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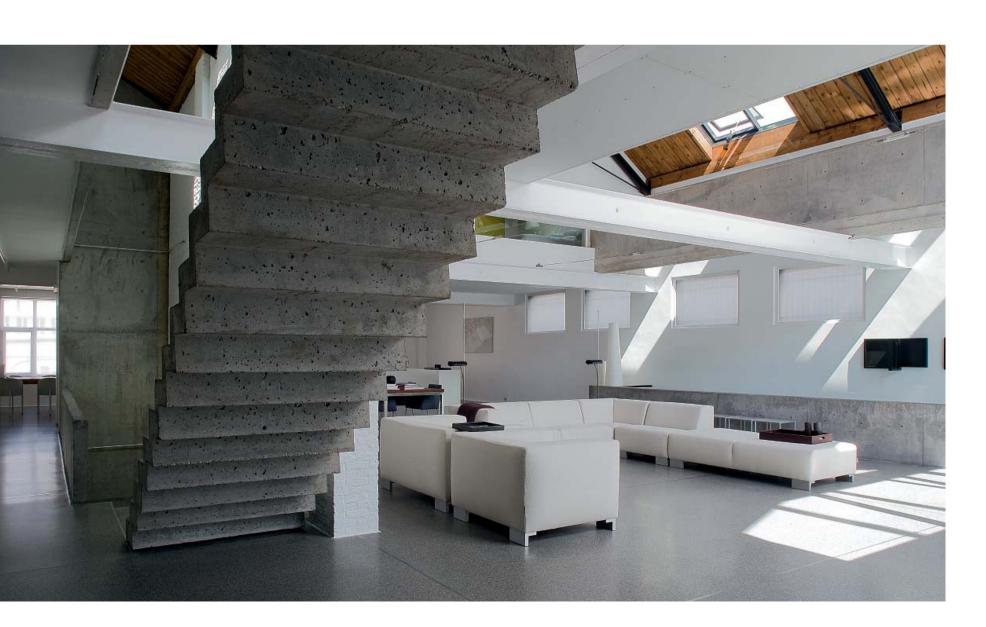


# MORE AND MORE COMFORT

Vantage home automation is constantly finding new ways to add to the comfort in and around your home.

The possibilities are virtually unlimited. All imaginable –and some undreamt of-systems, heating, lighting, audio, video, alarm etc., are delicately integrated into a single system that offers you ideal living. Vantage lets you discover a hitherto unheard of standard of living.

The Vantage home automation system is synonymous with exclusiveness and comfort. Your entire living environment adapts to your daily routine, without the slightest effort on your part.







Vantage will fulfil your every wish.

A virtually limitless range of options provides us with the flexibility to adapt the system to your environment and lifestyle. You obtain a unique system customised to your wishes. Vantage makes your life easier by taking over all sorts of tasks.

Your home is a place where you can relax.



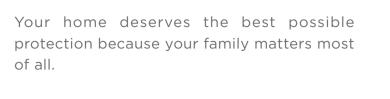


# ENTERTAINMENT

Your home is also a place where you can relax. Safely, surrounded by those you love, enjoy your leisure moments. Just press a button and Vantage adapts to your mood. Home automation isn't just an audio multi-room, it's a reflection of your state of mind. Whatever form of entertainment you like, Vantage will be there at your fingertips so all you have to do is just relax and enjoy.

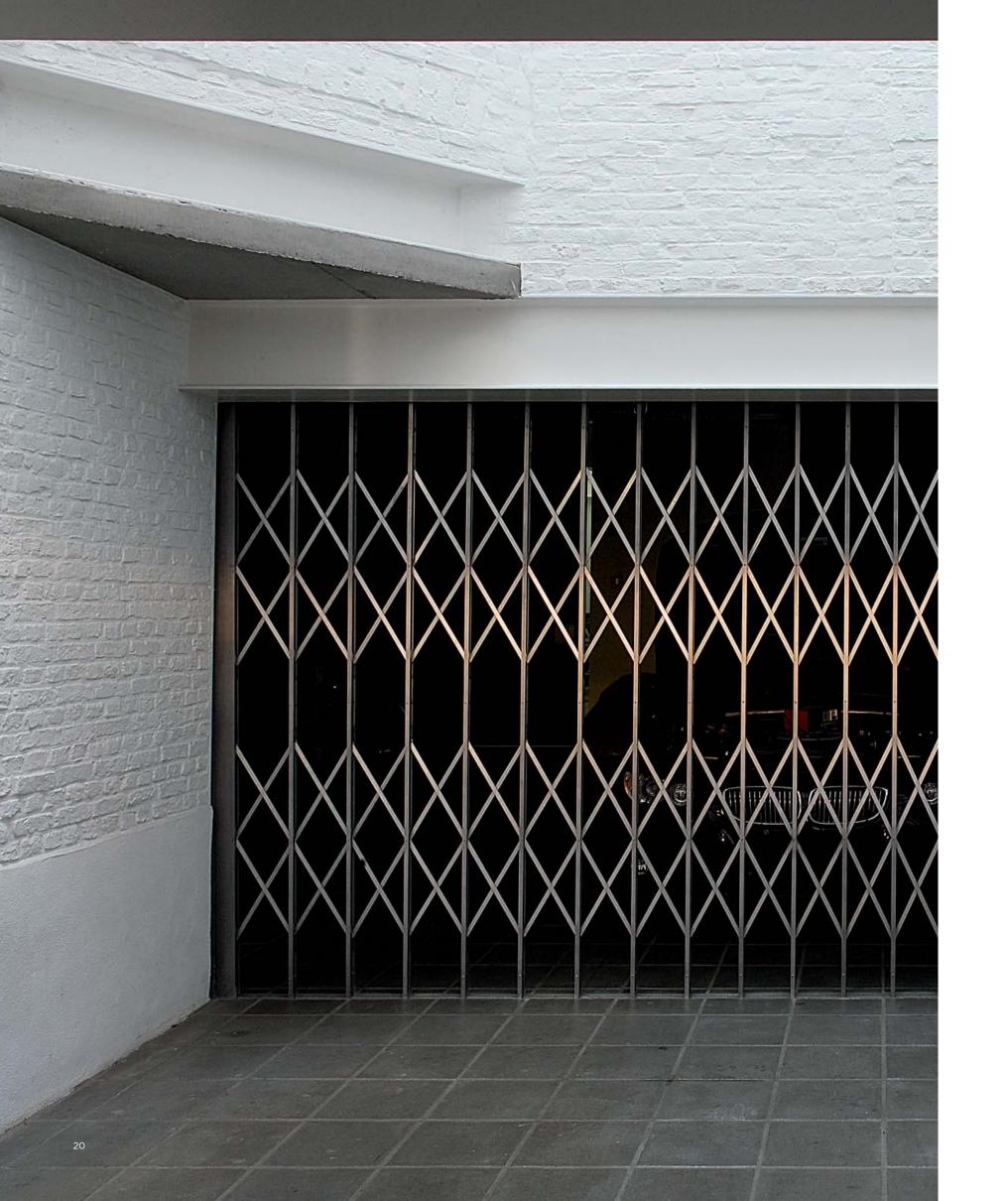
Indoor mini golf or a grand billiard room? Just press a single button and natural light is obscured, the lighting adapts to the pre-programmed setting, your favourite music starts to play, the game can start... We even take care of your bar or personal music library. Result: your music collection is available whenever and wherever you want it and there is a constant supply of ice cubes for your drinks!







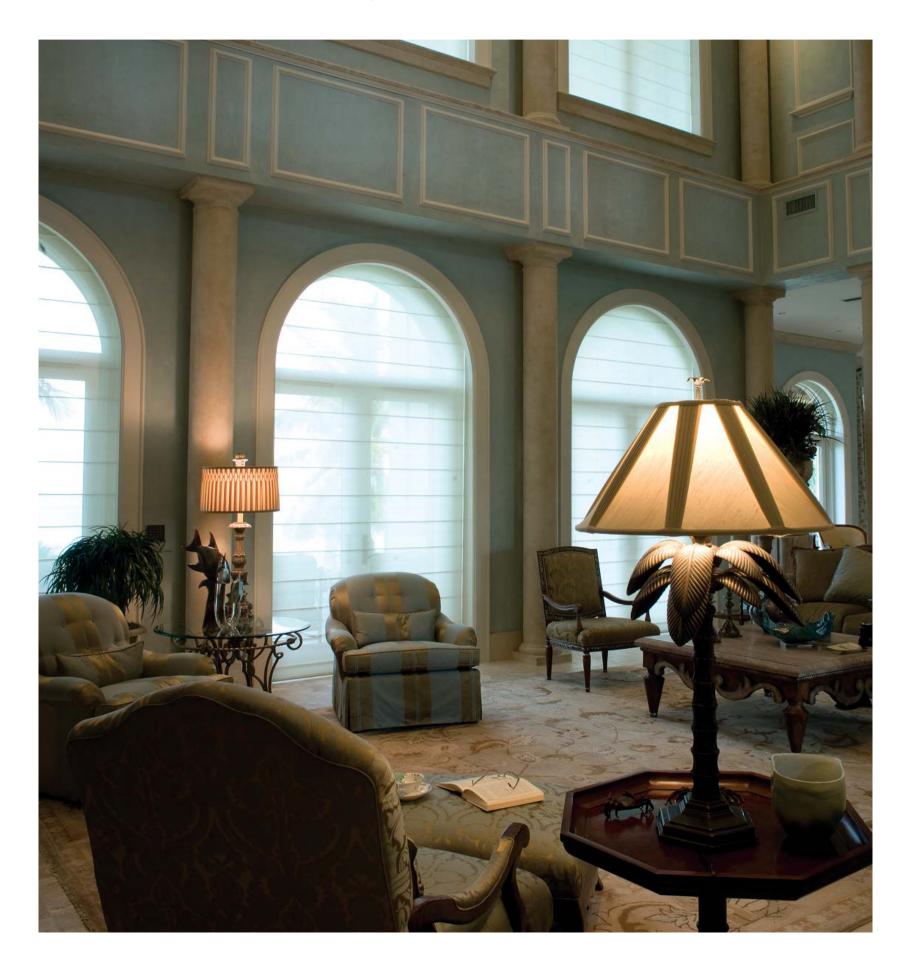
To take care of your home security,
Vantage implements, monitors, warns
and responds where and when you want
it to. Whether it concerns dissuasion:
security lighting, surveillance cameras,
detectors, simulation of presence
when you aren't home.. or active
protection: automatic locking of doors,
blockage of lifts.. Vantage integrates all
security systems, thus ensuring the full
protection you want for your family. An
intelligent security system.



Intelligent management, energy-saving and comfort.. Add to that a high level of flexibility, for example, when rearranging the layout of offices or rooms, and you have an extremely uncomplicated and powerful user-friendly

#### COMMERCIAL PROJECTS

system. No need to make changes to the cabling or hardware, everything is done via software, even by long-distance remote control if necessary.



# COMMERCIAL PROJECTS

Renowned hotels have chosen the Vantage system. From the conference room to the hotel room, Vantage systems save energy costs and at the same time, increase comfort. In audiovisual conference rooms, Vantage integrates lighting, music, projection screen, video-conference system, curtains and even the partitions if they are being used. In the hotel rooms, Vantage operates the lighting, heating and air-conditioning depending on whether or not the guests are in the room, but also individually with the use of easy to use, clear keypads.

Vantage is at the heart of your residence, but whether you are at home, in your office or at the other end of the world, Vantage enables you to monitor, visualise and operate your system by remote access.

#### INTERNATIONAL

Would like to be able to have access to your list of personal listening preferences wherever you are? You can! If you wish, your dealer can arrange things so your screens and menus are the same in all your homes. Virtually unlimited possibilities for screen layouts.



# INTERNATIONAL

Vantage goes with you everywhere. The remote access control is one of Vantage's outstanding positive features. The system data for the surveillance cameras can be consulted by longdistance remote access and even recorded for reading later on. If you want to adjust the temperature of the heating and air conditioning, you just have to push a button, you just have to push a button on your touchscreen or your mobile phone and it's done. With a wealth of comfort that you enjoy at home, you would also like to have the same comfort in your holiday home on the Mediterranean.

Vantage, because you are a cosmopolitan!

Because you are a cosmopolitan!



Would you like Vantage to adjust your system wherever you are? Your dealer is able to intervene by long-distance remote access, on request, even on your yacht. Because you are entitled to Vantage comfort there as well.

Cast off the moorings! The deck spotlights switch off, the windows and portholes are darkened so they don't disturb the navigation, your favourite music stemming from your CD player, MP3 or iPOD™ starts to play... A dream cruise awaits you.



INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

Join Vantage for a trip around the world. No matter where you are, thanks to Vantage's global network, you will benefit from the same products and same service.

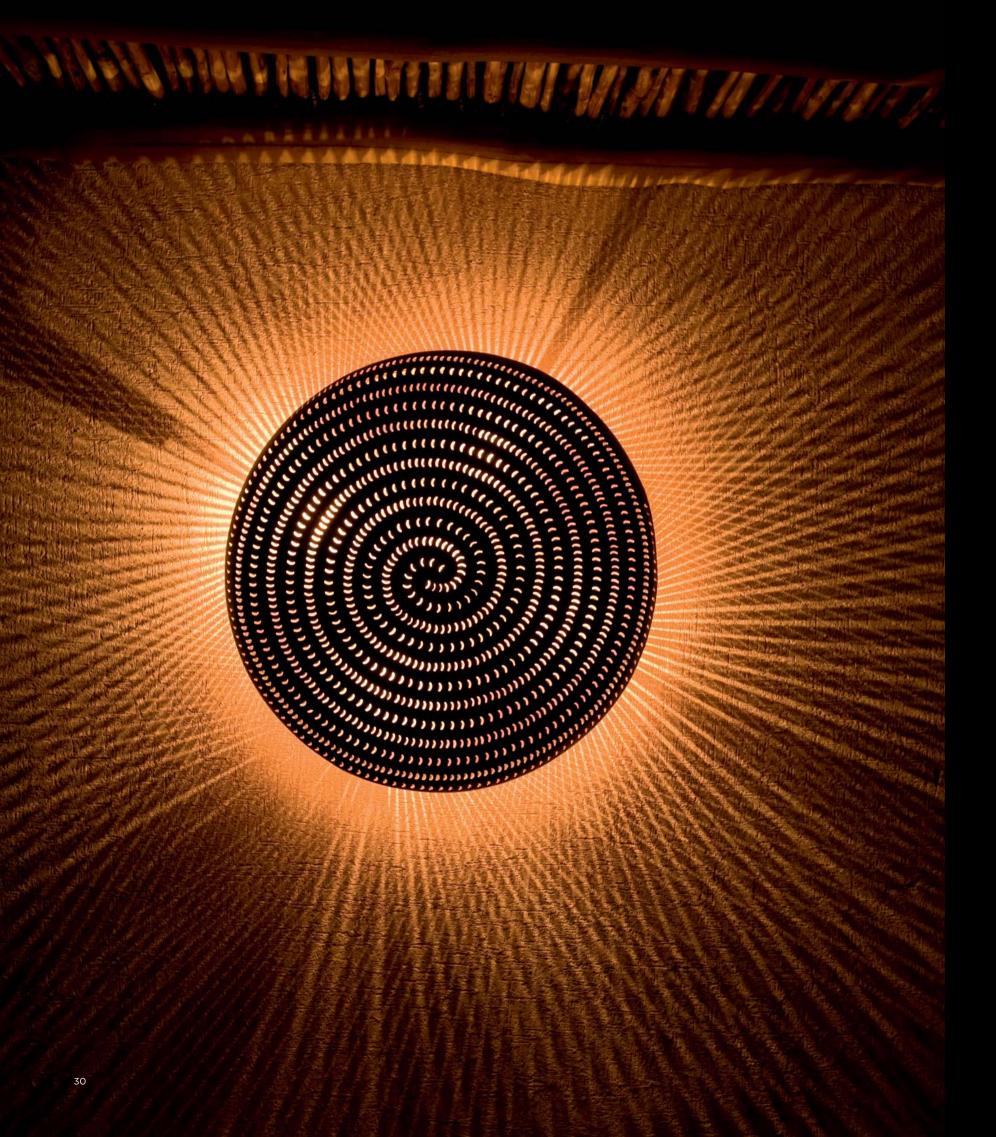
# INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

By choosing Vantage, you are turning to a global player present in the four corners of the world and supervising a group of dealers that are Vantage-trained and certified. We also intervene by long-distance remote access; if you wish, your Vantage dealer can adjust your system without travelling to your location. Whether you would like to benefit from Vantage comfort in your holiday home in the Caribbean, in Dubai or Hawaii, a local Vantage dealer will guide you and offer you the same products and services that you are used to in your home country. Even the programming, design and screen layout will be identical, if that is what you wish.

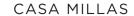
Vantage trains and certifies all its dealers. Wherever you are, your dealer will provide a system that has been customised to meet your requirements. This means you can select your favourite music whether you are in Paris or Dubai. Vantage frees your spirit.

On the following pages, you will discover two Vantage projects. P30 Casa Millas, Mexico P38 Green Setting, Belgium





# MEXICAN





- fountain, water features
- subtle lighting, play of shadows
- changing illuminated scenes
- home cinema on outdoor screen

#### The challenge for Vantage

The challenge of this project lay in the combining of indoor-outdoor. Take advantage of the comfort offered by an interior meticulously thought out down to the smallest details, without having to be surrounded by walls as such; provide lighting that is reassuring and discreet and yet at the same time respect natural plays of light and the magnificent sunrises and sunsets graciously offered by the Pacific. Provide rock-solid reliability in a hostile maritime environment.

#### Outside

A stone path amidst subtly illuminated tropical trees leads to the stone fountain, "Glorietta". From there, a staircase has been erected bordered by 24 palm trees, each with lighting that creates a subtle play of shadow across the palms. In the middle, there is a small stream leaping along step by step, with its waterspouts marking the cadence of the visitor's footsteps. The staircase leads to two large Palapas (thatched umbrellas) that surround the aquatic labyrinth. Here Vantage operates the different lighting scenes. Feel like enjoying wide open spaces? The roof terrace of the main room offers a view of breathtaking landscapes, unless you prefer to watch your favourite film on the outdoor screen.

opposite page Roof terrace with outdoor movie screen bottom Night time view of the terrace



#### Casa Millas AN EXCEPTIONAL CASA!

The background story of a casa on the west coast of Mexico. Designed and built in complete harmony with nature and situated at the tip of a peninsula facing the Pacific, this casa is the second home of a US businessman.

#### Architecture

Overlooking a tip of the property that plunges to the ocean, the house and gardens occupy a 300m long and 70m wide area of the peninsula. With a 280° lighthousestyle view, the architecture had to be open and in sync with the elements. This work of art created by Manolo Mestre and Juan Collignon is taken from the Mexican soul with colours, textures and fragrances to delight the senses of the residents.

#### Customer's main requirements

The customer's chief concern was for the home to be user and maintenance friendly, given the maritime conditions the property is exposed to. The customer decided to entrust Vantage first of all with the lighting, ventilation system, garden and swimming pool, leaving the air conditioning, audio-video operating system and the automated curtain and window system for a later stage..



#### CASA MILLAS

The architect has succeeded perfectly in seamlessly blending outdoor and indoor living. Vantage put itself on the same wavelength and succeeded just as brilliantly.

#### Architecture inspired by tradition

The large Palapa is the heart of the residence. The thatched roof is supported by 4 groups each comprised of 4 trunks.. This traditional structure is composed solely of trunks, natural ropes, nails and screws.

### Outdoor living thanks to seamless integration

Vantage goes far beyond simple integration. This zone is a blend of 3 different atmospheres: relaxed, formal and leisurely around the swimming pool. Vantage operates 8 different lighting circuits, creating different ambiences to go with the occasion or mood.

#### Architecture and ancient art

The house borrows from Mexican art and most of the floors are cement with a hand-decorated "Martelinado" (hammered) finish, which makes each floor a work of art.

### Preprogrammed atmospheres depending on your lifestyle

The impressive length of the swimming pool and its gentle curves and numerous levels give the owner a degree of privacy and at the same time, allow him to remain near his guests. Ambiance, projectors or operation of the swimming pool system, Vantage takes care of it all.



#### Vantage integration

- 3 different atmospheres
- 8 different lighting circuits
- monitor ventilation
- automation of the window in the multimedia room (at a later stage)
- heating system
- overflowing pool
- projectors
- alarm

#### RELAXING

This perfect place was designed for relaxation.

The exterior and interior architecture, in perfect harmony with the Mexican culture and surroundings, beckon you to unwind and reflect.





**opposite page** Main palapa and main living room **above** Owner's private swimming pool



#### Vantage integration

- ventilation system shuts off automatically in the morning during the winter
- lighting, atmospheres
- audio/video system (at a later stage)
- automated curtain and window system (also at a later stage)

#### Exclusivity galore

Each bathroom is a true work of art. The baths are made by craftsmen, the floors have hand-carved designs which together with a private garden or a unique panoramic view overlooking the ocean all combine to create the idyllic setting of this casa.

#### Guest rooms

Just like the guests, each room has a personality of its own. This one is covered by a hand-made roof and the floor has carvings that serve as a stone carpet, both inalterable in this maritime climate. In the winter, the input of fresh air shuts off automatically at daybreak and starts up again after a pre-set period of time in order to avoid excessive cooling.

#### Vantage makes its mark

Vantage's assignment was to be present everywhere and the same time be forgotten. Whether it's discrete lighting of garden paths, ambient atmospheres to go with the time of day or mood or ventilation adapted to the season, Vantage regulates it all according to the customer's wishes. But Vantage also means flexibility. Would like to do things in stages? That's fine. In a second stage, Vantage will work with rain and wind sensors for the operation of windows and metal blinds. Vantage will also take care of the air conditioning and audio/video systems.

#### **FLEXIBILITY**

In line with the owner's wishes, Vantage was installed in phases. At a later phase: air-conditioning, audio/video control system and curtain and window automation systems.





previous page Hand-crafted bath top Main living room, the four supporting trunks bottom Master bedroom, palm roof and hand-crafted floor

A STORY BY VANTAGE

# Green Setting

A private residence in Belgium



# Green Setting AT ONE WITH NATURE

To the north of Antwerp, a modern luxury residence with clean lines is home to an active family with several adolescent children. The building is meant to be contemporary and elongated yet at the same time warm and welcoming. Opening onto a wooded environment, it gives its residents the freedom to profit in full from nature even from inside the home.

#### The architecture

Modern modular architecture where the rooms are well-defined areas that remain closely related to one another. In these wooded surroundings, one notes a symbiosis with nature, both inside and outside the home. From the interior, the huge picture windows offer a peaceful view of the pond decorated with aquatic plants and the lush garden at the edge of the woods. The abundant use of wood on the exterior reinforces the link between residence and environment.

#### Customer's requirements

Right from the start of the project, the concept of opening onto the garden virtually imposed a home automation system. Otherwise how would one assure the unobtrusive operation of such huge curtains?

This residence where several generations live side by side also had its requirements in terms of comfort, entertainment and security. Vantage provided the solution for all these issues.

#### **GREEN SETTING**

#### Vantage's challenge

A modern home where the benefits of Vantage are as necessary as they are inconspicuous. When two different generations live under the same roof habitation, there are certain requirements. Concerns about energy-saving in the children's bedrooms when the children aren't in them, concern about the adaptability of the audiovisual systems with regard to the latest technological developments... So many questions Vantage was able to answer.

#### Blended into a green setting

Open architecture has allowed the green surroundings and century old trees to set the lifestyle of the residents. In a similar vein, Vantage technology adapts itself to the wishes of the occupants in order to facilitate this integration.

#### Clash

Starting from a modern architectural style, the owner wanted to restore the balance with nature by inviting it into the heart of the home by using a choice of shapes as well as materials. This visible balance has been underpinned, or even facilitated, by Vantage.

#### Vantage integration

- automated curtain system
- lighting
- audio and Media Center™
- heating and ventilation systems
- alarm
- automatic door and window locking



above Main living room page 38/39 Main entrance / View from the terrace with pool

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top View from the outside bottom Master bedroom

#### A harmonious lifestyle, inside and outside.

#### Timing

Vantage was brought into this project right from the design stage. That was what the owners wanted. Now too, modifications have been made in response to the occupants' lifestyle and requirements in terms of comfort. In particular, the latest iPod™ technology has been integrated into the music library.

#### The house

A rectangular construction, with a large terrace with pool bordering both sides, it features two wings that form a 'void' that separates the activities on the one hand and provides an additional opening on nature on the other.

#### The advantages of Vantage

The master bedroom is located upstairs in one of the wings that form the void. Sober lines, fine net curtains, a refuge of peace, the crimson and pink shades seek to contrast with the green of the surroundings. In this restful spot, the controls have to be simple. "Good morning" is the name of the button that operates the lighting, ventilation and music environment. In contrast, "Good Night" switches off all lights in the house. But in the bedrooms, they fade very slowly and it's a long time before they go out completely, which has a beneficial soothing effect. The doors are locked shut and the music is turned off throughout the home. After 15 minutes, the alarm system is activated and lastly the garden lighting switches off as well. If someone walks through the upstairs hall at night, faded hall lights switch on at 35% of their full power.

#### **GREEN SETTING**

#### The home

The living room is distinguished by huge picture windows that on the one hand communicate with the other wing of the house across the vide and with the terrace and garden on the other. When more privacy is needed, a simple press of the button and Vantage operates the mechanism that closes the immense curtains. The kitchen occupies a central spot both literally and figuratively and Vantage is there too. When the 'have a coffee' button is pressed, the kitchen lighting is turned on and so is the appropriate music ambiance.

The lighting and music levels can be changed very easily via the touchscreen and the new selection can be entered into the memory so this ambience can be selected again in the future.

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The interior is a reflection of its occupants.

Vantage has translated that into easy to use technology.

#### **GREEN SETTING**

#### The home

The bedrooms of the adolescent children are also located upstairs. The father of the house entrusted Vantage with providing energy-saving solutions. In these rooms, the lights are programmed to gradually fade out over a 5 minute period an hour after they are switched on. To switch the lights back on, the young residents have 3 options: they can use a button next to the bed or on the keypad next to the door, or they can use their PC. The heating system is also automated and adjusts the temperature automatically when it's time to leave for school.

#### Entertainment

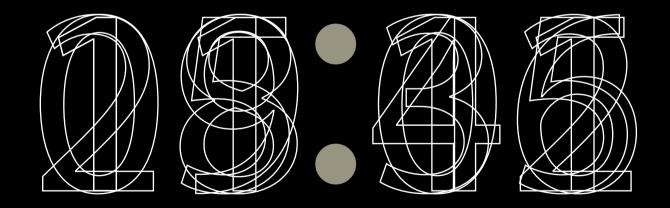
The kitchen occupies a central position between the living room and entertainment room. The latter is also oriented towards the garden and here too Vantage takes care of the curtain closing system. Indeed, in order to take full advantage of a home cinema, the room has to be properly darkened... And as its name indicates, has to be multifunctional and suit everyone's taste. Nothing could be easier than selecting the source for TV watching: cable, parabolic antenna or DVD; just make your choice on a portable touchscreen. Similarly, if you prefer to watch a movie on the home cinema screen, just make your choice on the touchscreen and the projection screen will roll down...







opposite page Entertainment room above The kitchen above Main entrance



There's a Vantage function for each hour of the day. Refinement linked to comfort adds something special to your life. Your house takes care of you!

A DAY WITH VANTAGE

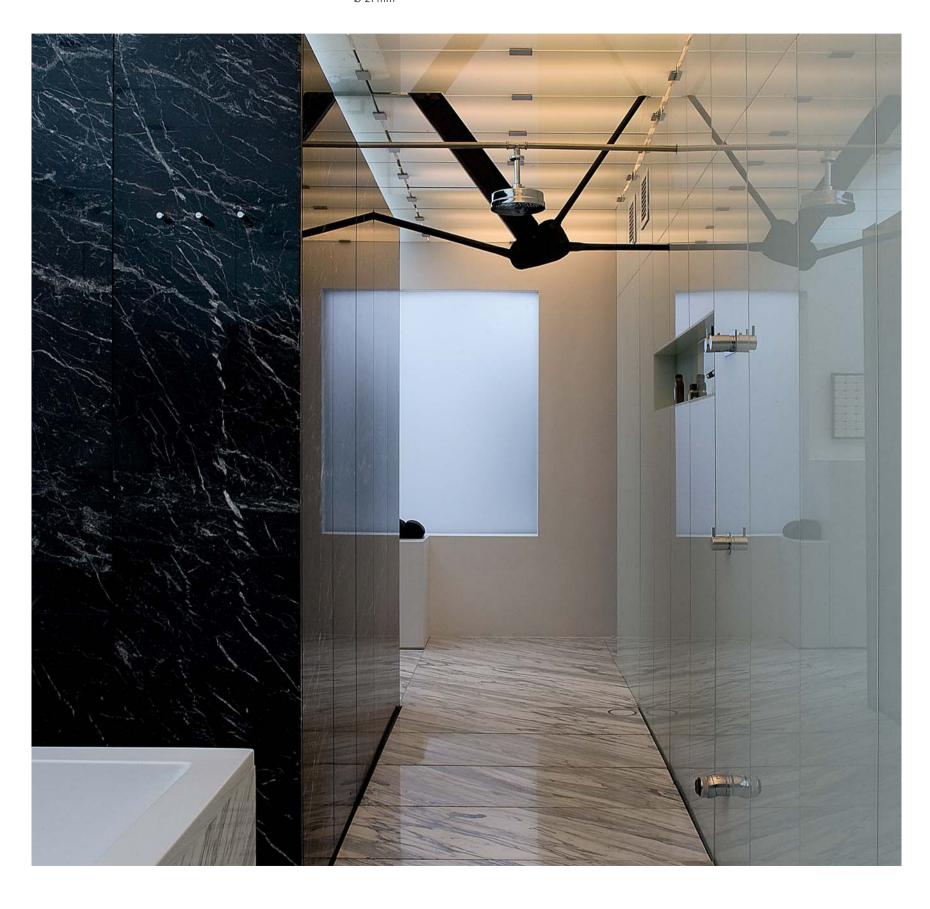
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Flushmount light and motion sensor 360°

Mini flushmount motion sensor 360°



A soft light next to your bed is turned on. You are awoken by soft music.

You head towards the pre-warmed bathroom following the path marked out by diffuse luminous points.





Wind sensor

Rain sensor



The ventilation switches on in the orangery.

The rain sensors detect a shower and the windows are shut.

Someone is ringing at the door.

You see who it is by looking at the touchscreen in your living room.

In the dining room, soft music creates the atmosphere you selected.



A lovely sunny day.

Vantage controls the sprinkler system.

The sensors haven't detected any rain.

The various areas are watered at the programmed time.

It's Saturday tomorrow.

The swimming pool cover will open up and the pool will be ready for swimmers.

When the wind gets up, the awnings automatically shut, as does the pool cover.

This prevents the leaves from clogging your filters.



Touchscreen 10.4"



You and your family return home.

You are greeted by a pleasant temperature and subdued lighting.

At dinnertime, the lights are fully on.

Later on, you are watching television.

The lighting is dimmed and the temperature is increased by a few degrees.



Touchscreen 6.5"



After your hammam, the indoor swimming pool awaits you.

Thanks to Vantage, it's at just the right temperature and the cover has been removed.

And how would you like an aromatherapy and chromotherapy treatment?

Corresponding to your wishes, the climate control diffuses a pleasant perfume and the walls radiate a luminous beam of changing colour operated by Vantage.



You've decided to go to bed.

Your partner will return home later on.

Just one press on the keypad placed next to the bed and the appropriate setting is activated.

When your partner returns home, the parking area and path to the front door will automatically light up.

#### Inside the home, the lights will be dimmed.

To switch them on in the bedroom, your partner will use the same button as in the daytime, but the lighting will only switch on on his or her side and will be dimmed so that it doesn't wake you.

The nec plus ultra of exclusivity: Vantage in sync with your wishes.

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WHEN SHOULD YOU TURN TO VANTAGE?

#### WHY CHOOSE VANTAGE?

Providing fully individualised solutions to fulfil your specific requirements: this is what makes Vantage a pioneer and leader in the home automation market.

It is also why we can assure you that in the future, we will be there to adapt your system to the newest state-of-the-art technological innovation that appears on the market.

For a fully successful concept of Living Perfection, there has to be synergy right from the start between you, your architect, your builder, your interior architect, your lighting designer and of course your official Vantage dealer.

### WHY VANTAGE

- 5 year warranty
- updates: Vantage software was designed to easily accept updates, which gives it exceptional flexibility for integrating technological innovations on the market
- Exceptional userfriendliness: extensive customised programming, together with screens that can be personalised all mean that operating the system is mere child's play. Moreover, the

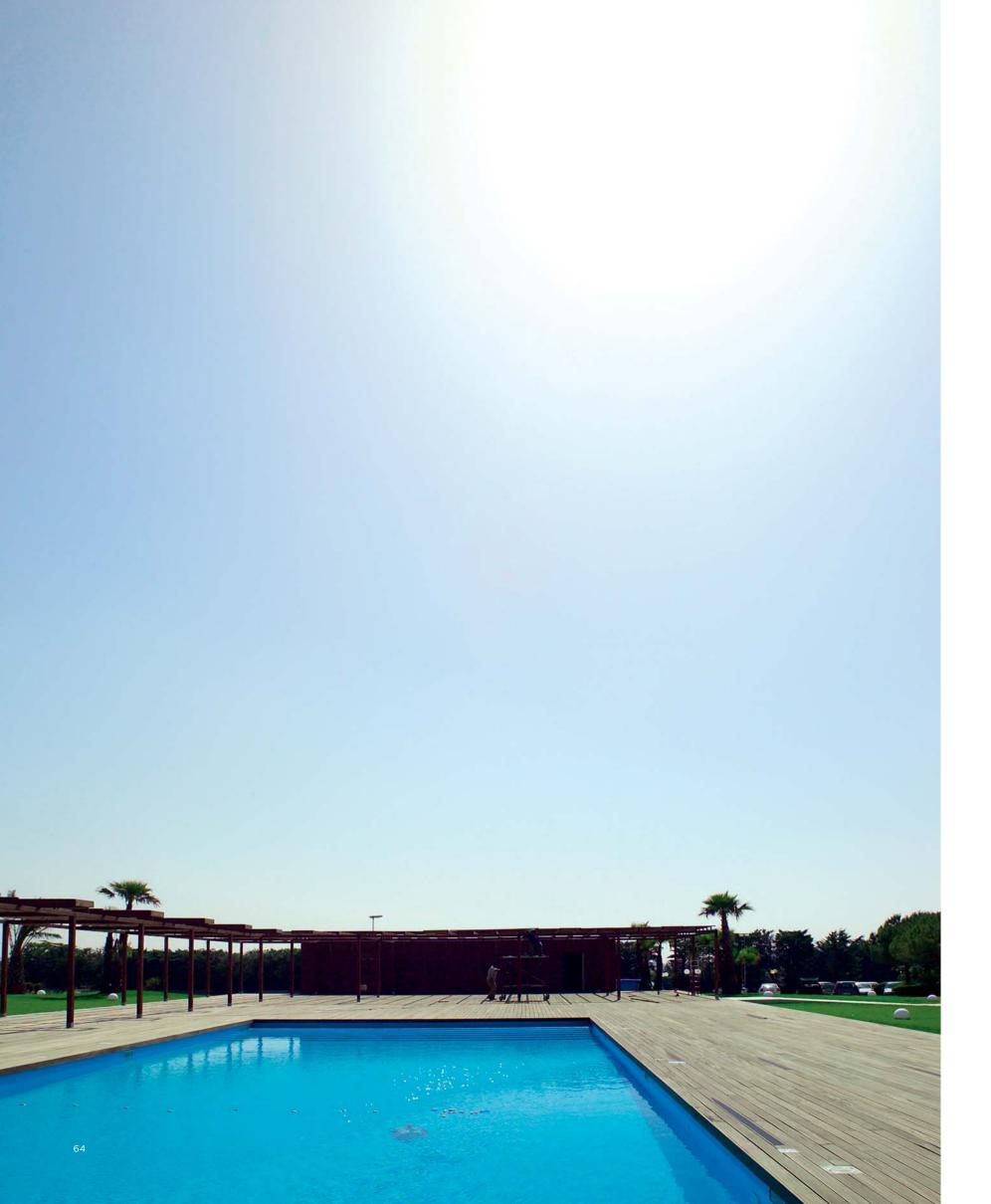
programmation software is extremely easy to use. A large selection of keypads and touchscreens also increase comfort and use.

- One of the most powerful systems: integration of all systems by simplifying the commands.
- Intervention by remote control: possibility for intervention by long distance control and presence in the four corners of the world.

# WHEN VANTAGE

At what point in time should you start to think about a Vantage system for your new home? Right from the start, when the project is still a dream. But it's not because you've already built your dream home that Vantage can't be part of it. We can step in at any time!

An official Vantage dealer will design a personalised system that will ensure seamless integration of lighting, entertainment, security and building climate control systems in full accordance with your requirements and wishes.



#### CONTROL DESIGN

intelligent automation.

At Vantage, discretion is extremely important, touchscreens and keypads are designed to blend into the surroundings while behind-thescenes, sensors detect and send information unobtrusively without disturbing your interior. For this, Vantage has developed a wide range of specific sensors.

Inconspicuous and effective, they are the senses of your home. They detect movement, presence, light, rain, wind etc. and so enable

# SENSORS

The sensors enable you to get the most out of your home automation. Reacting to atmospheric conditions, they operate the sprinkling system, open/shut the windows, cover/uncover the swimming pool, lower/raise the awnings and shades, etc. however you can step then manually and any time by pressing a button.

By adjusting the light intensity to daylight and to the presence or absence of people, they also make it possible to save on energy. Likewise, they reinforce security by lighting up the paths leading to the house and simulating presence when no one is home.

CONTROL DESIGN

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The keypads are the basic control points of the Vantage system.

You decide which functions to give to these control buttons as well as their appearance: contemporary, traditional, minimalist... it's up to you.

An LCD touchscreen is the nec plus ultra of home automation controls that can be personalised. In some areas, it is important to have an overall view of several integrations, which is why we advise you plan on having a touchscreen in the main rooms of the home.

### KEYPADS







A single inconspicuous keypad replaces entire rows of conventional switches. Each button has a LED, the colour intensity of which can vary depending on the time of day or the ambiance selected.

In option, the keypads can also integrate an IR receiver, sensors or other Vantage system devices.

# TOUCHSCREENS



A VGA colour touchscreen to ensure control of all systems (lighting, climate control system, audio/video or other) constitutes the most compact and elegant solution. All screens can be personalised according to the owner's taste. They are

even capable of showing different types of videos from the TV or surveillance cameras or of showing your personal music library which allows you to "leaf through" the different menus.

# VANTAGE: THE IDEAL CHOICE

Vantage offers you a complete system, personal, easy to use and that is going to greatly increase your living comfort.
Each project is unique and adaptable to future requirements.

Vantage and you: inseparable!

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(www.home-automations.com)

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