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Lighting is often the unsung hero of interior design, holding the power to completely transform a space. The right light can set the mood, highlight architectural features, and bring a room to life. With its ethereal glow and striking aesthetic, *Capsula* by Brokis takes lighting design to a whole new level, combining transparency, light, and colour to create a mesmerising atmosphere. Designed by Lucie Koldova and unveiled by Innovative Design Studio, *Capsula*'s sculptural presence transcends mere functionality to become a statement piece in any space.

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inspiration from the organic structure of plant cells, capturing the harmony and depth of nature's most intricate formations. "The *Capsula* collection is inspired by the layered structure of plant cells. The interplay of two elliptical glass forms encapsulating a tubular LED light source mimics the delicate, yet dynamic composition found in nature," says Aryaman Jain of Innovative Design Studio. This design concept results in a light fixture that feels weightless yet sculptural, with the light appearing suspended within layers of glass, creating an illusion of depth.



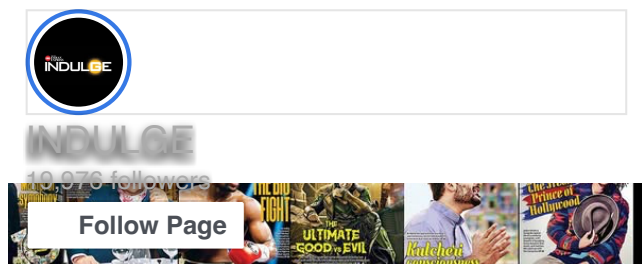
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What sets *Capsula* apart is its unique combination of traditional craftsmanship and advanced technology. Handcrafted using Bohemian glassblowing techniques, each piece is meticulously created by skilled artisans, showcasing Brokis' commitment to artisanal excellence. "*Capsula* embodies the perfect balance of old-world craftsmanship and cutting-edge LED technology," explains Aryaman. "The soft diffusion of light, combined with the transparent and translucent qualities of the glass, enhances the spatial perception of any room."

### Aesthetic flexibility

The versatility of the *Capsula* collection makes it a perfect fit for both residential and commercial spaces. Whether displayed individually as a pendant light or arranged in

dynamic clusters, *Capsula* adapts seamlessly to various environments. In residential interiors, it becomes a refined focal point in living rooms, dining areas, or bedrooms, while in commercial spaces, its contemporary, nature-inspired form adds an organic touch to hospitality, retail, or corporate settings. “The collection’s ability to blend into both intimate and expansive spaces speaks to its aesthetic flexibility,” adds Aryaman.

Equally important is the collection’s range of colour options, which further enhances its adaptability. From soft neutral hues to bold, striking tones, *Capsula*’s outer glass shell can be customised to create the perfect ambiance. The interplay of colours—such as warm amber or cool smoky shades—allows designers to evoke a variety of moods, from cozy and inviting to sleek and

modern.

Each light fixture is a testament to the highest standards of design integrity, combining artisanal skill with modern technology to create a timeless lighting solution for any space.

“*Capsula* is a work of art that elevates the atmosphere of any room, offering an experiential and transformative lighting experience,” adds Aryaman.

*Price on request. Available online.*

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# A home designed for your pets

*Here are a few aspects to keep in mind while making space for your four-legged friends*



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Most families, today, cannot imagine living without their pets, they are the most cherished member of the family. Though pets bring us immense happiness and add a sense of tranquillity to our days, you don't want them to take over your interiors while also wanting them to live their best life. Designing a pet-friendly yet stylish and aesthetic home is tricky, but there is nothing impossible with Design Story! Here are a few areas you need to focus on to get this space right!

### Free-flowing layout

All pets have their natural movements, and a free-flowing layout ensures they can enjoy the space just as much. Furniture strategically placed and a clutter-free space ensure unrestricted movement, allowing their movement to be comfortable. This is crucial for them to play and relax without difficulties.



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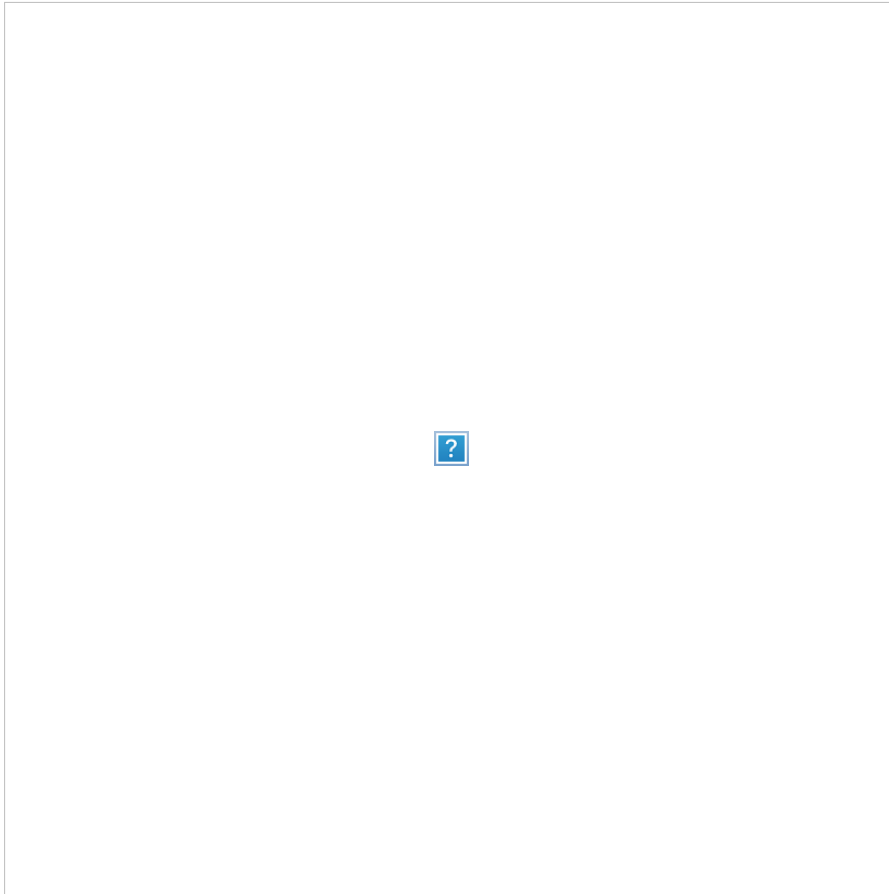
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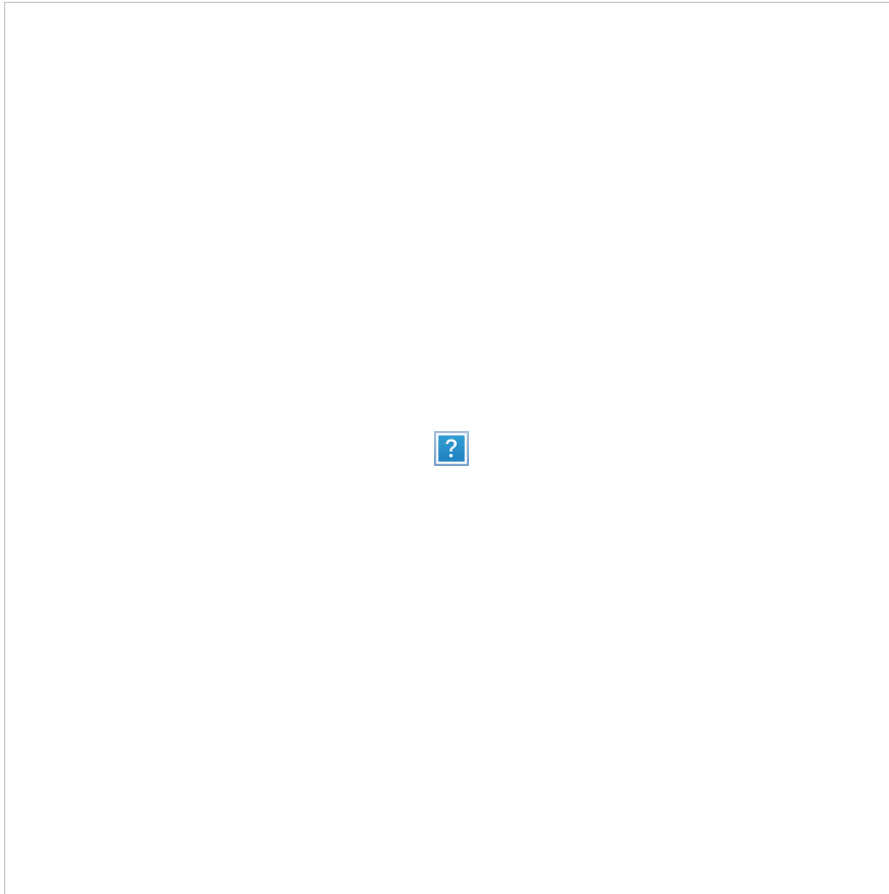


## Private space

Pets, like any other member of the family, enjoy time to themselves. Designing their spaces well will make them live their best life, and that's the absolute least a pet-parent can do. Corners of the house that are usually underutilised, like space below the staircase, can make for a good pet house. Keeping them within view also helps to keep an eye on them while they have time alone, too. Dedicated wash areas, meal areas in the kitchen can be elegantly used to cohesively uplift the overall aesthetics.

## Flooring

Hardwood floors are the most preferred option to enhance the visual look of a space. However, they aren't suitable for homes with pets as they aren't scratch- and water-resistant. Ceramic tiles, on the other hand, are stain-resistant, scratch- and water-resistant, making them the most durable pick for pet-friendly homes. There is a large variety of options to choose from for these, making it suitable for all spaces, including living rooms and kitchens.



## Less and heavy décor items

Placing heavier and fewer décor pieces throughout the house keeps pets from dropping and breaking them while playing. Metal and stone accents are alternative material options for décor instead of glass and ceramic, giving the pet uninterrupted playtime and the parent breakage-free styling. Restricting the number of décor items is a game-changer.

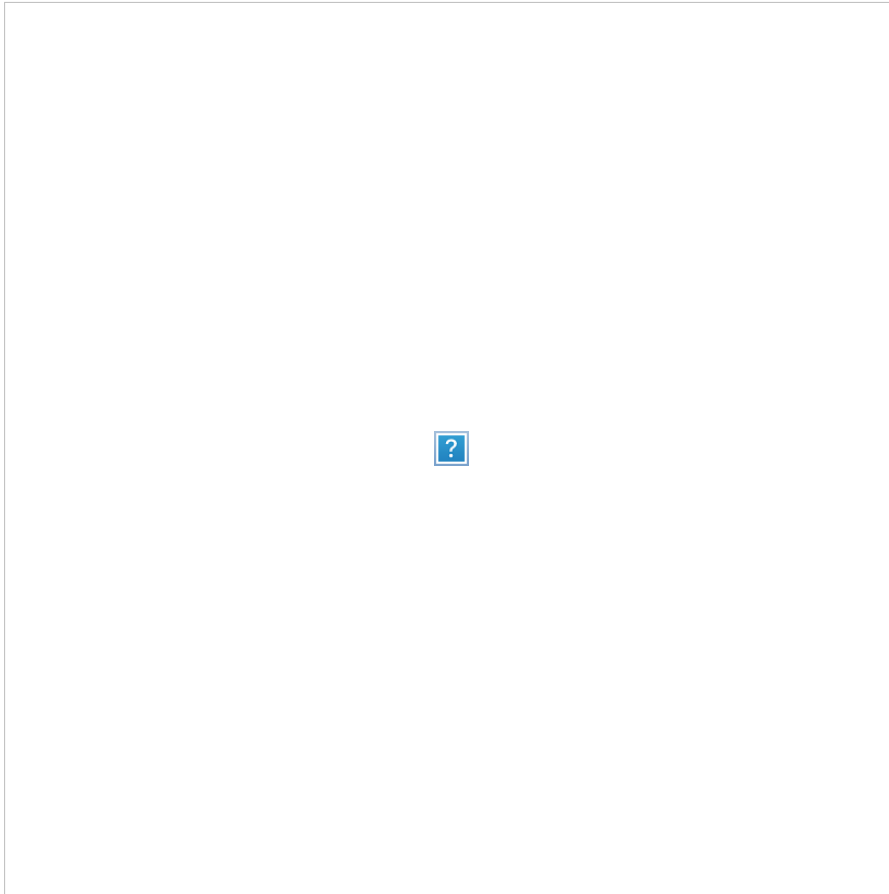
## Fabrics

For spaces shared with pets, the choice of fabric is really important. Their durability and stain

resistance will keep you at bay, rather than having to worry about paw marks on the fabrics. Choose easy-to-clean fabrics like microfiber and micro-suede to cover your main pieces. With the growing percentage of families living with pets, the variability of such fabrics has drastically increased, too.



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## Toxic plants

Poisoning incidents in pets from plants are far from uncommon. Many plants are not safe for pets, and even the well-trained ones, at times, could sample a houseplant. For pet-friendly and tropical, lush interiors, plants like spider plant, bamboo, Chinese money plant, money tree, rattlesnake plant, and baby rubber plant are most suited. Aloe vera, baby's breath, and daffodils are a few of the most common unsafe options.

Pets are the life of a household. They give love unconditionally and don't judge you by your

achievements or flaws. The least we can do for them is give them a space that feels like home. Happy pet-parenting!

*This article is written by Neeta Jessani*

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In the world of luxury home décor, dining tables are no longer just functional pieces—they are statement works of art, designed to elevate both the aesthetic and atmosphere of any space. The latest trend in luxurious dining tables is the perfect fusion of classical artistry and modern sophistication, and no brand embodies this more than Rvvardé. With an unwavering dedication to excellence, Rvvardé is redefining luxury furniture, crafting exquisite dining tables that transcend trends and become enduring masterpieces in every home.

“At Rvvardé, we are guided by the concept of archaia eugeneia—ancient elegance. We blend classical artistry with contemporary sensibilities to create pieces that speak to those who appreciate timeless sophistication and unparalleled craftsmanship,” shares Roheena Nagpal, co-

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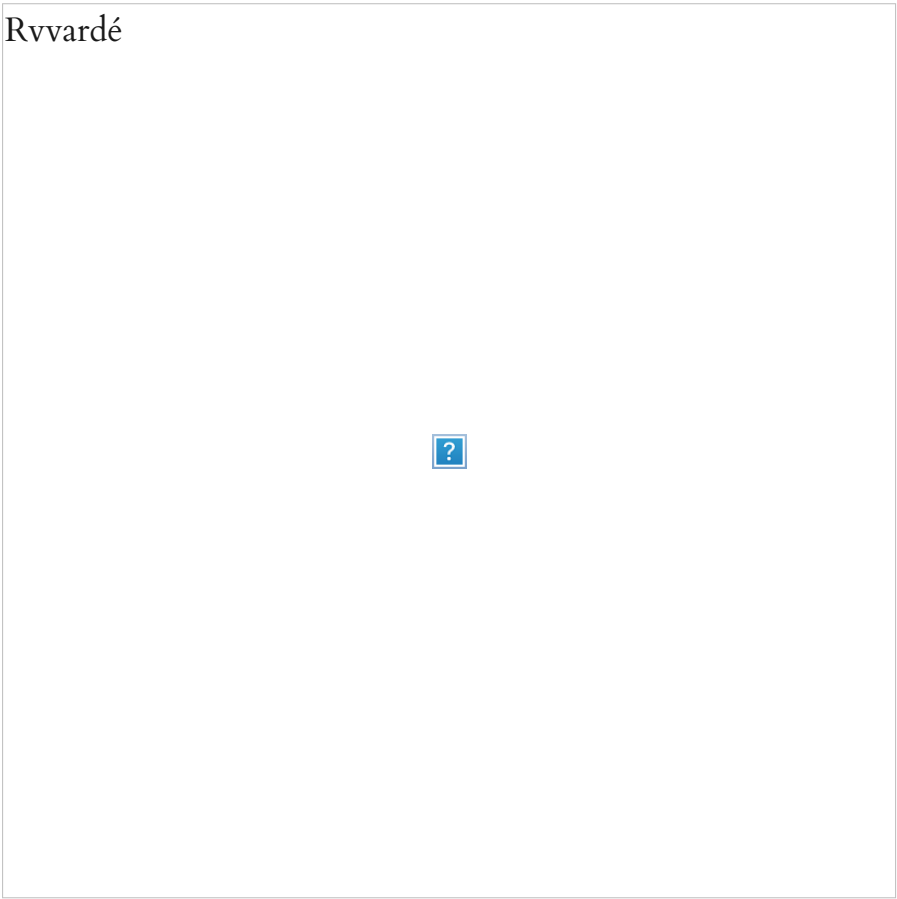
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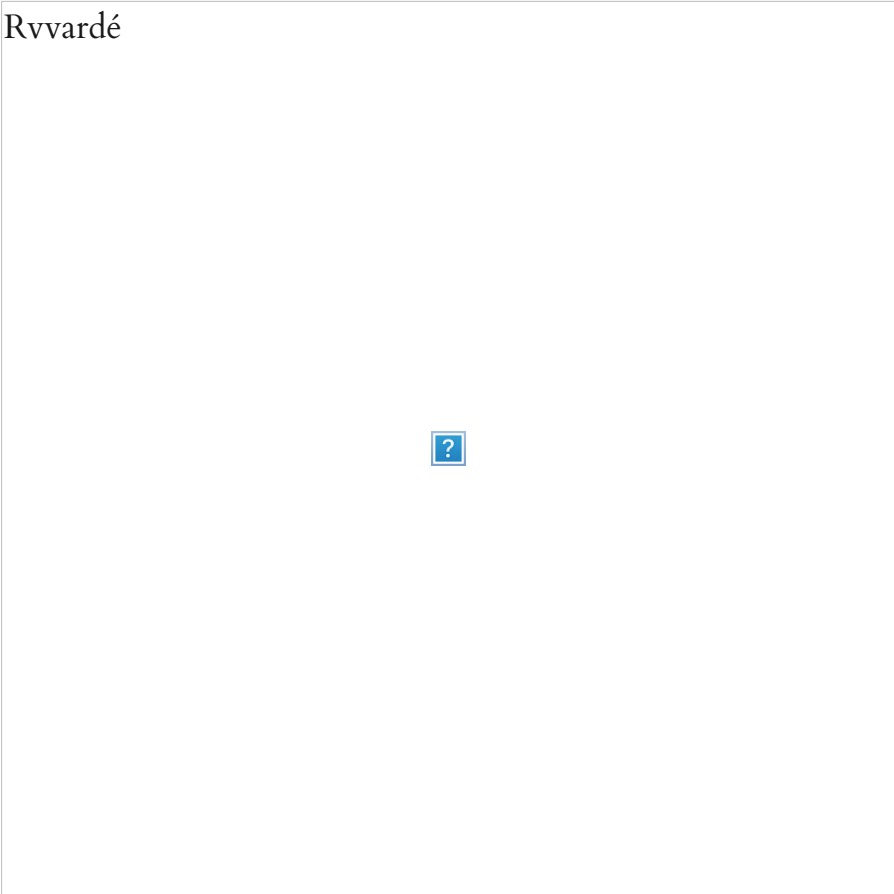
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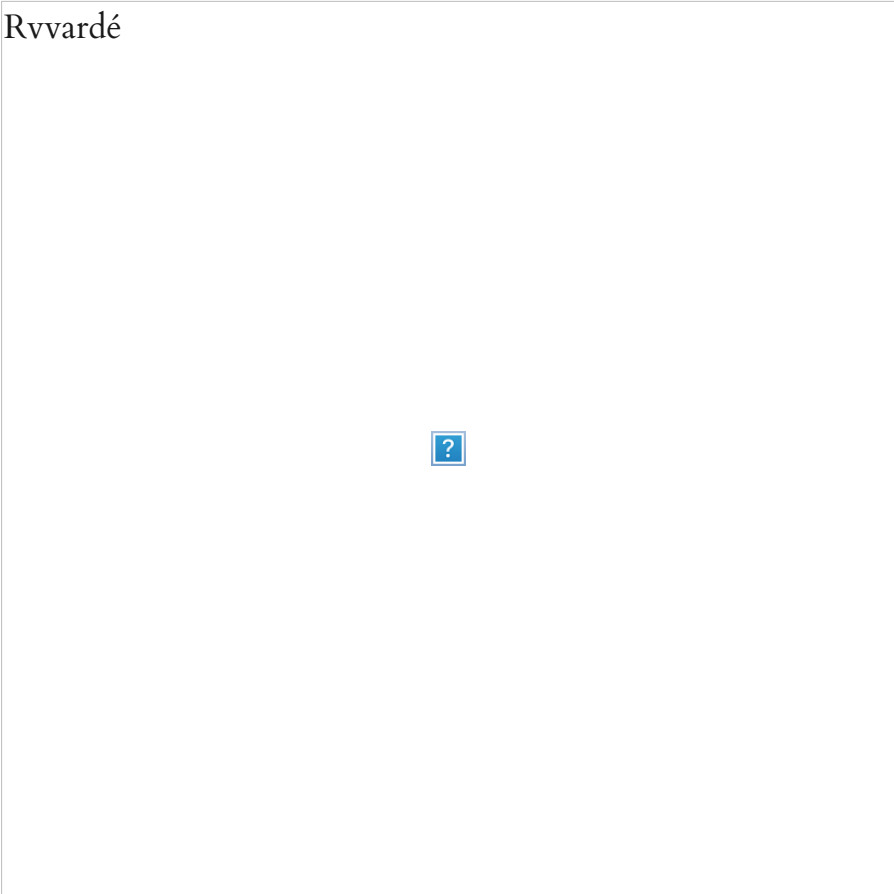
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founder and principal designer.









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Drawing on generations of expertise, master artisans combine traditional techniques with modern innovations, resulting in pieces that are both functional and sculptural. “Craftsmanship is the foundation of every Rvvardé creation. From hand-selected premium woods like oak to exotic leathers and rare metals, every material is chosen for its quality and aesthetic appeal,” says Roheena.

### **Minimalist designs**

The Arche Noir Dining Table is a standout piece in the collection, where glass and marble surfaces

meet sculptural, minimalist designs. The table can be customised with either a sleek glass top for a contemporary look or an opulent marble surface for those seeking a touch of grandeur.

“Customisation is key to our design ethos. It allows clients to tailor each piece to their personal style, ensuring every table feels like it was made just for them,” Roheena explains.

The brand’s design philosophy effortlessly blends classical proportions, symmetry, and refined detailing with modern design elements. A perfect example is the Eterna Flow Dining Table. Its sleek, unembellished silhouette echoes classical beauty, while its minimalist lines keep it firmly grounded in the modern world. Meanwhile, the Horizon Stride Dining Table incorporates bold bronze accents and stainless steel, creating a dynamic contrast with the traditional oak wood. These tables serve as the centerpiece of the room, setting the tone for gatherings and intimate dinners alike. “Our pieces are the anchor for experiences and conversations,” says Roheena.

For example, the Halo Dining Table offers an organic sense of serenity, perfect for warm, intimate settings, while the bold presence of the Arche Noir Dining Table makes it a striking feature in modern luxury interiors. “Our tables

are built to stand the test of time, both in design and quality,” adds Roheena.

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## Home is where the art is

*A work of art in your home can give it a distinctive touch and these suggestions by experts can help you display it well*





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An artwork on your home's wall is not just a showcase of your personal style but can also make for an interesting conversation starter. For those who are new to the game, following these rules will elevate your abode's style quotient.

## Personalised Picks

The first rule about picking art for your home is to ensure that it is something you truly like. To help you make a selection, gallerists Prateek and Priyanka Raja, who are directors at Experimenter, suggest, "The art in your personal collection and home could be a reflection of your life, a moment in your time, something that resonates with you. Pick accordingly."

## Size Matters

Another thing to keep in mind is the size of the

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artwork, as it can make or break the overall look of your room. Designer Shibani Dasgupta Jain, who is the founder and CEO of Baaya Design, says, “The size of the artwork should be determined primarily by the available wall space. Generally, art should be hung at eye level.”

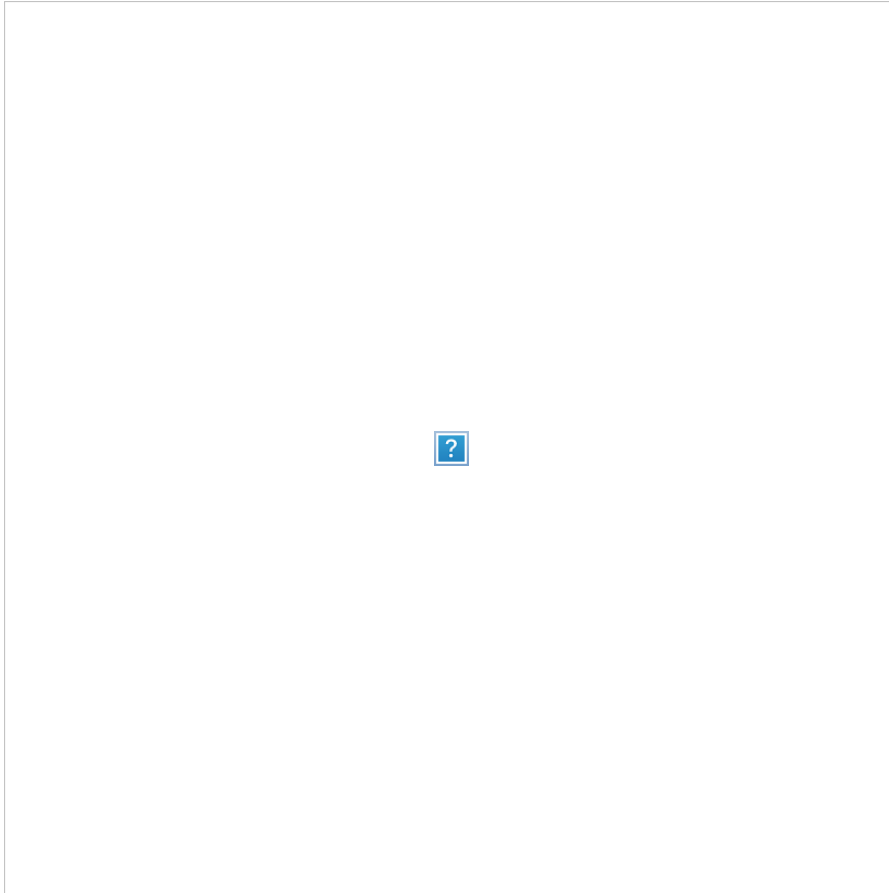


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## The Right Spot

Architect Meetu Akali, who is the founder of Studio Momo Architecture & Design, advises hanging it in rooms where you spend a lot of quiet time. “As a designer, I also love displaying

artwork in powder rooms and washrooms. Though unusual, these spaces are often a bit neglected,” she adds.

## Handle with Care

The final yet crucial step is to give it the required TLC. Jain recommends framing artworks with glass protection and dusting them with a dry cloth. For brass pieces, she suggests regular polishing with coconut oil to keep their shine and prevent tarnishing. Copper items can either be sealed with an epoxy coat to maintain their appearance or left untreated if you prefer the natural patina that develops over time.

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# Sway into nostalgia: These swings will evoke a feeling of warm comfort

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Picture this, it is a hot summer afternoon, the city has slowed down, you can smell fresh ripe mangoes while you sit on a swing with your grandmother and a gentle breeze blows, offering a respite from the heat. She tells you yet another



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story which you know you will not sit through as your eyelids are already heavy. The gentle breeze, swaying motion and her comforting arms cradle you into sleep.

A swinging motion still reminds us of this golden time, and wraps us in blanket of warmth. Pieces of Desire brings this nostalgia to the contemporary world with their newly launched swing sets. this unique piece of furniture can be found in most old houses across India. “Swings have been an integral part of our lives from playing in the park to unwinding with your grandparents at home,” says Nishita Kamdar, the founder.



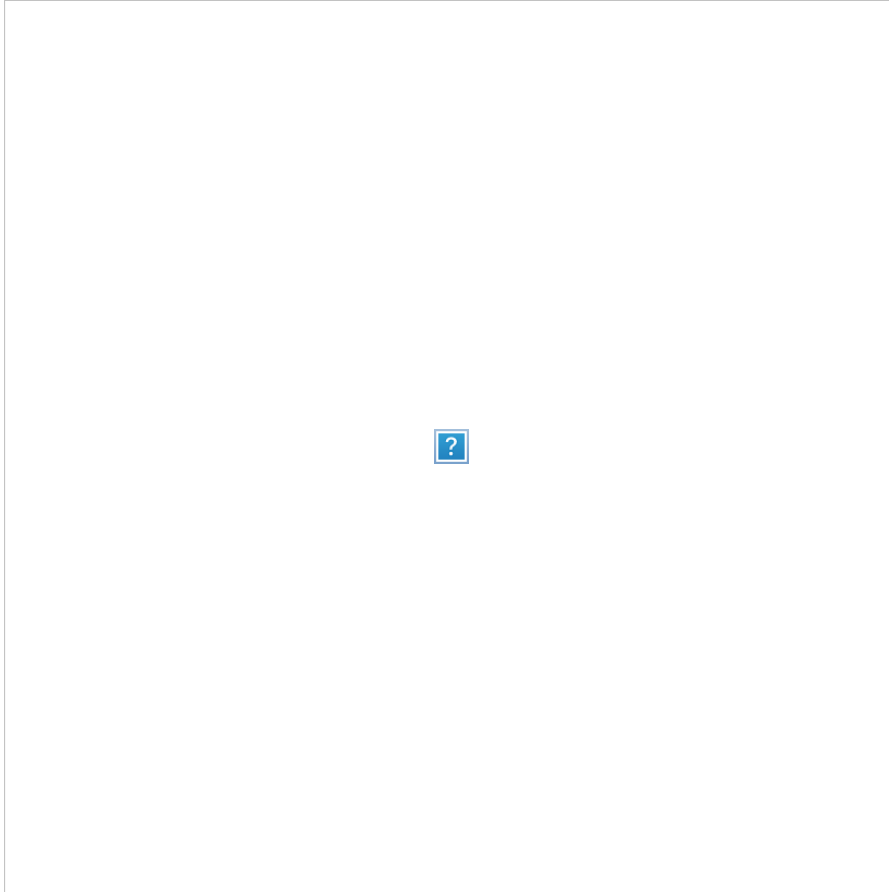
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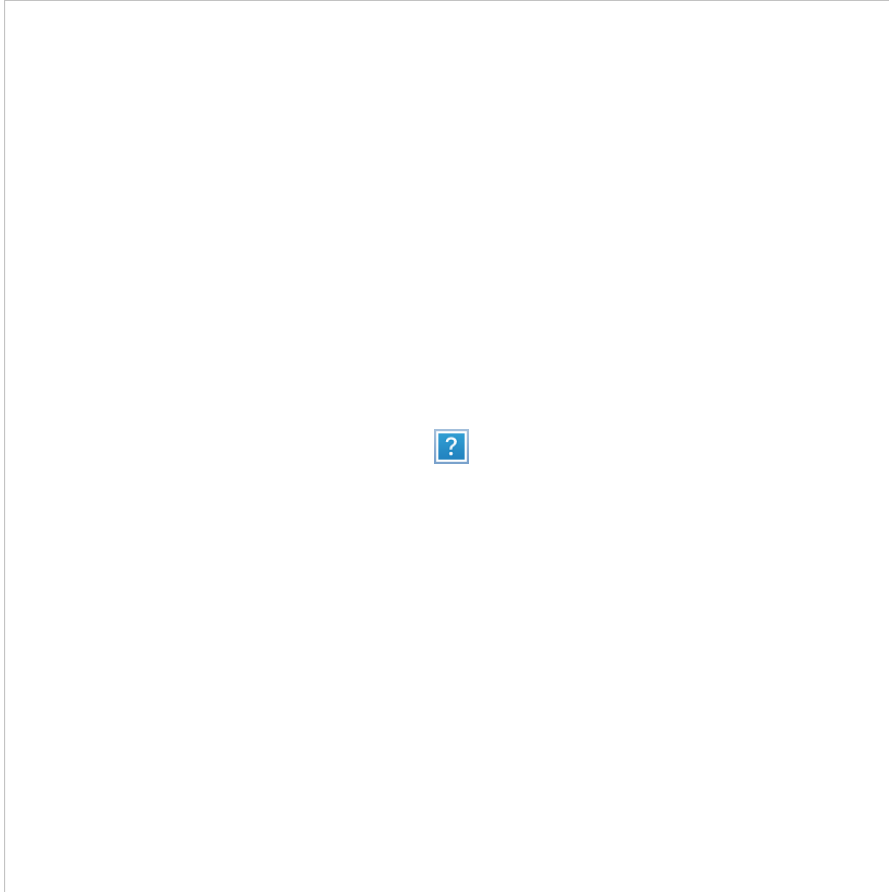


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While they adhere to the basic design template of a swing, small moments of everyday life and the impact of literature, music and art on people, inspire their designs. Each piece is bold and quirky, a reflection of our present day life. “Why should swings be the same old boring ones we have seen all these years? We want them to become beautiful sculptural pieces in one’s home — something that has stories of design, tailoring and craftsmanship,” Nishita says.



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Along with the bold ideas, the swings are designed to be ergonomically comfortable. Owing to the long hours people tend to spend on swings, they are made for an enjoyable and relaxing experience. The experimentation with form also came with playing around with different materials. reminiscing on her experience, Nishita shares that it was a thrilling experience to use a solid material in a fluid form.

These pieces are made for a perfect start or end to your day. Begin your mornings with a cup of tea, a newspaper and some gentle wake-up swings; or unwind after a long day with relaxing music playing in the background while you drift into a sleep with lullaby like motion.

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