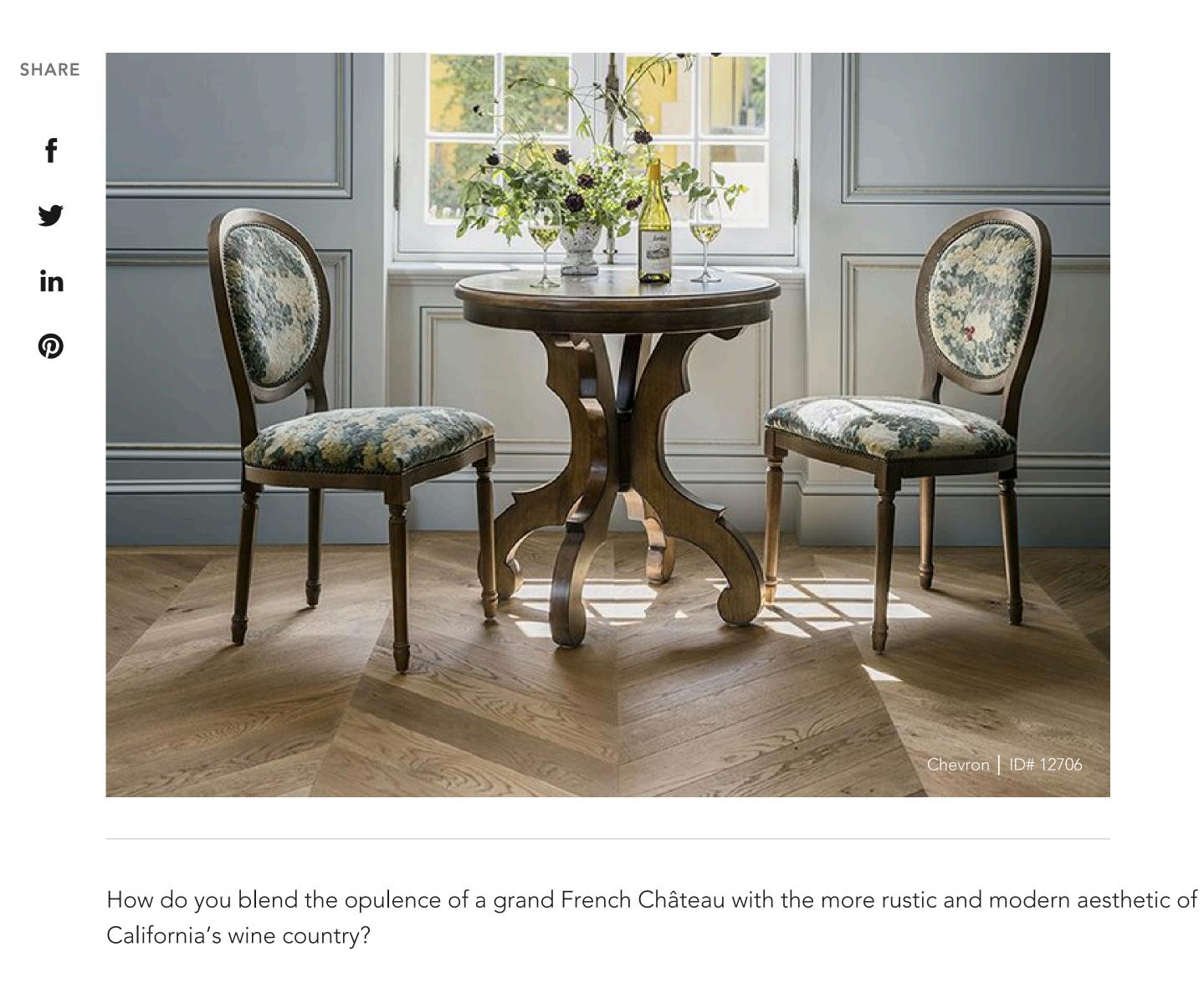
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Vintage French Meets California Cool in a Design for a Sonoma Winery



Vineyard and Winery chose her to renovate the lobby of its French-inspired Château in Healdsburg, California. When guests arrive at the winery and its 1,200 acres of vineyards, John Jordan, the company's second-generation

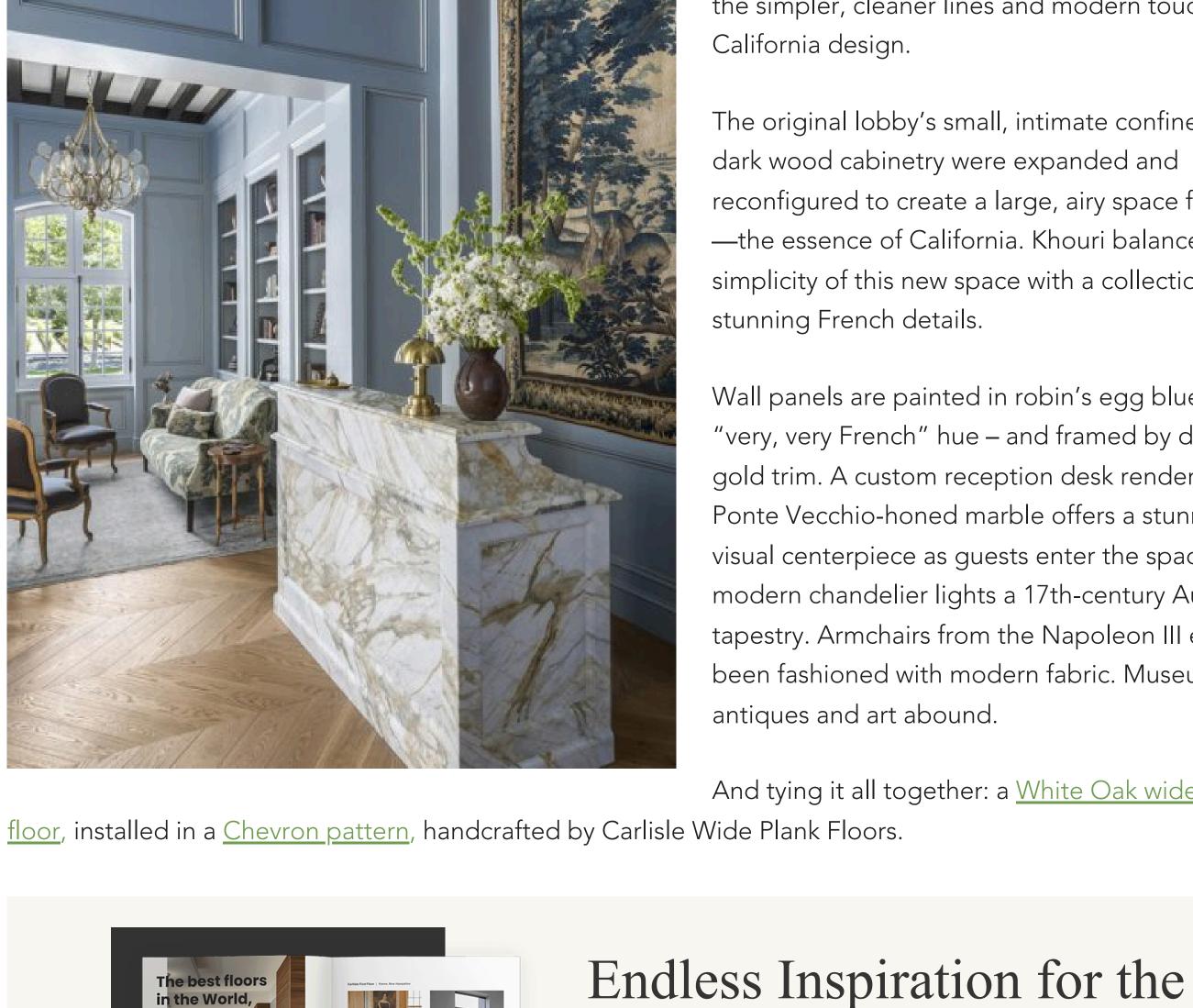
owner, wants them to be welcomed by an interior that reflects the vineyard's origins. His parents founded Jordan —and built the Chateau in the 1970s—after falling in love with the Bordeaux region and its grand vineyards, particularly Château Lafitte. However, the design also needed to reflect the modern design sensibilities of

That was the challenge Maria Khouri – principal of Maria Khouri Interiors of San Francisco – accepted when Jordan

"You can't have a completely French Château in Healdsburg," says Khouri. "It doesn't work. You want the California influence. The challenge was to update it – to make it more 'wine country.'" French Detail Meets California Simplicity

Khouri's remarkable solution for the Jordan lobby elegantly blends the ornate French aesthetic with

the simpler, cleaner lines and modern touches of California design.



Sonoma County's Alexander Valley.

reconfigured to create a large, airy space full of light —the essence of California. Khouri balanced the simplicity of this new space with a collection of stunning French details. Wall panels are painted in robin's egg blue – a

The original lobby's small, intimate confines and

dark wood cabinetry were expanded and

"very, very French" hue – and framed by distressed gold trim. A custom reception desk rendered in Ponte Vecchio-honed marble offers a stunning visual centerpiece as guests enter the space. A modern chandelier lights a 17th-century Aubusson tapestry. Armchairs from the Napoleon III era have been fashioned with modern fabric. Museum-quality antiques and art abound.

And tying it all together: a White Oak wide plank

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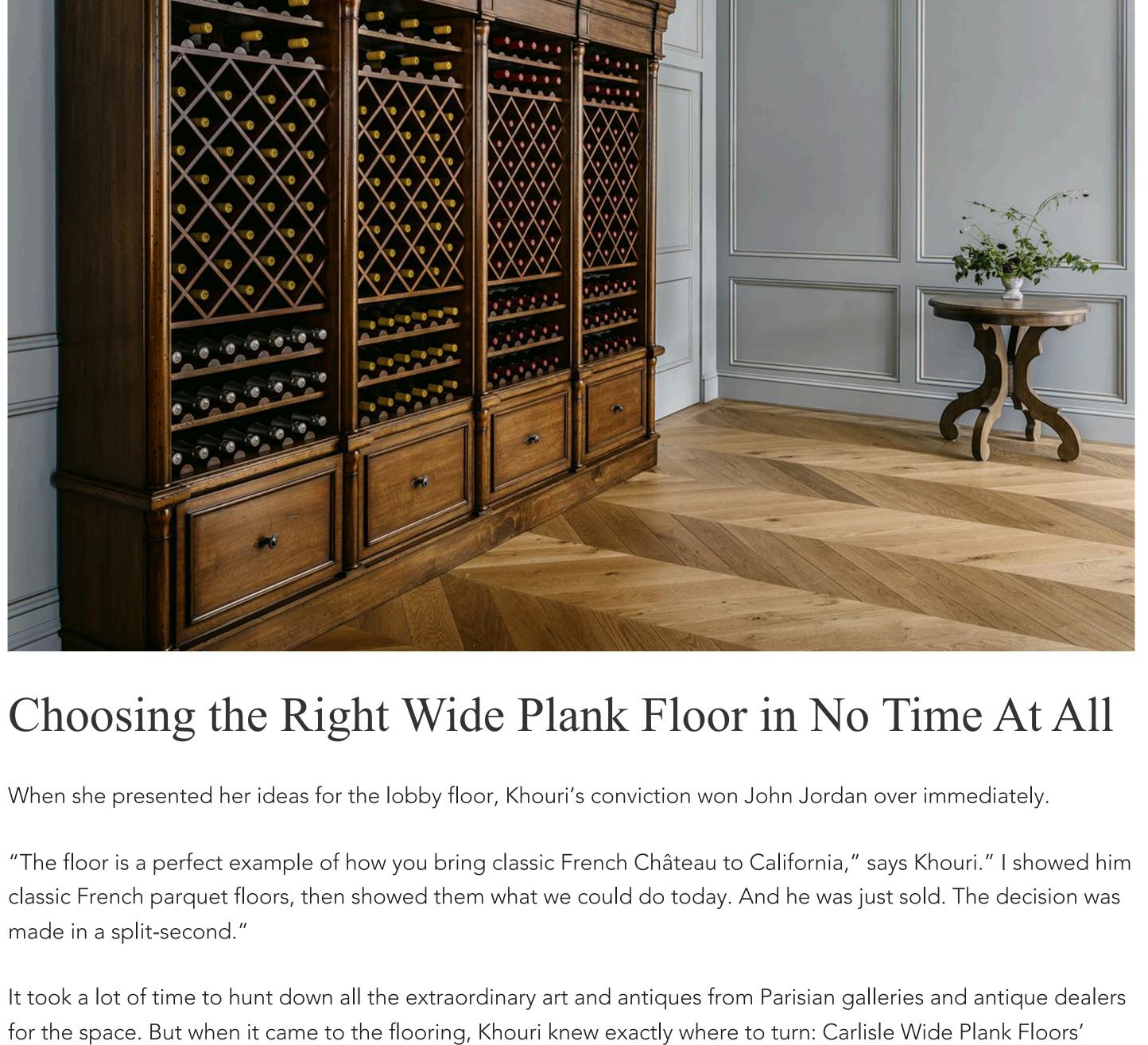
beauty in the world through design at a young age. Her commitment is evident in her approach to choosing the

and color. "That's how I wanted to marry both aesthetics." She just needed to convince the client.

Khouri wanted a classic <u>patterned wood floor</u> in the French Château style but with a more contemporary finish

The floor is like the canvas before you start painting. It's such an anchoring element in a room because there's so

much of it. You interact with the floor more than the walls in some ways because you're walking on it. It's such an



After her initial visit to Carlisle, Khouri was so impressed with McLaughlin's knowledge that she returned to the showroom with her client. "Terry does an amazing job explaining how the Carlisle process works – he's a great

showroom in San Francisco, where Terry McLaughlin is the Sales Manager. She had heard about Carlisle from

other designers. "A friend of mine told me about Terry, specifically," laughs Khouri.

the concept very well, and we wanted high-quality materials throughout."

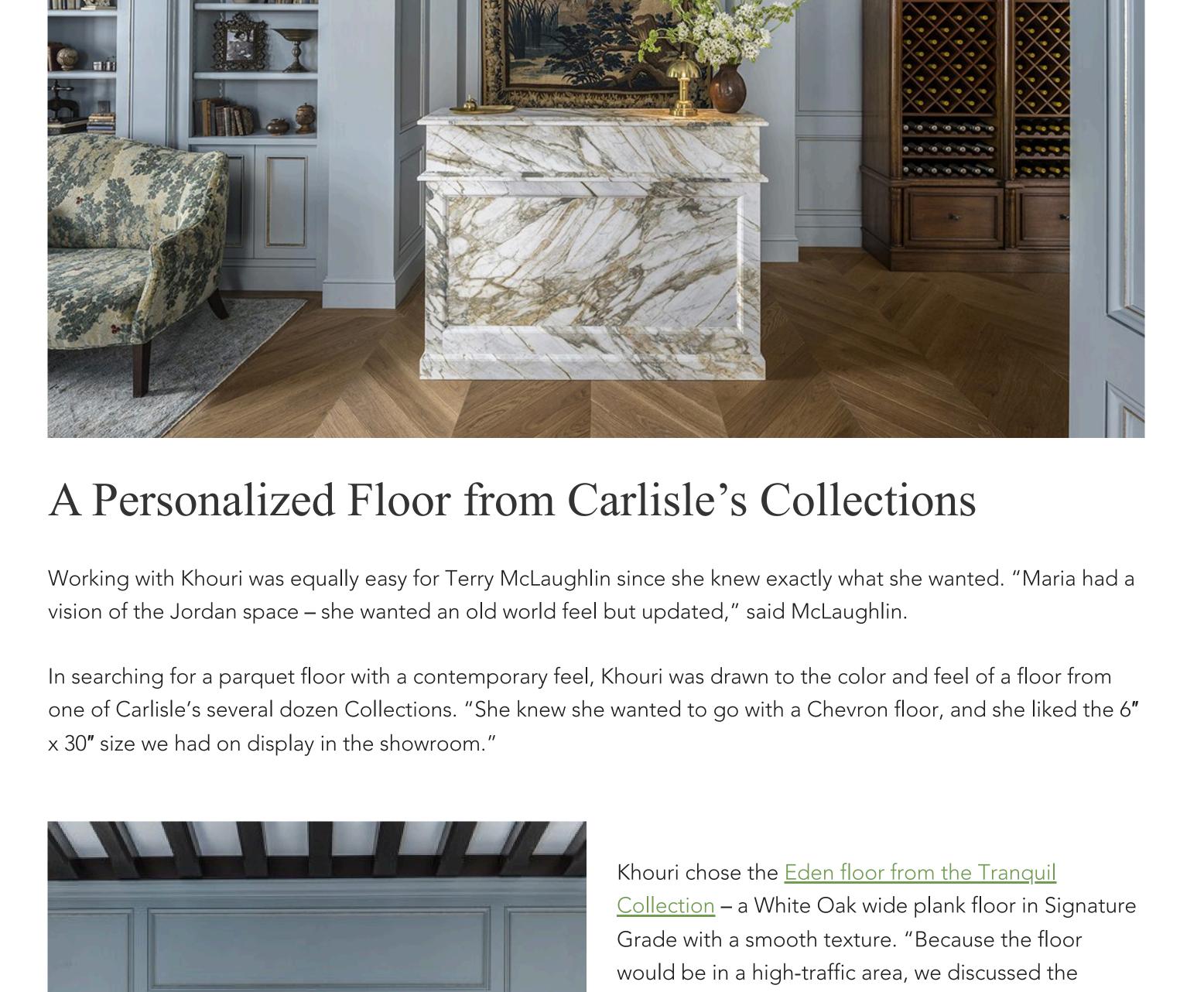
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resource." Carlisle's wide plank Chevron flooring immediately won them over. "He just said, 'Yeah, that's it,' because it fits

Khouri was extremely pleased with the Carlisle team throughout the design process, production, and installation.

"The communication with the team was perfect. I've had zero problems with Carlisle. The logistical side of the

order went very, very smoothly. It was uneventful—exactly what we need to deal with vendors and shipping





hardwood and from a variety of different grades that feature more or less grain and personality. Select Collection floors like Eden can be fashioned with boards of different widths and lengths and treated with various finishes and textures. Depending on the product selected, clients can also choose a pattern installation like Chevron, Herringbone, Versailles, or a custom

receive.

Raves and Accolades Maria Khouri's extraordinary design and renovation of the Jordan Winery lobby with Carlisle floors has been featured in numerous magazines and design journals. But for Khouri, the most important accolades are from the Jordan family.

and wine pairings, the hospitality, and the views."

designing a one-of-a-kind Carlisle floor a true pleasure.

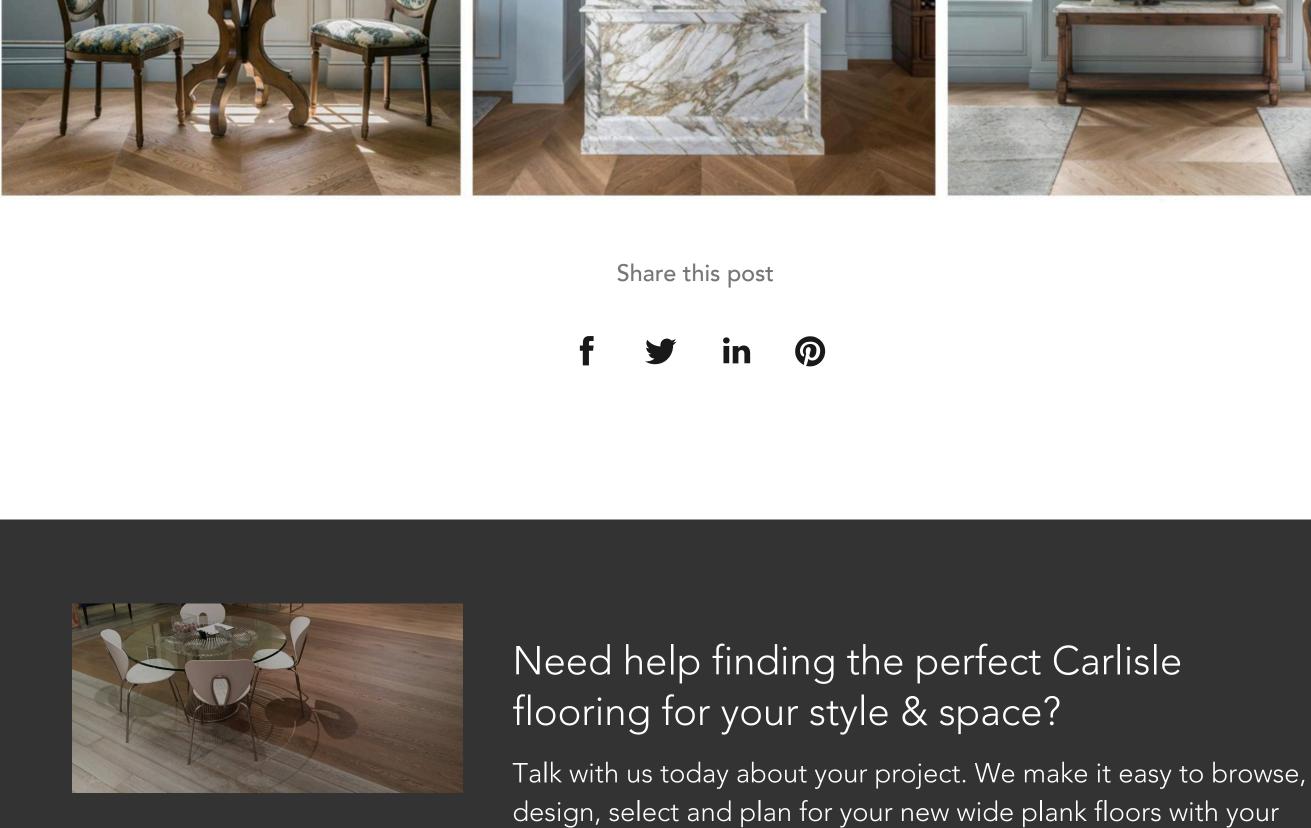
Floors can bring your vision to life. Photography Credit: Christopher Stark | Designer: Maria Khouri Interiors

"We loved how she embraced the Jordan style of blending vintage with modern chic in a timeless way," says John

Jordan. "The Jordan lobby is the first place that guests experience. We hope it will be as memorable as the food

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option of choosing between <u>solid</u> or <u>engineered</u> pattern. Through it all, specialists like Terry McLaughlin provide the kind of invaluable assistance that makes

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Carlisle's Custom Shop handcrafted custom samples

so Maria could show the clients exactly what they'd

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