



RENOVATION AND DECORATION TRENDS IN POST-COVID ERA

It's been two years since the Covid phenomenon made its way into our homes. People have had to adjust to their new lives and continue looking for new ways to share space with their families.

As the COVID-19 issue has resulted in increased time spent indoors and varied restrictions, recent interior design trends have been influenced by owners' desires to be more connected to nature, maintain the authenticity of their home and expand their personal space.

➔ Biophilic Design



Credit: @lisa_dawson

Biophilic design is a practice that addresses an instinctive need for nature by incorporating natural materials and processes into the building design. Thus, the essential objective of biophilic design is to provide an ideal environment for humans as biological beings living in contemporary buildings and landscapes. By introducing components of biophilic design such as natural materials, natural light, or greenery, you may increase your well-being and positively impact your daily life. For example, a biophilic design element is considered the use of glass doors and ceiling glazing, which are not only perfect for giving light to rather dark interiors but also create a feeling of spaciousness to more compact dwellings.

Furthermore, adding plants to indoor areas provides therapeutic value, aids in anxiety reduction, improves the air quality via a biological filtering mechanism, and makes breathing simpler. As more individuals work from home, plants can be a natural option for employees' performance, as plants improve concentration, inspiration and cognition. According to Pinterest, this year will witness a growth in greenery ideas as the biophilic design is a solution to enhance our relationship with the environment and improve our overall wellness.

➔ Preservation of home's original elements



Credit: @nwobirdsfurnitureinc

According to Houzz's research, one of the primary features of renovated homes is their age, with 23% of them built before 1901. Many owners of older homes desire to modernise their area while retaining certain traditional aspects. For example, a sensitive aspect of old house renovation is the wood beam ceiling with rustic character. While some of the beams are technically good, others are in such poor condition that may be repurposed for aesthetic purposes.

Opening up a compartmentalised plan is a frequent modification in the renovation process of old homes. However, caution is urged, as eliminating walls without the guidance of a competent design team comprised of an architect/interior designer and a structural engineer can result in an inefficient arrangement or it may even jeopardise the home's structural stability.

➔ Garden room



Credit: @smarmodular

A well-designed garden room is a novel alternative to standard home expansion options, providing more area for any purpose. If you need additional space for sports, relaxation or education, a garden room is an excellent answer. Even while working from home is growing increasingly popular, not everyone has the great privilege of a separate office room.

According to The Times, an additional building in the garden is at the head of the post-Covid wish list for a remote-working career. Never before has the demand for garden rooms been so high.

Having a garden workplace, which is becoming more prominent, has a multitude of advantages in terms of daily commute and office rental costs, and time-saving. Thus, putting money in a garden room can result in long-term personal benefit by avoiding waste of money and time. The cost of garden rooms varies significantly depending on the materials used and the extras added. Numerous companies sell the building and decorating services, though they are typically charged separately. Nevertheless, since many homeowners are on a budget, certain things can be done on their own.