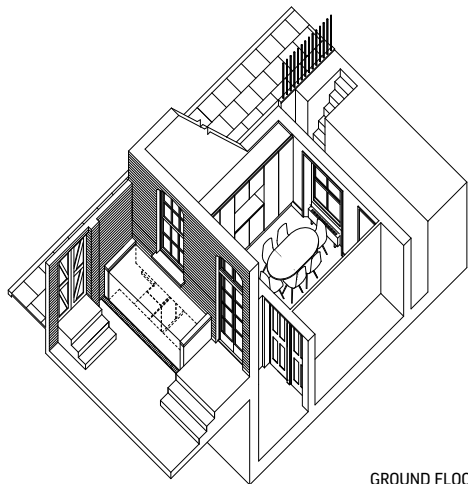


**HOME INTERIOR  
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## CHARLIE, MARK & ORLANDO'S BASEMENT – ISLINGTON HOME DESIGN

**A remodelled basement to create a family kitchen/ dining area in an early Victorian terraced house in the Barnsbury Conservation Area for a couple and their baby son.**

The client's budget precluded the addition of an extension or excavation of the gardens; however, the basement's existing nib walls and downstand beams were demolished to allow uninterrupted floor, walls, and ceiling, maximising the space. A frameless double-glazed box was added above the original lightwell. Inspired by a mirror below a window to a courtyard in the basement of the Sir John Soane's Museum, a polished stainless steel mirror was added below the glazed box. This mirror can be either pushed in against the wall to provide a virtual window in an otherwise blank elevation, or pulled out to reflect natural light.



GROUND FLOOR



COMPLETED: **OCTOBER 2012** PROJECT COST: **£76,492.63** ARCHITECT: **ZMINKOWSKA DE BOISE ARCHITECTS**  
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