



Dwellings of Distinction

AN UNPARALLELED EXPERTISE IN INTERIOR DESIGN, PLACES TDC & ASSOCIATES AHEAD OF THE GAME IN THE WORLD OF INTERIOR DECORATING



FOR MORE THAN TWO DECADES, TDC & ASSOCIATES has established itself as the go-to interior design company for creating beautiful and distinctive homes. Since its inception in 1993, the company has built an outstanding portfolio of projects including bungalows, penthouses, spas and showflats.

The company's ethos is simple: Firstly, the team, led by principal designer Chan, listens to their clients to understand what they truly desire in a home. Then, the team works with each client – while sharing their bold creativity, technical know-how, and knowledge of the latest trends in home design – to create perfect living spaces to suit the individual.

Reflecting its exceptional flair in this field, TDC & Associates – which has provided its designing expertise to both local and regional clients – has won several awards over the years. These include the Asia Pacific Residential Property Award for Best Interior Design Singapore in 2009, 2010 and 2012.

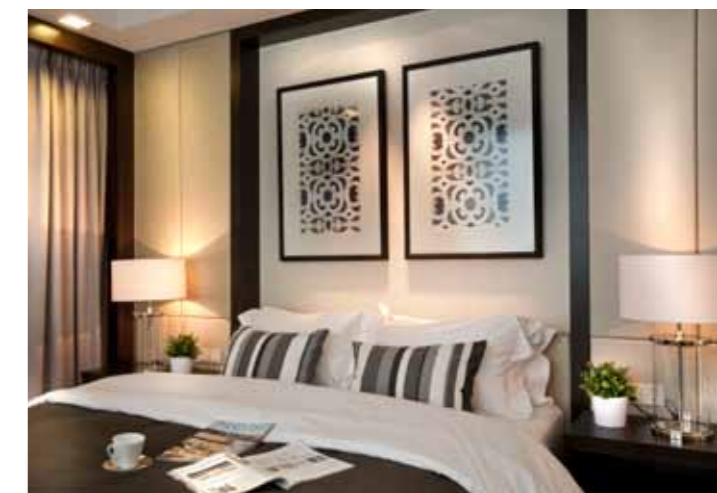
Penthouse Perfection

This penthouse apartment located in the Orange Grove area demonstrates the company's ability to transform a space even when faced with certain restrictions. Having consulted a geomancer, the homeowners had certain requirements: For instance, the team could not put in place any tall structures to divide the living and dining rooms. Also, all light fittings had to come in odd numbers.

The designers worked around these restrictions, among others, to achieve the home that the homeowners – a couple with a young child – wanted: "A place which was cosier and more comfortable, with more storage space," says Chan.

Getting Cosy

The team focused on a few key approaches to overhauling the apartment, a long and narrow space with a stark, mostly white interior. These included adding plenty of textures, replacing the austere colours with a warmer palette, and establishing focal points throughout the home to ensure details would not get lost. As the canvas for the home, the walls were refurbished to set the tone for the space. To add interesting detail and texture, the walls and pillars were covered with specially constructed timber wall



panelling painted in a customised soft greyish-green hue.

While several pieces of the owner's furniture were retained, the team also sourced for new furnishings which would transform the home while giving the homeowners more storage space. In the dining area, a low console increases the amount of storage space while framing the living area. Similarly, large custom-made carpets in warm beige "help to define the areas and to create a softer and warmer ambience," says Chan.

Detailed Focus

The dining area was also given a character of its own. An oversized pendant lamp creates a statement while allowing Chan and his team to make do with having just one main overhanging light source. Here, a fabric-covered wall panel was built, creating a striking backdrop for the dining area as well as specially sourced artworks.

Walls also play a central role in the reworking of the master bedroom: Chan and his team reworked the entire wall behind the bed, creating hidden storage spaces as well as a recessed space clad with a wooden frame.

With its unrelenting attention to the finest details, and the ability to create or source customised furnishings, TDC & Associates ably demonstrates how the starkest living space can be transformed into one which is chic and comfy in equal measure.