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Ideas for a modern Bedroom Design

In the current climate, moving house isn't always an option, but change doesn't have to be so drastic, an interior redesign or even just changing one room can make a world of difference.

Breathing New Life into Your Bedroom

The bedroom is one of the best places to start when it comes to redesigning your décor; a fresh lick of paint, some new furniture, even something as simple as re-positioning your bed can make your bedroom feel completely different and rejuvenate your enthusiasm. There's a wealth of options available to you and so many different things to do that you might not have thought of:

Drastic Change - Open living and minimalistic design are a very modern design concept. You might like to try adopting some of these as part of your redesign when changing your bedroom. Think about the furniture and about how it can be reduced to increase space.

Ditching Extra Storage - Perhaps you can adopt under-bed storage space to hold some of your clothes and other items that you don't need ready access to and thereby free up room and allow you to get rid of unnecessary drawers, wardrobes or cabinets.

Let There Be Light - if you're a fan of the clean, modern and bright look, why not drop curtains and blinds altogether and allow all your natural light in. This idea works especially well if you have large windows that aren't overlooked and have a beautiful view of the natural world.

Downsize Your Bed - do you really need a huge bed? A larger bed can make the room feel cluttered and messy. Think about the space you really need and downsize your bed. Or you might want to go the other way. The bed is the focal point of the room and a big, grand bed can be attractive and support a peaceful slumber through the night time hours. Weigh up your options and think about what's more important to you.



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Simple Colours – the majority of modern bedroom designs make use of white space, light colours and mirrored finishes to maximise the natural light in the room. Give thought about how you can put this to use in your own bedroom. Perhaps redecorating with light colours could be enough to transform your bedroom on its own. Make some of these other changes at the same time and combine with other décor elements and you'll really create something special.

Contrast and Complement – with bright walls and plenty of light in your room, you might like to add elements to your bedroom design that will utterly contrast and make your décor really leap out. With three white walls, you could contrast with one plastered with black patterned wallpaper or use black drawers in white wardrobes and cabinets to make your furniture leap out.

Murals and Stencil Designs – with bare walls, modern designers and home interior enthusiasts have taken to using mural designs, stencil patterns, stickers and other things to create a unique and bespoke bedroom that stands out from the crowd. You might not feel artistic enough to draw, stencil and paint your own wall designs, but you can buy a range of simple stickers that can be easily applied to your walls to add such patterns to your redesign and make it stand out.

Dramatic Shades – you might have considered bright and light colours for your new bedroom design. Consider the other end of the spectrum with dramatic colours and drastic shades. Contrast greys and blacks with purples, blues and yellows. Use your bedding to contrast your walls, your furniture to contrast your bedding and your lighting to highlight it all.

Rethink Your Lighting – clever lighting can really make a difference in any room. Up-lighting, down-lighting, mood-lighting, reading lights, spotlights and much more is open to you in terms of lighting options and can make an amazing difference to your bedroom design. Think about the ways you can use it to highlight the favourite parts of your room or add a touch of class to certain elements of your design. Perhaps you can use lighting to highlight your favourite painting or photo-frame or LED lighting to surround a mirror or down lighting to make hunting for clothes more practical.



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Low Slung Furniture – A short bed without legs and furniture that's low to the ground is a great way of creating a contemporary bedroom design. This sort of furniture makes the room feel much taller than it actually is and creates the illusion of space and freedom which you might not have felt before.

A Golden Lining – thinking about something really different? How about some gold leaf wallpaper or wallpaper with a metallic shade? Something like this can make a wall leap out and really catch the eye.

Bare and Bold – alongside the minimalistic look is the bare 'neglected' design. With exposed wooden floorboards and visible brickwork, this bedroom design style is as aggressive as it is contemporary. Simple, yet rustic, it's a simple design that requires little maintenance or upkeep but is easily achieved. However, if you like your room warm and cosy it may not be the choice for you. Bedroom carpet deadens sound and helps keep the room warm. Similarly wallpaper will help with insulation from both. So the bare design isn't for everyone.

Four Poster – a four poster bed is a traditional addition to a modern design. Yet, there are plenty of four poster bed designs with a modern feel. Cast the traditional large wooden frames out of your mind and think of modern metal and simple designs that scream bold design.

Splash Out on a Headboard – spend some extra money on an upholstered headboard; one that's big and bold and fills your wall. Remember that your bed is the focal point of the room. A big, high-quality headboard will help to emphasise it and inspire the entire design of the rest of your room. Pick furniture to contrast and complement the headboard to help focus your entire design around the bed itself.

High-Gloss Furniture – we all know what a difference mirrors can make. But have you thought about high-gloss furniture. Glossy wardrobe doors and cupboard drawers reflect the room around them and create the illusion of extra space and a freedom of light that works wonders for any room.

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Fitted Furniture – if you're looking for real change then fitted bedroom furniture can really transform your room. Fitted wardrobes help improve your storage space without encroaching on your bedroom, they work well in small spaces, they handle sloping ceilings and awkward nooks and crannies and help create a modern design like no other.

Simple Additions & Changes

If you don't fancy the big bold changes, then there's plenty of opportunity for making subtle and simple additions to your bedroom or minor changes that will make all the difference.

Move Your Room Around – if you've taken the time to redecorate your bedroom then you might as well consider your location options. After all with anything else in life it's all about location, location, location. Simply moving your bedroom around can make a massive difference to the look and feel of your room. If your bed is under the window, try turning it around for light on your face first thing in the morning or face it the other way for a darker night's rest. Move wardrobes to the other end of the room and shift other storage around to enhance your space.

Bean Bags – it's nearly a cliché, but modern designs are made all the more comfortable with large bean bags. Drop one in the corner of the room and you've got somewhere to flop out and relax at the end of a hard day. Not a fan of bean bags? Comfortable chairs or recliners make an excellent alternative though they need more space.

Reading Corners – if your room boasts a nook or crevice, then you can add a small table, a lamp and a comfortable chair to creating a reading corner. Your bedroom is much more than somewhere to lay your head; you can use it as an escape as well.

Subtle Change – think small. Slight changes to wallpaper, new lamps, new curtains or even a mixture of these will help transform your bedroom without being too drastic.