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## Therese Virserius completes tasteful design at Grand Cru

Therese Virserius Design recently completed the interiors of Grand Cru, an upscale small plates restaurant located in Englewood, NJ.

The first of its kind for the area, the 2,000 s/f space has an intimate seating capacity of 70 and is located at 36-40 North Van Brunt. The décor of Grand Cru is a juxtaposition of masculine versus feminine materials that is separated into two distinct dining areas; the front - a sexy, intimate bar, and the rear - a lush, sophisticated, casual lounge with seating for small groups.

The entry to Grand Cru sets the overall tone with contrasting hard and soft materials by alternating contemporary masculine-like grey Pompeii chiseled stone and flirty sheer acrylic panels that appeals to a more feminine side. Black

wooden up-lit planters featuring green, natural tall grass complete the dramatically spectacular entrance.

The focal point of the front portion of the restaurant is a substantial bar which has a five-inch thick white-hued calcutta gold marble top with graining laid out in a book matched, flat cut.

Handmade rust-colored geometric Tibetan metal panels adorn the front of the bar. Guests can gather around strategically placed hightop tables wrapped in soft red hued leather and bathed in warm lighting created by silk covered pendant chandeliers. The lounge area features elegant gathering spaces which include ebony veneer cocktail tables, a cluster of chandeliers wrapped in red silk with black crystals seductively dangling in the center of the room.

