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Perspective Condominiums' model evokes happy times through travel memorabilia *By Lisa Van de Ven*

Clean-lined furniture and warm neutral colours make for a look interior designer Bryon Patton labels "New Elegance" in the two-bedroom model suite at Perspective Condominiums. "This model was designed to appeal to a more mature professional/empty nester couple that are looking for a comfortable, carefree lifestyle," says Patton, who designed the space with Sean Swayze and Liz McKay, all of Bryon Patton and Associates. Keeping in mind the "sophisticated and well-travelled" buyer, the team introduced exotic accents, as well as art and accessories with a "collected feel," including Murano glass, antique engravings and black-and-white photography. The colour tones throughout are rich browns, bronze, sage and ebony, with aquamarine and Bordeaux accents. "(It) has a warm, comfortable look," Patton adds. Suites at Perspective, by Pianosi Development Corp., range from 602 to 1,223 square feet and from \$299,900 to \$595,400. The sales office is located at 290 Scarlett Rd., Toronto, and opens Monday to Friday from noon to 6 p.m., and weekends from noon to 5 p.m. Call 416-242-3500 or visit perspectivecondos.com.

1 In lieu of traditional bookshelves, Patton used this picture of antique books in the den, printed on Plexiglas and mounted against a chocolate brown wall. "(It) suggests old and new — the mellow tones of the antique books coupled with the crisp sheen of the plexi," he says.

2 Patton mixes up design styles in the open-concept den area, and this desk is just one example. While the desk itself, from Structube, features a contemporary polished-steel-and-walnut design, it's paired with a more traditional black leather banker's chair and a vintage pecan side chair.

3 "This is a great solution to display collectibles — from favourite books to travel souvenirs," Patton says of the thick, wood shelves installed on the den's wall. Another favourite accessory is the Persian area rug, which suggests something residents may have brought from a former home.

4 Purchased from Nuevo, the living room's polished-steel-and-glass coffee table "could easily be from the '70s," Patton says. Its vintage vibe "appeals to both a younger and older market," he adds, while the round shape means there are no sharp corners to bump into.

5 "This chest suggests a collected piece from travels to the Far East and is an exotic focal point for the room," says the designer. The brown lacquered chest is inlaid with mother of pearl, and features rock crystal pulls. Murano glass vases on top "add sparkle."

6 A series of black-and-white drawings, framed in wood and hung on the living room wall, display classic buildings from European capitals, further suggesting residents who like to travel. "We took these prints from an architectural book," says Patton. "(It's) simple but with a touch of elegance."

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