

THE BLACK

Loft House / Design Guild

/ INFO

Location / Seoul, South Korea

Area / 325.26 m²

Site Area / 211.6 m²

Built Area / 124.28 m²

House Type / Guesthouse

Floors / 5 + basement



/ THE BUILDING

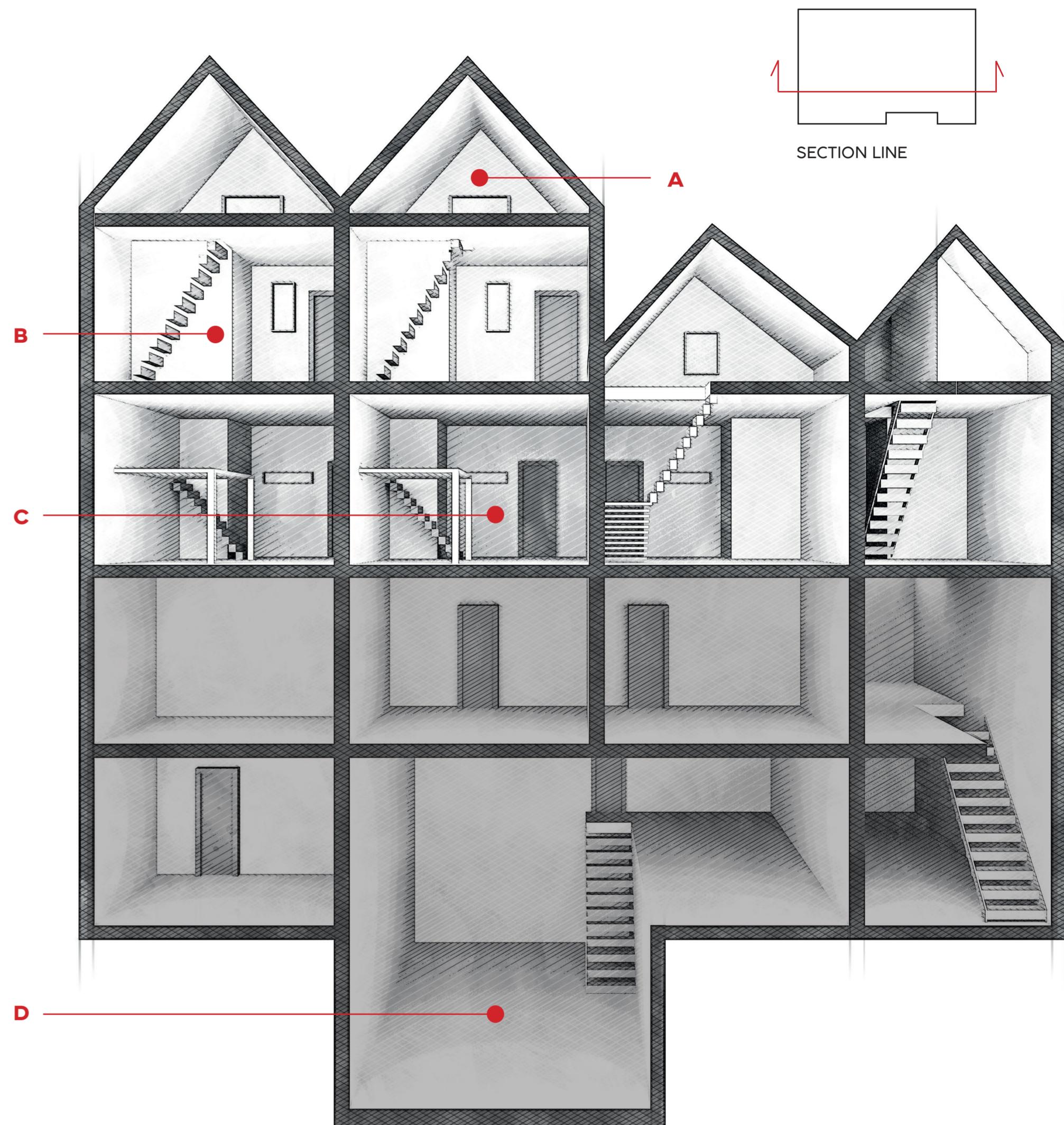
The original building was made up of two floors and a basement. Design Guild renovated the **existing part** (colored in grey), transforming the basement into a communal living area and dividing the rest of the space into mini apartments.

The building was then **extended vertically** by adding three more floors. This allowed the architects to really take it a step further with a **new look** and a lot **more space**.

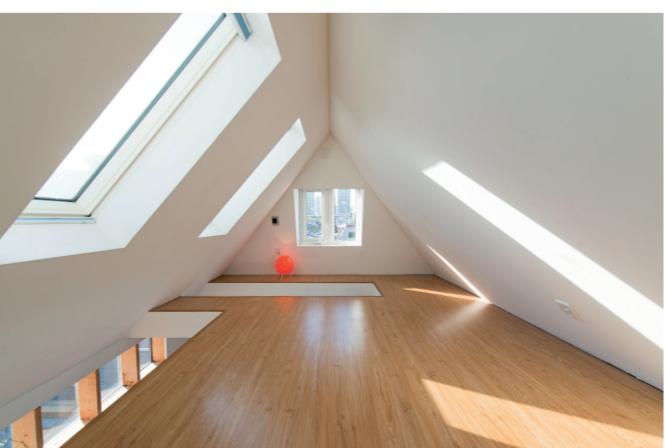
/ CONCEPT

When the architects first saw the house, there was nothing special about it: it was just an ordinary house in an ordinary town. They thought it needed a new **strong identity**, something unusual and different that would **attract people**.

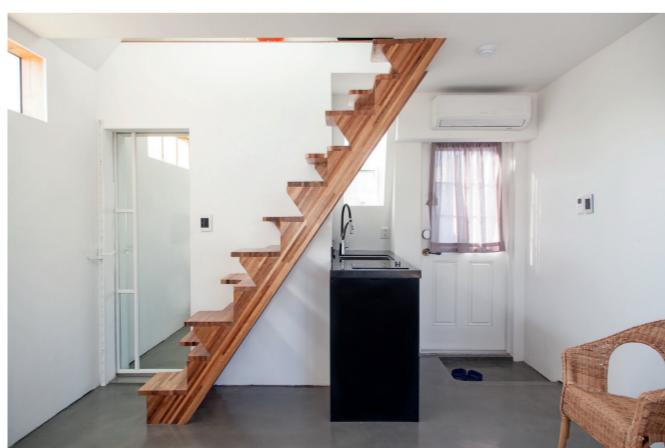
Design Guild decided to go 'back to basic'. Their inspiration were **kids' house drawings**: the triangular shape of the roof would be the new theme. They expanded the existing building **vertically**, adding pointy roofs that allow every room to have its own attic space.



A / attic



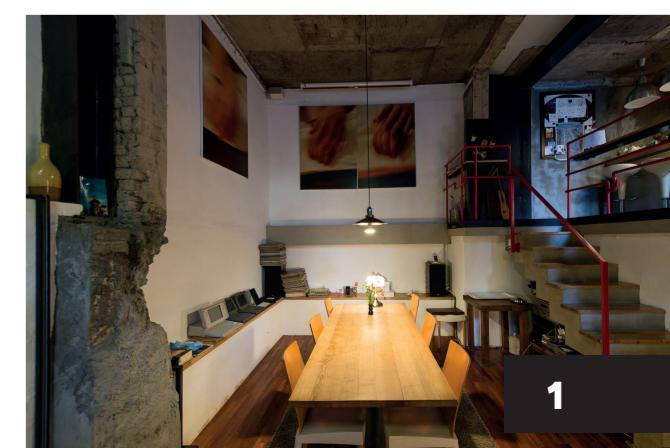
B / entrance and kitchen



C / room with loft



D / communal area



THE EXTENSION

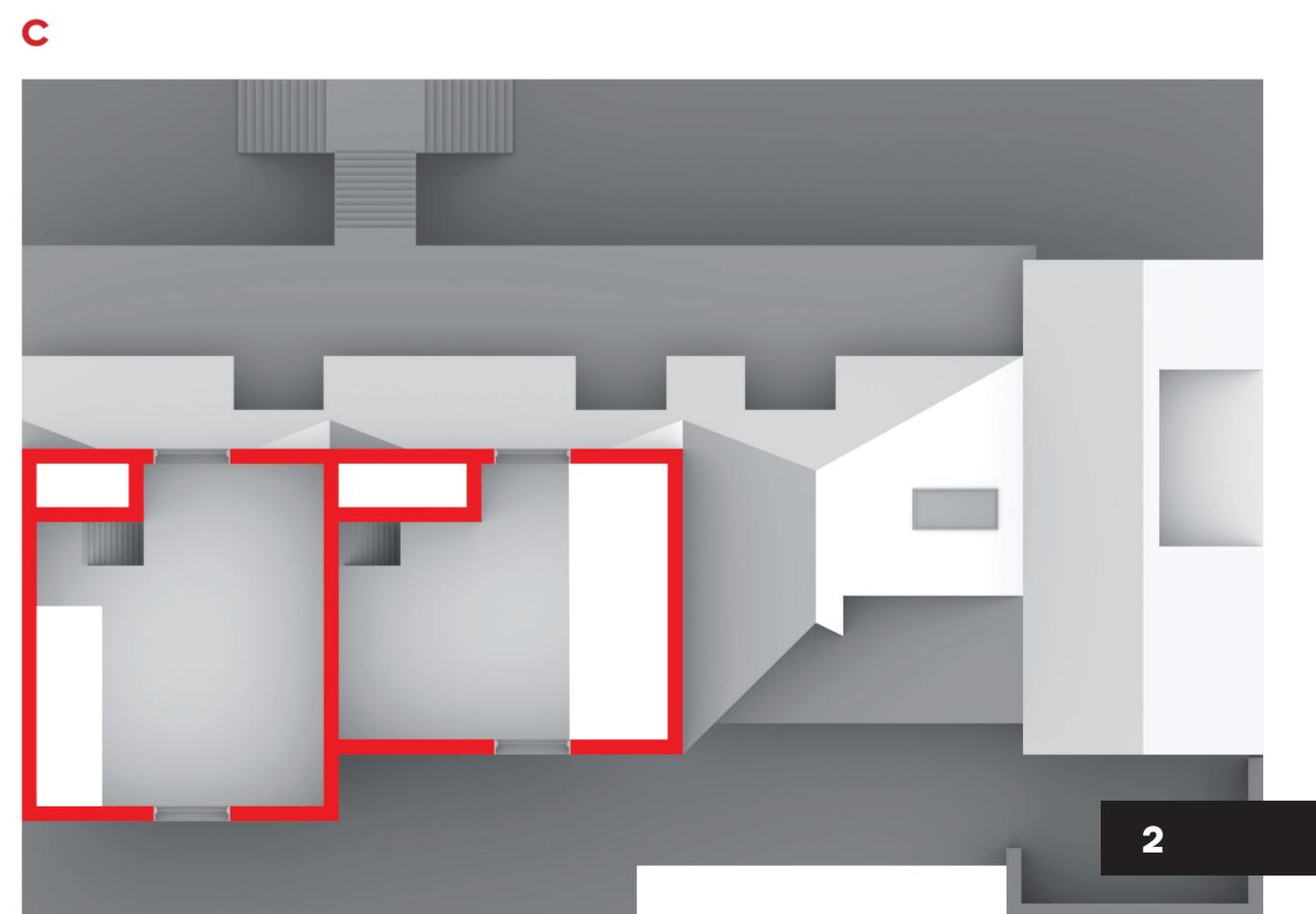
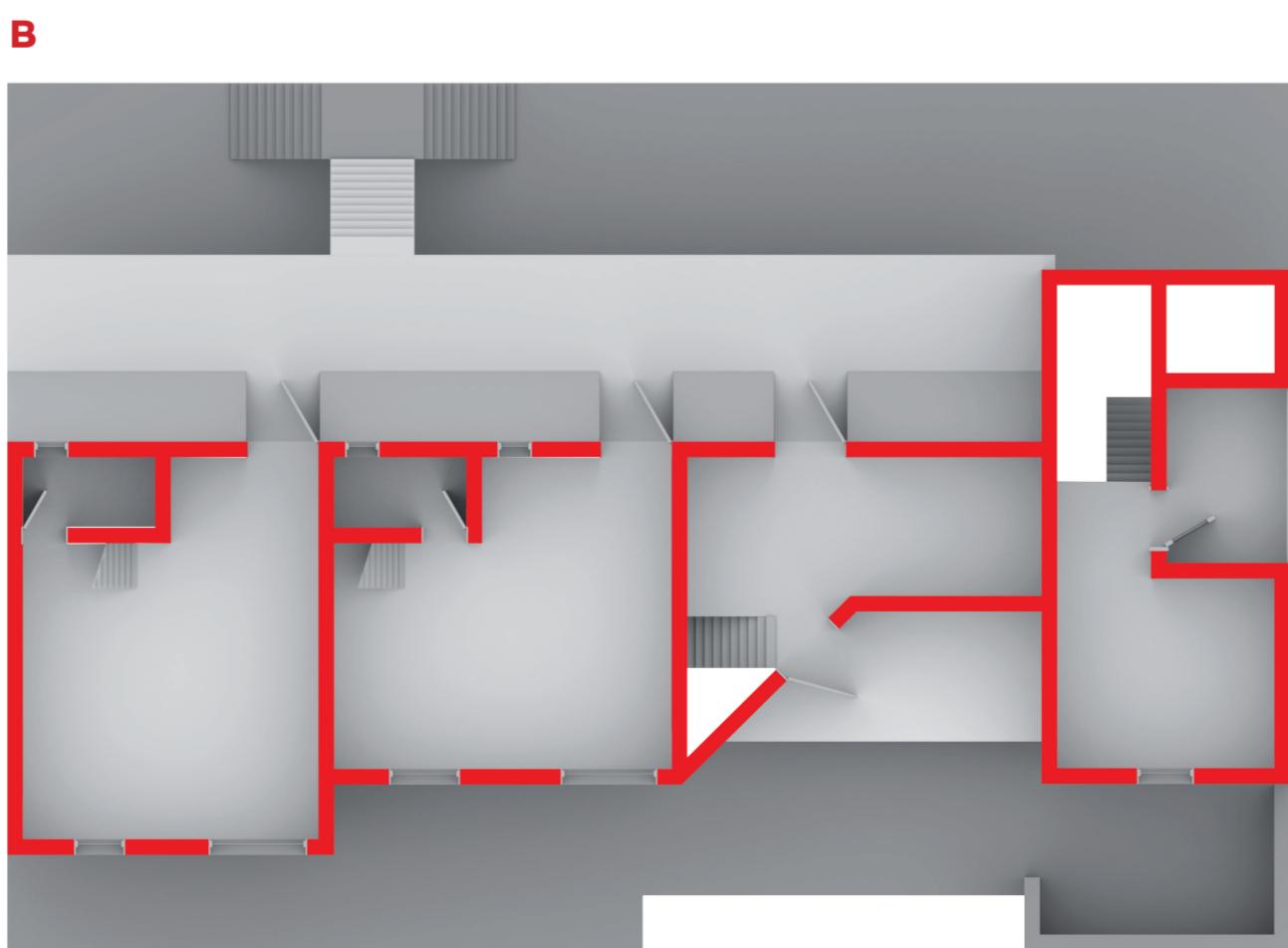
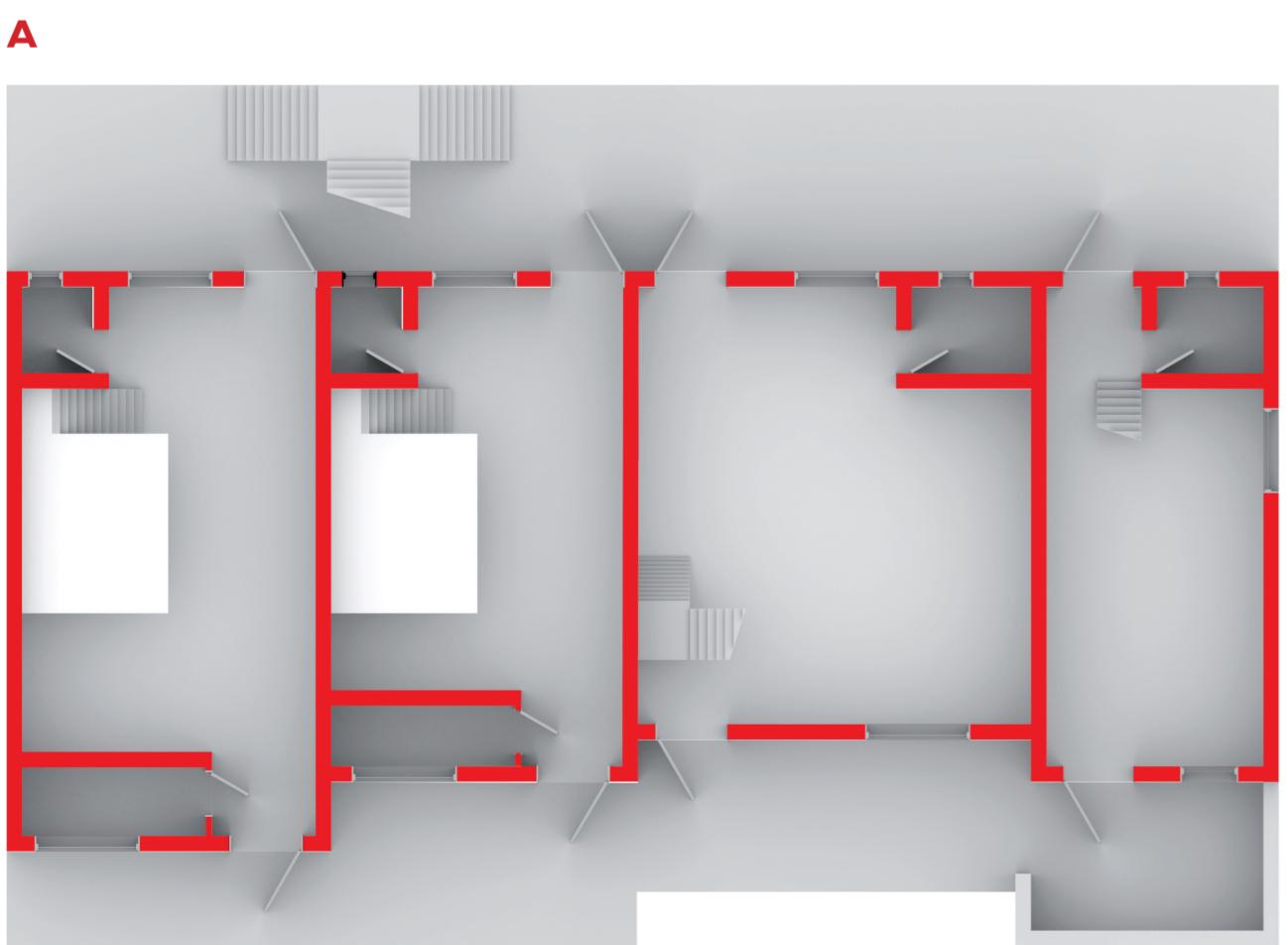
The building is meant to be a **guesthouse**, hence it was divided into mini apartments with separate entrances. Each apartment is **extended vertically**, either with a loft or an attic. There is a total of **six mini flats**, similar in size.



FRONT



BACK



THE INTERIORS

The interiors are very simple and **minimal**, characterized by the presence of few meaningful furniture pieces.

The rooms are dominated by the color **white**, which contrasts with the black exterior walls and makes the spaces **bright and airy**.

Few items sport bold colors, such as the **red** table in one of the main rooms and the flowers in the bathrooms, adding a nice touch.



FLOORPLAN / third floor



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