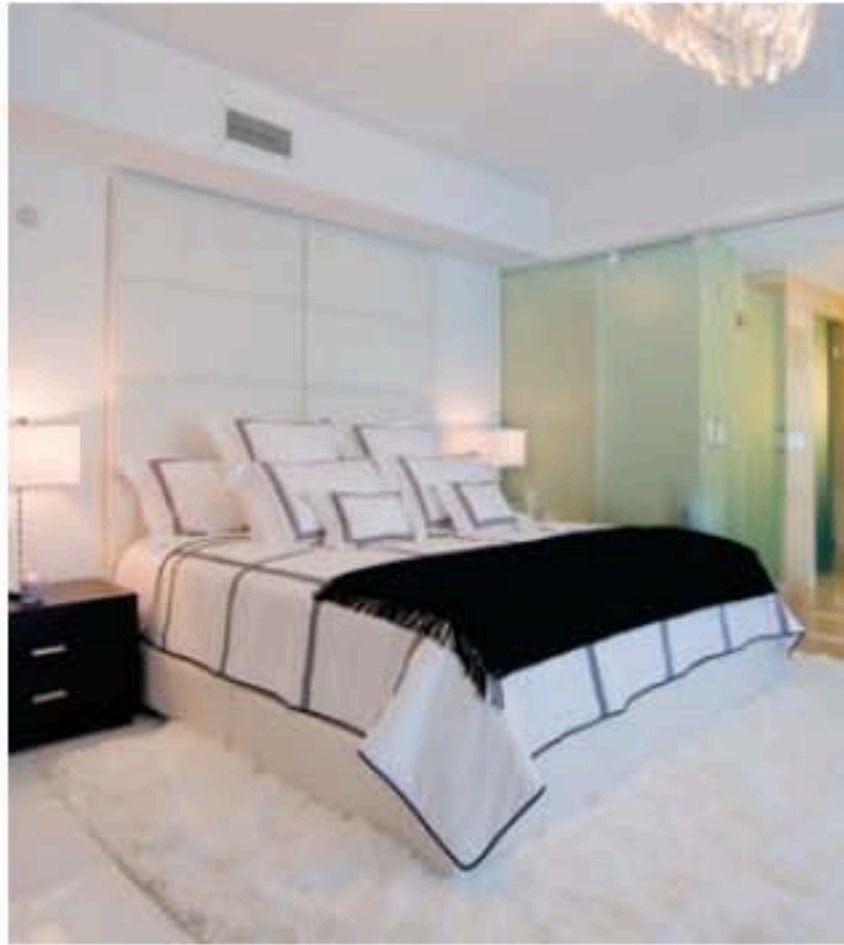
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Near right: The master suite's bed has a 92-inch leather headboard. Chandelier by Chrystalrama. Far right: Sand-colored marble applications in the bath. Below: Mirrors in the foyer elongate the space. The silver leaf console was constructed with petrified wood from Chiang Mai, Thailand.



FINDING CLARITY

A pristine sanctuary above the sea is at one with white

**DESIGN BY MONICA SULESKI PHOTOGRAPHY BY JOEY OCEAN
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There are times when an all-white palette is a copout, a way to play it safe. There are other times when it's just right. Designer Monica Suleski, owner of the Eclectic Elements furniture showroom in Miami, certainly understands the difference. Her New York client wanted a Miami Beach sanctuary, and a sanctuary is what he got — 3,000 square feet of Zen modernity to be exact.

"The residence was designed using the principles of feng shui, emphasizing harmony, neatness, freshness, and balance into color, light, water and music," says Suleski. "The all-white backdrop, which maximizes space and fluidity, was a natural choice." Not to mention the perfect

milieu for the modern furniture selections and appointments, layered in different tones of ebony for warmth with silver accents for richness, and, as Suleski puts it, "Miami bling."

The clean lines and pristine walls portend a spatial clarity that's ubiquitous throughout. Mirrors visually expand the space even further and reflect movement from inside and out. Textures, in the form of cowhide area rugs, Italian silk upholstery and fur throws here and there, infuse warmth (something every New Yorker wants this time of year).

"The idea was to create the ultimate, positive energy environment," adds Suleski. *Namaste* indeed. □

Below: Designer Monica Suleski. Below left: The profusion of white in the living room provides the perfect backdrop for modern furniture articulations, all from Eclectic Elements, Miami. The sofa is upholstered with Italian silk. The chairs are constructed of chrome and leather.

