

# Karbala International Airport

MIXED USE

Karbala, Iraq

## CLIENT

Manhal Habbobi Consultants (MHC)

## PROJECT

Interior Design

Ground Floor: check in area, ticket counters, security screening, offices & staff rooms, swing lounge, primary lounge, vip lounge, domestic and international lounges, baggage claim hall, food & beverage corners, duty free shops, passport control, prayers room, medical center, smoking rooms, public bathrooms.

Mezzanine Floor: Data center, duty free, reception hall, vip lounge, ablution room, prayers room, public bathrooms, staff rooms, panoramic terrace.

## SITE AREA/BUILT UP AREA

12.500 sqm

## DATE

2021 - ongoing

The dynamic shapes of the International Airport of Karbalaby architecture reflect in the interior design to create **a continuum between indoor and outdoor**.

Following the client's requirements, Studio Marco Piva has studied a layout that distributes, on the two levels of the terminal, the areas set up for various functions of the many kinds of passengers, creating paths and atmospheres that separate, and order, the flows.

**History relives in the interiors:** in the panels inspired by the Karbala map, in the soft shapes that recall the movement of the Iraqi flag, in sinuosity of Arabic calligraphy, and in the colors of some fabrics and flooring that allude to the colors of the territory morphology. These elements have been reinterpreted and mixed with contemporary materials and technologies, **bringing tradition to be the protagonist of the future**.

A cosmopolitan place permeated by details of the unmistakable **Italian style**, yet with references anchored to the **millenary Arab tradition**, to welcome with efficiency, but also emotionality.



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