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CONCRETE IDEAS

This HDB flat at Fernvale Road in Sengkang extols the raw elegance of sharp lines and RAW surfaces

The industrial-style interior has been a hot favourite in recent years. When done well, it can turn any standard cookie-cutter apartment into a unique home that's bursting with personality.

With that in mind, the owners of this four-room flat went in search of an interior design firm that is familiar with this particular style. They found interior design firm Artistroom, who stepped up to the plate with a fresh design concept for the 950sq ft flat.

BARE NECESSITIES

One of the first things the designers did was to give the floors a cement screed finish.

This provides a stark contrast against the white walls.

Storage units were built to complement the TV wall, while track lights keep the room well illuminated. To lend a spacious feel, everything was streamlined and used sparingly, including the minimal furniture additions.

The all-white look was chosen for the kitchen, but the minor details separate the space from sleek, contemporary kitchens. The most prominent of which is the choice of white mosaic tiles, which are larger than typical mosaic tile formats.

The dark grouting helps to accentuate the grid lines on the walls and further alludes to the industrial look of the apartment. This well-designed space also provides a place for everything, including wall-mounted racks for various kitchen tools.

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SEPARATE ISSUES

Three bedrooms are plenty for a household of two, and with the extra space, they were able to accommodate more room for the wardrobe and the study. Leaving the master bedroom relatively simple with only the bed and a vanity table, Artistroom converted an adjacent bedroom into a walk-in wardrobe.

The walk-in wardrobe is a neat and organised space with racks, shelves and drawers lined along two opposite walls. Sunlight enters the space through large windows, thus bringing light to the dark finishes in the space.

The Artistroom designers turned the other bedroom into a study. They also fitted the room with a wardrobe, so the room can be repurposed in the future without need for additional renovation.

CLEAN LINES

The master bathroom sees dramatic changes, with the layout reworked and all of the finishes replaced. Now, it sports clearly demarcated spaces.

Aside from the enclosed shower, which helps to keep the rest of the bathroom dry, there

are the tucked away water closet and long vanity.

With this apartment, Artistroom demonstrates its savvy approach to space planning and interior fittings to create a liveable and loft-like space within the strict confines of a four-room HDB flat.

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Smart space savers

Here is our pick of furniture and accessories that can solve your small-space woes



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