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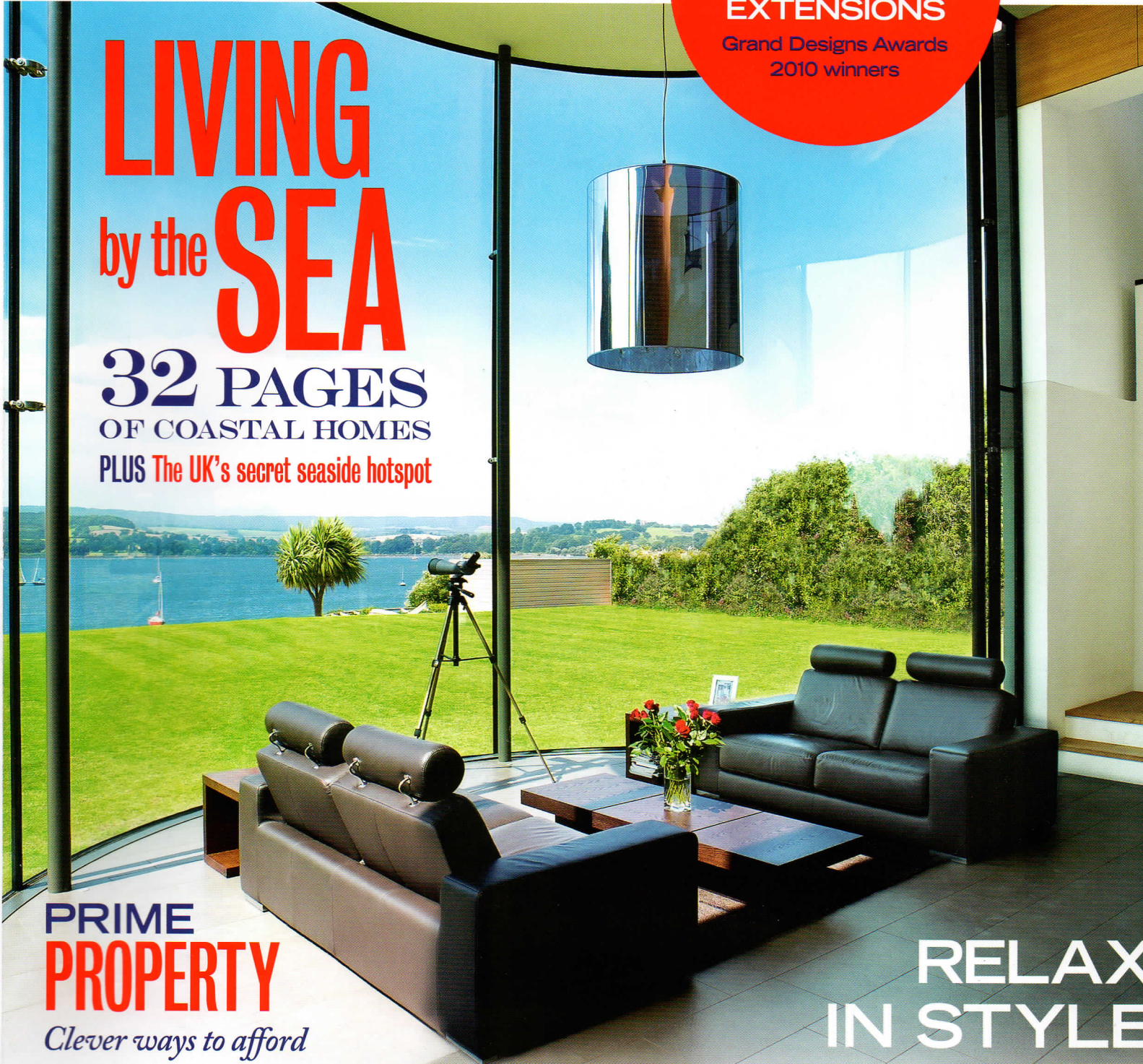


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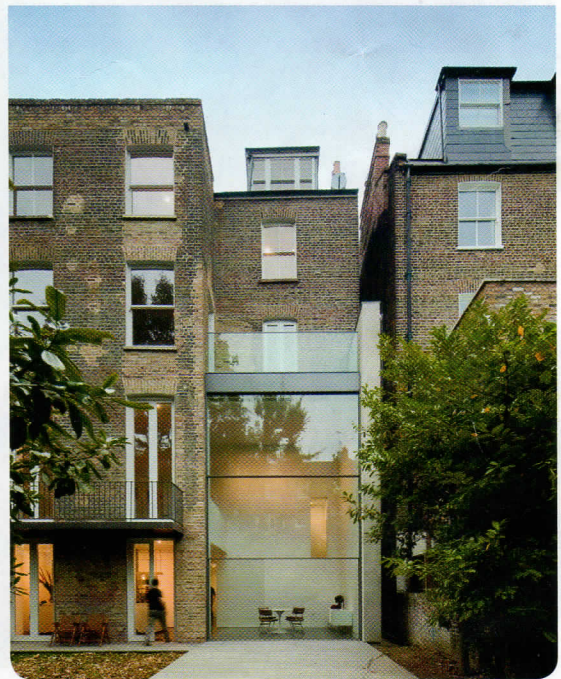
DOUBLE-HEIGHT EXTENSION

Receiving the go ahead to gut the interior of a large, double-fronted Victorian house that had been split clumsily into flats provided architectural practice Paul + O with a rare treat for a period property: a clean slate. By moving the staircase, it was able to put the living spaces and master bedroom at the back of the house,

enjoying views over the south-facing garden. The house has four floors, including a lower-ground level that had a dated Seventies extension – this was torn out and replaced by a sleek new double-height extension that connects the ground and lower-ground floors in a more logical way. The sense of flow and coherence is emphasised by the rooms on the lower-

ground floor – the hall, kitchen and family room are separated by glass doors that can be pulled back to transform the space. The garden is accessed by an enormous 6.4x4m triple sash window that can be raised – a unique motorised design that's a world first.

House on Bassett Road by Paul + O Architects (020 7604 3818; paul-o-architects.com)



The Finalists



Sixties semi to cool glamour
Brondesbury Park residence
by Inglis Badrashi Loddio
Architects (020 7580 8808;
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Huge, airy basement
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