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**Jordaan Loft | Amsterdam**  
By Bureauwijker

## Jordaan Loft: HIMACS featured in a fabulous, bright loft



In keeping with a classic, industrial style, the iconic Alpine White shade of HIMACS endows this home's large kitchen island with a luminous prominence. Also used in the bathroom, LX Hausys' solid surface material played an important role in the complete remodel of this loft in the Jordaan district of Amsterdam.

The owners were looking to convert this former factory, located in the Jordaan neighbourhood, one of the most famous and cosmopolitan parts of Amsterdam, into a home with airy spaces and a warm ambiance, that would make the most of the natural light it enjoyed thanks to the building's orientation. With this in mind, the architectural firm **Bureauwijker**, working with building company **H.Meijer BV** and interior furniture specialists **Houtwerk BV**, transformed the old industrial facility into a spectacular and sophisticated home.

After an exhaustive design study and a special plan for lighting were completed, along with a selection of high-quality materials like HIMACS, the end result of the project was a spacious, bright single-storey loft, whose different areas are clearly demarcated, despite the fact that they flow into one another as part of the open plan design of the home.

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The goal of the remodel was to create **a home** that fosters shared experiences and to convert the living rooms into a single sociable space. To do this, Bureauwijker decided to merge the dining area with the kitchen, creating a more practical and accessible zone. The firm retained some of the building's original features, like its high ceilings and wide, arched windows, which contribute to the loft's brightness and sense of space.

As a counterbalance to the shades of white and the classical style of the decor, warm lights placed in strategic spots and wooden flooring add **a warmer, homier touch** to the atmosphere in the kitchen / dining area, which also benefits from a choice of sophisticated retro-inspired furniture.

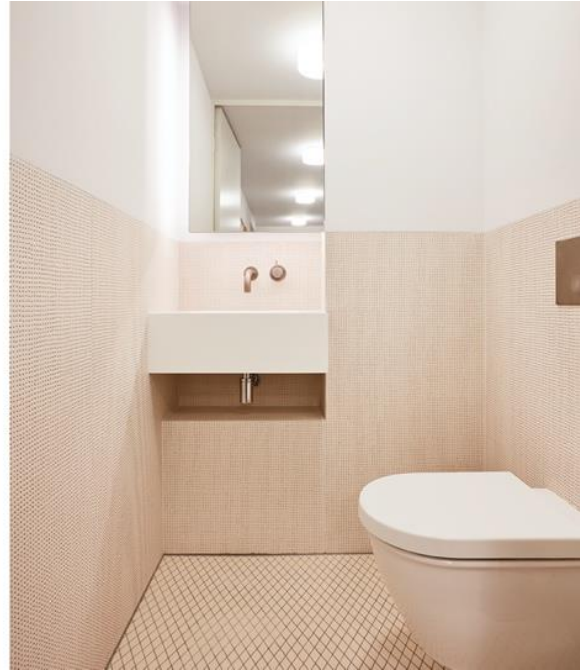


In the kitchen / dining area, a large island, made of spotless HIMACS Alpine White, is the clear star of the show, serving as a bridge between both spaces. Built around one of the home's original columns, the properties of the solid surface enabled the installation of a large piece with delicate, elegant lines. To maximize the island's storage capacity, extra storage space was added, both drawers and open shelving with a wood finish.

The kitchen island works as a gathering place for friends and family, although it is also the perfect place for food preparation. Thanks to its seamless, non-porous surface, LX Hausys' HIMACS is extremely easy to clean and maintain, preventing the accumulation of grime and the potential spread of bacteria and turning the kitchen countertop into a safe and hygienic feature.

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HIMACS Alpine White also features in the loft's bathroom which is characterised by bright colours and the use of nature-inspired materials. Both the countertop and sink are made from HIMACS. Once again, its fulfilment of the strictest standards for hygiene and cleanliness, combined with its outstanding aesthetic finish, makes HIMACS the perfect material for a residential bathroom.



## **PROJECT INFORMATION**

**Project:** Kitchen and bathroom in a private home

**Location:** Jordaan, Amsterdam, Netherlands

**Design:** Jan Willem Wijker of Bureauwijker

**Production:** Houtwerk BV and H.Meijer BV

**HIMACS supplier:** Baars & Bloemhoff

**Kitchen island and bathroom material:** HIMACS S028 Alpine White - [www.himacs.eu](http://www.himacs.eu)

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## HIMACS Solid Surface

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HIMACS is a solid surface material that can be moulded into any shape. It is widely used for architectural and interior applications, such as sculptural and high performance wall-cladding or kitchen, bathroom and furniture surfaces, in commercial, residential and public space projects. It is composed of minerals, acrylic and natural pigments that come together to provide a smooth, non-porous and visually seamless surface which meets the highest standards for quality, aesthetics, fabrication, functionality and hygiene – offering manifold advantages over conventional materials.

HIMACS provides limitless possibilities for surfacing solutions and inspires creative minds from all over the world. **Zaha Hadid, Jean Nouvel, Rafael Moneo, Karim Rashid, Marcel Wanders** and **David Chipperfield**, among others, have completed fabulous projects using HIMACS.

At the forefront of innovation as always, LX Hausys recently introduced two new products. First **HIMACS Ultra-Thermoforming**, an innovative formula that pushes the boundaries of solid surface shaping to a whole new level, with 30% more thermoplastic capabilities - the biggest innovation for the Solid Surface history since its inception in 1967. Now, **HIMACS Intense Ultra**, combining the characteristics from two disparate worlds: **Intense Colour Technology** and **Ultra-Thermoforming**.

HIMACS uses a simple heating process to give three-dimensional thermoplastic forming capabilities, allows visually seamless designs, offers a virtually limitless range of colours and – for some shades - exhibits a special translucency when exposed to light. Although HIMACS is almost as robust as stone, it can be worked in a similar way as wood: it can be sawn, routed, drilled or sanded.

HIMACS is manufactured using a new generation technology, the **thermal cure**. The temperature reached during the manufacturing process sets HIMACS apart from other solid surfaces and creates a denser, even more homogeneous, sturdy, durable surface – with a better resistance and superior thermoforming performance.

HIMACS does not absorb humidity, is highly resistant to stains, and is easy to clean, maintain and repair.

Countless internationally recognized certificates attest to the quality of HIMACS in terms of ecological commitment, hygiene and fire resistance – being the first Solid Surface in the market to receive the official **European Technical Approval (ETA) for façades** – for Alpine White S728 colour. Furthermore, HIMACS has obtained the French **QB certification** and **CSTB ATec “Avis Technique”** for facade applications.

HIMACS offers a 15-year warranty for products fabricated by a Quality Club Member.



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