

I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart. Psalm 9:1

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of reviving traditional artistry and the beauty that well-crafted pieces bring to our lives. In a world where digital technology and virtual reality are ubiquitous, one-of-a-kind objects allow us to slow down and appreciate the finer things—and, anything handcrafted is an ultimate feast for all senses.

With our lifestyles being rather stressful and chaotic, more so at work, this will not only provide warmth to spaces, but will improve mental health and help you remain calm and relaxed. Bring the beauty of the outdoors indoors by adding natural elements to the interior spaces. Several ecological elements can be incorporated in to the decor scheme to turn the home into a cozy refuge.

Bespoke furniture is tailored to our home's size, style, color, shape, texture, fabric, material and much more. Built on given specs to last a lifetime, quality handmade furniture gives your home a deep sense of authenticity, warmth and character. The size of the room should be the first consideration; the size and the color of the furniture play an important role in making the room look spacious. Whatever natural light the room gets should be channelized and put to the best possible use. This entire experience of creating a natural habitat can be brought about by choosing furniture wisely. It is essential to pick up pieces that are finished in their natural character. The wood must be treated in a way that its natural grain is highlighted to perfection. The bed which is the central piece of the bedroom sets the mood; a raw wood bed from Knock on wood's forest collection is a perfect example. A raw wood bench like the Ketch and a log lamp wood compliment the ambience.

Bespoke furniture is a personalized expression of a client's needs and a craftsman's skill. Design realization depends on the choice of material and one of the prime materials in this kind of furniture

design is wood. While there is no limit to the choices available in the market, hard wood has a charm of its own. Cut and join, bend, mould, chiseled or carve, versatility of wood is unmatched. We have access to such a large variety of woods. Till date, we work with few like the teak, sheesham, Wenger, oak, pine, ash, cedar, beeches, walnut, fruit woods, etc. etc. One just needs to know what colour and grain the design demands and as they say rest is history.

The décor can be further accentuated by keeping the walls neutral (in a palette of greys, creams and whites). The combination of such elegant colors with wooden elements proves ideal to create a warm setting. One can be experimental in terms of flooring and opt for brick tiling or choose light wooden flooring to help dark wood furniture remain the focal point in the room. In order to enhance the marriage of the indoor and outdoor spaces, mood lighting must be incorporated.

A few simple additions to the existing decor can also augment the aesthetic:

- **Adding mirrors to walls-** Mirrors reflect the ambience around them and are perfect way to dress up walls. Large

mirror panels not only open up spaces they brighten them as well. Reflecting light and colour mirrors magnify everything.

- **Wall Murals** – A great way to do up the walls is wall murals, in wood or any other material. The murals add texture to the wall.
- **Tables** – adding an entrance table to your foyer, makes the house look more welcoming, while elegantly demarcating the entrance space. An arrangement of flowers or candles or just coloured bottles on top enhances the celebratory aesthetic.
- **Lights** – the brighter, the better and sometimes less becomes more, to enable mood lighting. Chandeliers add glamour and cheer to a room. Adding a mood light to a corner of your living room creates drama and livens up an otherwise dead corner.

The aforementioned tips will help you interact with the outside while remaining indoors. As global sensibilities fuse with ancient Indian traditions, there is a unique opportunity to visualize and demand timeless and innovative pieces of furniture for your home. As writer William Morris put it, *“Have nothing in your home that you do not know to be useful or believe to be beautiful.”*



REDESIGN YOUR LIFE

By Aarti Aggarwal



The market is cluttered with poorly made and mass reproduced furniture with little character-furniture that has no heart or soul. It is built to satisfy consumers' desire for something new, exciting and trendy. And hence has no longevity in terms of quality and style. Buying off the shelf is a possibility, now more so with online portals. But there are too many stores carrying the same, run-of-the-mill items. But have you had the feeling that you are compromising? Settling for something that you don't really like? This makes a solid case for bespoke furniture.

The growing popularity of bespoke contemporary and modern furniture pieces has led to an evolution in the demands of the furniture and the furnishings industry. Furniture is an expression of individuality while serving functional requirements and often, a distinct furniture piece or a set of these defines personal style,

which is becoming more and more important today. Thus, it's no surprise that the industry is experiencing a tremendous growth coupled with experimentation.

A piece of furniture represents various connotations today; while for some it's art, and for others, it is only utilitarian, furniture also is one of those crucial elements that sets the tone for interior aesthetic,

be it indoors or outdoors. Whether it is defining trends, or addressing spatial and functional requirements, the trend in furniture is ever-changing.

Customized furniture reveals an attention to detail and an understanding of the client's needs that large scale manufacturing cannot match. Talented furniture makers remind us of the importance

