



A 90s Italy Haven in the Heart of Montreal

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Located in the heart of Montreal, this layered, geometric café bar brings Italian coffee culture to North America. Inspired by the 1990s, the design reflects the owner's appreciation for Italy during that period, blending patterns, materials, colors, and vintage ephemera for a yummy effect. Faux-wood plastic laminate panels on the walls balance black-and-white-checkered mosaic floors, and colorful graphic patterns on tabletops alongside the establishment's dominant turquoise color scheme, which includes a wavy tiered element on the backlit ceiling. Curved mirrors on a wall, separated by concrete columns, reflect the image of a black terrazzo bar positioned across the room, adding

depth and visual intrigue to the space. Above, a large shelf stocked with products serves as its backsplash, and on a nearby orange beam, signs, which can be adjusted depending on the time of day, indicate where to pay and order. Elsewhere, two symmetrical, tan leather banquettes are divided by a planter and flanked by hanging pendants fashioned from yellow telephone cords. Throughout the space, vintage items, including photos of '90s supermodels and Italian soccer stars, books, toys, and stickers, adorn walls and shelves. In the bathroom, this tribute to the 20th century's final decade reaches its hidden pinnacle by framing a mirror with Rubik's Cubes.