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Project type:  
4-bedroom executive  
condominium unit

Floor area: 1,087sqft

## ELEGANCE IN MODERNITY

In juggling the demands of daily life, the home becomes a much-needed space of comfort and rest. But for the owners of this apartment, style is just as vital. They left much of the design concept to Design of Schatz, and were welcomed into a modern home decked out in a warm colour palette and finished with a luxe sheen.

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### Driven by sophistication

Not only does this home exude a sense of modern luxury, it also bears practical features. "One of the things the homeowners wanted was a storage and display area in the living room," says Project Director Jason Er of Design of Schatz. Keeping in mind the couple's young children, Jason also aimed to minimise clutter. The space posed a challenge, however, as there was limited room in the living and dining areas. To meet their brief, he has created a storage and display unit that also houses the TV and entertainment paraphernalia.



### Gatsby style

Jason set the dining space behind the living area. Here, he installed a wall of tinted mirror panels interspersed with grey mirror strips. The combination visually enhances the sense of space while evoking a cosy ambience. Fabric and wood, the materials chosen for the furniture, soften the polished surfaces of the feature wall and elaborate chandelier overhead. Mid-backed chairs were also a chosen to balance out the oversized lighting fixture.





#### Out in the open

The living area opens up to a spacious balcony, which Json designated as a corner for relaxation. The intention was to keep it sparse, so he furnished it simply with all-weather furniture and timber decking underfoot. He took care to keep the colour palette here consistent with the rest of the home for a sense of harmony and unity.



#### Boys will be boys

(Above, left and right) The bedrooms were small, but Json found ways to work around the space constraints. "For the couple's two sons, we designed bunk beds with storage," he explains. The transformation includes niches at the foot of the beds for the boys' personal belongings. He also incorporated drawers beneath the lower bed. The spare bedroom was then converted into a study. This time, he picked out lighter shades of blue and grey for the customised furnishings.



#### Shades of grey

Dark grey painted walls transform the master bedroom into a restful cocoon-like space. To add visual texture, Json used stone-look laminates and tinted mirror strips on the TV feature wall. Similar to the rest of the home, he worked with the existing layout to design the interior. Standout decor items like the sunburst mirrors embellish the space. The juxtaposition of mirror and metallic surfaces, along with the deep colour palette, is consistent with the look found throughout the rest of the home.

#### THE BRIEF

When the homeowners approached Design of Schatz, their brief consisted of practical requests. These included having plenty of storage throughout the home, and a display unit in the living area. With two school-going children and a helper, the home had to meet the demands of a growing family. That said, they did not have a style or concept in mind and opted to leave it to designer Json Er to propose.

Space is limited in this four-bedroom apartment, but Json has managed to design a home that is both cosy and spacious by juxtaposing colours and finishes. Intricate decor and custom furnishings in matt, metallic and mirror finishes elevate the modern furniture and sensuous colours. Upon completion, the home bears a sophisticated yet relaxed ambience that is well suited to a young family.

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