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Project type:
4-room HDB flat

Floor area:
900sqft

CLEAN AND COMPOSED DWELLING

Long volumes and crisp white walls express this couple's love for minimalism and clean lines in this HDB flat.

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Fluid space

While the tight space of the kitchen and dining area proved to be a challenge, it was a task gladly taken on by Right Angle Studio. The wall between the two areas has been taken down to create an open and engaging space, where food preparation mingles cohesively with conversations of guests seated at the dining area. The once separated areas have been reimagined as a single module, bridged by a marble counter that encourages movement and mobility.



Sophisticated welcome

The homeowners wanted a home that would express simplicity and tranquillity through the use of long volumes and crisp, white walls. So at the entrance, the design intent seeks to bring the family into a tranquil spatial dimension through a full-height wooden portal. Upon stepping in, the attention is diverted to the living hall, which is focused on a thematic approach of continuous white walls and natural materials predominantly in marble and pale oak.



Custom touches

In the living area, the widescreen TV sits flush against the sunken false wall that cleverly hides unsightly cables for a clean look. Below, a marble feature wall adds a quiet drama to the living area and is softly illuminated with alcove lights. The understated feature also acts as a backdrop to the alluring low console fabricated under the studio's product division called RASPRO.

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Shelf life

The pale oak wood colour of the floor-to-ceiling bookshelf allows the couple, who are avid readers, to keep their books and personal items in a chic and organised manner. On the adjacent side, the built-in cupboard with swing doors allow them to hide personal belongings and keep the not-so-pretty items out of sight.



Window wonder

Employing a similar design strategy as the entrance, the studio transformed this regular window in the study into one that affords a desk space. By completely framing the window instead of building just a floating desk, the designers not only added interest to the space, but also made it a functional feature with recessed lighting to boot.

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While trying not to look too clinical, the home's many features were catered to afford communal dining, or just to cosy up for a nice home-made meal. The designers were given carte blanche to embellish the couple's space in a manner that adhered to their theme and lifestyle preferences. The home now exudes warmth and tranquillity – perfect for the couple to return home after a frenetic day at the office.



Tasteful contrast

(Top) The dark wood headboard with its various switches and charging ports located on both sides of the bed contrasts beautifully with the pale oak-coloured floor-to-ceiling wardrobe doors. The alcove lights just above the upper rim of the wardrobe and headboard are a thoughtful detail that provides soft illumination to the master bedroom.



Hotel-like touch

(Above) This chic and sophisticated bathroom to perk up cleansing rituals in the morning is a must for the couple. To ensure a consistent design language throughout the home, the vanity counter was constructed out of marble and further extends upwards for a luxurious line that terminates borders gracefully. The serene composition is further enhanced with soft lighting.



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