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grandchildren come for holidays, the total is 18 with just immediate family.)

Though many original features — ornate mouldings and Corinthian-style columns in the dining room, for example — were selling points, a few structural updates were in order. Wiring and plumbing were modernized, and the stone façade was repaired in a yearlong process. Inside, they combined the first- and second-floor apartments to create a two-storey, 5,000-square-foot living space. Downstairs, they merged a small servant's kitchen with the main kitchen to form a versatile oblong space. "Sometimes our sons come to our place to get food from the fridge and then go back to their own apartments," Johanne says, laughing.

On the second floor, a small kitchen and bathroom became the spacious principal ensuite. Out went the bathroom's circa-1950 pink and black tiles and in came full-height silk drapes, the kind you'd find in a plush living room.

Using such subtle, but luxurious, materials in unusual ways is part of Johanne's signature style. "I take time to 'place' the way I feel," she says and describes her design aesthetic as "classic with a mix of contemporary." That's a modest appraisal. Like a couturier whose work never shows the seams, Johanne expertly blends styles and materials.

For 20 years working as a designer and retailer, Johanne has honed a talent for creating dramatic vignettes of both übercontemporary pieces and formal antiques. And this same mélange of old and new can be seen on a stroll through her neighbourhood, past synagogues with the sounds of prayer wafting out the windows and then, in the next blocks, popular cafés such as Toi, Moi et Café, which is filled every morning for brunch.

But travel, and the quest for new objects, ideas and memories always beckon. The couple is planning a trip to Israel and Egypt with Emmanuelle, stopping in Damascus to visit Paul's family. By now, they know to bring along big suitcases. **H&H**