



No newcomer to the Sydney City beauty scene, Kippo, a hair colour specialist and master of the custom cut, has taken the concept of hair salon to a higher level.

Its new flagship hair and makeup bar in Pitt Street is no short of an architectural gem.

Inspired from the historical archaeological finds of First Emperor Qin (Qin Shi Huang)'s tomb, this intimate and magical space was designed by Kippo's very own managing director, Philip Li, reflecting his desire for clients to embark on a journey of oriental history of opulence and imagination.

Crude stone walls represent the external walls of the tomb, where two terracotta warriors stand and await. 100 rivers of mercury inside the tomb are represented by the full length mirrors and ebony lacquered floors whilst the lights and the mother of pearl mosaic wall symbolise the pearls and gems-inlaid ceilings of the tomb.

Seated on the Ghost chair by Phillip Starcks, one consumes the sheer brilliance of the surrounding.



Through the mirrored royal gate and to the raw stone walled chambers, clients will bask in the luxuries experienced by the imperial concubines of the orientals - hair spas and massages in total relaxation. Behind the golden veil, is an area reserved only for the most privileged.

The VIP area, with all its splendour is the jewel of the salon. Designed to represent the final resting place of Emperor Qin, the wall is hand tiled with 24 carat pure gold tiles, glimmering above the red granite floor.

Wall sized mirror extends the room beyond its realm and into a surreal world where the client experiences indulgence away from prying eyes and in total comfort.

Offering just the right dose of Chinoiserie, Kippo's new flagship hair and makeup bar is set to enchant even the most discerning individual.

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