## Nos. 36 Club Street & 23 Mohammed Ali Lane

Faithful yet Innovative Restoration



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Owner:

Citystate Properties Pte Ltd

Architect:

RSP Architects Planners & Engineers (Pte) Ltd

Engineer:

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Contractor:

U. Sage Contracts Pte Ltd

ocated in the Chinatown
Historic District, this project
comprises a 4-storey Art Deco
building and two 2-storey
shophouses of the Early Style. The
first storey is for commercial use and
the upper floors are for residential
purposes.

Prior to restoration, the taller building was in poor structural condition and the internal reinforced concrete frames had to be replaced. The partywalls of both buildings were propped up before piling and substructure works began, and micro-piles were used to minimise vibration.

A combination of faithful and innovative restoration

The original central corridor layout on the upper storeys

of the Art Deco building has been maintained. However, a new jackroof and void have been added to enhance its interior. On its exterior, airconditioning condensers are cleverly concealed behind timber grilles in order that the design blends in with the building.

All the original features of the shophouses have been retained and restored. Connecting the shophouses to the Art Deco building is an opening created in the ground-floor partywall.

Worth mentioning is how the unusual terrain of the site was exploited to introduce a new

underground wine cellar. In this way, the final product is a combination of faithful and innovative restoration.

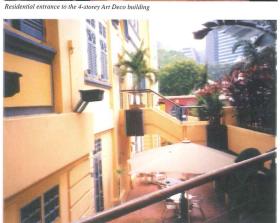


Original features of the 2-storey Early Style shophouses retained and restored



Restored front facade of the 4-storey Art Deco building





Bridge link to residential entrance



Creation of refreshment area within the existing courtyard



Interior of first storey



Cleverly concealed air-conditioning condensers behind timber grilles





