



LE CIEL BLEU

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This is a space of about 278m² with a 5m-high ceiling. When approaching the design I simultaneously embraced the two opposing notions of the overall concept as well as the detailed design of the space. I was conscious that if I based my design on the functional requirements of the space such as the number of products that could be housed, I would end up with an interior resembling a fashion retail megastore. The design that I proposed was an interior space that incorporated another architectural space within it. This interior space was a cylinder made with a structurally self-supporting mesh. Because of the size of the feature I wanted to avoid integrating it too much with the surrounding space, so deliberately aligned it off centre from the axis of the building. This layout gives the space a sense of gravity. I also included custom made hanging light fittings in my plan for the cylinder in order to make the interior space the central focus of the design.



A cylinder made with a structurally self-supporting mesh is the central focus of the design.

