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This is quite the quirky space. Graphic artists' studio Nevertheless has given it a whimsical, playful, themed style. Their take is a Dada-esque mash-up; a collage of photographs and eccentric motifs is pasted up in the entrance hall, and corridors are decorated with prints of acrobatics and other circus acts. The primrose-yellow mansion in the hip Psirri neighbourhood is packed with restored features, including ornate frescoed ceilings and baroque floor tiles. Dorm rooms are back-to-basics, with wooden beds and school desks. A flash of personality comes from the apple-green, crayon-blue and apricot-coloured blankets. Gilt mirrors hang over subway tiles in the bathrooms. In the sitting room, flea-market chairs are placed around a square communal table. A wallpaper-pasting board, painted white, is set up for breakfast, the open kitchen serves pizzas and cocktails at night, and a screen pulls down for films. But the best is up top, with views of the illuminated Acropolis from the roof-terrace bar.

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