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***New Addition***

A striking contemporary extension to this London Georgian townhouse provides space for an open plan kitchen diner at ground floor level with a basement media room below. A lightwell outside the kitchen drops additional light into this basement. Copper-coloured glass was specified to echo the shade of the original Georgian brickwork, with brick paving continuing the theme

# Copper & Glass

Monique and Iain Goalen's listed Georgian home has been sensitively restored and remodelled with a unique basement and kitchen extension built from glazing interlaid with copper mesh

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HOUSE COST: £400,000 (IN 1996) | BUILD COST: £520,000 | VALUE: £4MILLION

**W**hen Monique and Iain Goalen first saw the design for their radical new extension they admit they felt somewhat uncertain. "We told our architect, Shahriar Nasser of Belsize Architects, that we didn't really want a brick structure or a standard glass box," explains Monique. "His solution was to specify materials which mimic the colour of the original Georgian brickwork, including copper-tinted glazing. Nobody had ever done this before on a house in the UK, so it was hard to visualise, but we trusted him completely and are totally happy with the end result."

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Belsize Architects have remodelled and extended the Goalens' Georgian terraced house in the heart of Hampstead, designing a glazed extension which contrasts powerfully with the original Grade II listed 18th century house. There is a planted roof to the rear, a modern kitchen and a high-spec cinema room below. At the bottom of the garden sits a new, highly insulated summerhouse pavilion which has also been designed using copper-coloured materials.

"We moved here 17 years ago, before we had the children, and loved the fact that the house had a large rear garden and off-street parking," says Monique, a lawyer. "It's a beautiful early Georgian building with a ▶

