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With *City Living*, make informed decisions on buying home products and get inspired on your home reno with our unique coverage of trending but relevant home topics.

Hello new nesters and current homeowners looking to upgrade your living space! The dawn of innovative living is upon us and the first issue of *City Living* covers exactly just that and a whole lot more. From choosing the right appliances to smart home solutions, this magazine aims to bring success to your renovation journey or home improvement endeavour.

Our biggest section, What's Cool, explores everything you need to know about air-conditioning systems. We get that buying a whole new system can be downright baffling especially with all the technical terms like BTUs and EERs, but our handy AC guide will straighten things out for you. We've also worked in tons of energy-saving tips and tried-and-tested fixes for air-con malfunctioning scenarios.

If you're looking to transform your home into a smart home but don't know where to start, our What's Smart section has all the answers. Be it getting a new smart TV or a smart home assistant, we have



compiled some of the latest home technologies to turn your sci-fi fantasies into reality.

We're just getting warmed up here with all these savvy home product shopping guides and a comprehensive range of products all available at Gain City. There's a lot more to delve into with our line-up of beautiful interiors and home shopping promotions. It's truly a unique blend of informative home product features and inspiring living spaces in our inaugural issue!

Have a blast reading *City Living* and till the next issue!

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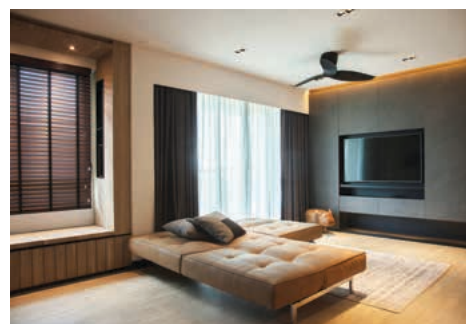


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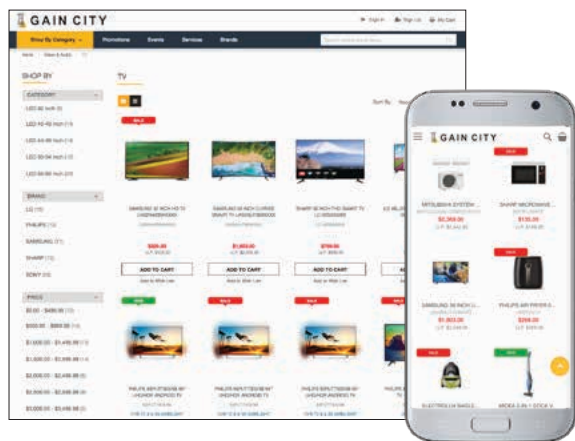
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Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Diamond Series

Harnessing the concept of computational fluid dynamics which is used in the blade shape designs of jet engines, the Diamond Series has developed an ideal air channel system to distribute a large volume of air without consuming too much power. Expect a long reach and silent air flow with this Jet Air Scroll feature. It also features 3D AUTO, which essentially comprises three independent air flow controls powered by one vertical working motor and two horizontal working motors. This delivers a uniformed and quiet air flow to achieve an energy-efficient performance.



Mitsubishi Electric Starmex FN Series

The latest Starmex FN Series combines both energy-saving and air-purifying features into its stylish and compact indoor units. Achieving a 5 Ticks excellent energy efficiency rating, these models offer cooling modes for the optimal capacity required of each room; thereby reducing power consumption. These single and multi-split air-conditioners also come with Dual Barrier Coating which prevents dust and greasy dirt from sticking onto the coated unit. A PM2.5 filter effectively eliminates microparticles in the room for clean air circulation, while the thoughtful designs of the detachable panel and airflow vents advocate easy and thorough cleaning.



Panasonic Deluxe Inverter XS Series

Boasting ECONAVI which are intelligent eco sensors and Inverter Technology, this range of air-conditioners from Panasonic minimises energy consumption with a Human Activity Sensor and a Sunlight Sensor. What this 5 Ticks air-conditioner does is it monitors human location, movement, absence and sunlight intensity to utilise energy efficiently. Both ECONAVI and the Inverter Technology also maintain the room's temperature by varying the rotation speed of the compressor which in turn, provides exceptional energy savings.



Hitachi RAM-24Q3JY Series

This series' Triple air purification system is definitely one of its key highlights and it is made up of a Stainless Pre-Filter, Wasabi Air Purifying Filter and UV Fresh feature. The stainless steel filter prevents dust from sticking while the Wasabi filter removes odours and allergens. The last component, UV Fresh, neutralises 99 per cent of bacteria trapped on the filter by emitting shortwave ultraviolet light through an internal LED. To save energy, count on its Vector DC Inverter system for a smooth compressor operation, and its ECO mode with motion sensors.

LIVE IN THE FUTURE

From the kitchen to your living room, this cool line-up of Samsung home appliances injects a buzz of innovation and the ultimate convenience to keep your home seamlessly connected.



With the Samsung SmartThings* app, you can connect a whole house of devices. This easy-to-use app lets you automate and control all your Samsung SmartThings-compatible appliances and electronics. Other than SmartThings, Samsung has also introduced the Family Hub™ refrigerator, the first IoT-enabled fridge in Singapore, to connect and manage all your smart appliances under the same roof.

* Each device must be connected to Wi-Fi or other wireless network. For interoperability through SmartThings, all the devices should be registered with a single Samsung Account. Available technology, functions, and features may vary by country, service provider, network environment, or product, and are subject to change without notice.



SAMSUNG Q9F QLED 4K TV

Hitting a winning formula to deliver a spectacular 4K picture quality with its Quantum Dot Technology, the Samsung Q9F series doesn't let up on its Smart TV features as well. The SmartThings platform on TV allows you to control and navigate your TV like a remote control via your smartphone. It also brings you an onscreen hub to monitor other smart appliances and devices on the same network, plus show instant notifications like when the washer finishes its cycle via SmartThings.

SAMSUNG FAMILY HUB™ >> MULTI-DOOR REFRIGERATOR

Much like the heart of the home, the Samsung Family Hub™ 550L refrigerator not only streamlines your cooking and entertainment needs with its intuitive 21.5" touchscreen; it also takes charge of your home's compatible smart devices via the SmartThings app. With that, you can start your POWERbot™ robot vacuum cleaner on its cleaning rounds or your QuickDrive™s wash cycle right from the fridge. You can also easily manage your groceries and sync your family members' schedules and notes as well with a simple tap of the screen.



SAMSUNG POWERbot™ ROBOT VACUUM CLEANER <<

Equipped with Wi-Fi® connectivity, this robot vacuum cleaner can be remotely-controlled through your smartphone* or from the Samsung Family Hub™ refrigerator. One simple tap on the touchscreen will activate the POWERbot™ to start or stop. You can even schedule cleaning times or check on its whereabouts by looking at the cleaning history. Navigating around different areas of your home is made easy with an upgraded, high-performance FullView Sensor™ 2.0 which scans and detects narrow corners or small obstacles which it deftly avoids.

*Requires installation of SmartThings app on compatible Android or iOS mobile device, and Wi-Fi® connectivity.



>> SAMSUNG 5 TICKS* MULTI SPLIT INVERTER SYSTEM WITH BUILT-IN SMART WI-FI®

Compatible with Android or iOS 7 Smart devices, this SMART Wi-Fi® air-conditioning system can be connected to your smartphone through the Samsung SmartThings app. Operating and monitoring the air-conditioner is therefore made possible even when you're on the go. By tapping on your phone's touchscreen, you can amend your temperature setting and fan speed or turn on the Virus Doctor** function. The best part is that you can enjoy the comfort of cool air even before getting home.

If you are out and realise you've forgotten to switch off the air-conditioner at home, just turn it off with your smartphone to minimise energy wastage. Speaking of not wasting energy, this 5 Ticks air-conditioner is highly energy-efficient. Its Digital Inverter technology optimises power usage while a unique Triangular Architecture design for the indoor unit advocates superior cooling performance.

*Based on NEA Energy label qualification.

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<< SAMSUNG QUICKDRIVE™ WASHING MACHINE

Adding much convenience to your laundry routine are the additional options of controlling the wash cycles of this intelligent washer either from the Family Hub™ fridge, or through your smartphone*.

Its connectivity with your smartphone is further enhanced by the Smart Control Q-rator*, the ultimate AI-powered laundry assistant. Besides its smart functions, the QuickDrive™ washer is also able to reduce washing time by up to 50 per

cent and energy consumption by up to 20 per cent** without compromising on washing performance. It boasts an innovative Q-Drum™ which comprises a 'main drum' and a 'backplate' that rotate independently for quick and optimum washing results.

** Based on Intertek test results, Samsung WW7800M (QuickDrive™ system) saves up to 50% washing time and up to 20% energy as compared with WW6500K (conventional system), based on Cotton 40°C course, half load (washing performance within ±3%). Based on Samsung internal test results, Samsung WW7800M saves up to 20% energy as compared with WW6500K, based on Super Speed Cycle 40°C course, 5kg load. Tested in accordance with IEC 60456:2010, individual results may vary.

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A ROUND-UP OF THE BEST TV AND IT PRODUCTS FOR YOUR ENTERTAINMENT AND PRODUCTIVITY NEEDS.

LG OLED TVs

To bring the best picture quality, LG's premium 2018 line-up of OLED TVs is equipped with its top-of-the-line α (Alpha) 9 processor. With that, viewers get to experience true-to-life images with vibrant colours, sharpness and depth for incredible realism. Topping it off is its superior sound system which is powered by Dolby Atmos® and offers superb sound clarity and complete immersion. The introduction of LG's exclusive ThinQ® artificial intelligence (AI) is another exciting feature which processes and responds to voice commands via the remote control.



Sony A9F TV (BRAVIA OLED MASTER Series)

The Sony A9F is powered by the Picture Processor X1™ Ultimate and this best picture quality TV pairs the deep black and natural colour of OLED with Pixel Contrast Booster™ for enhanced colour contrast in high luminance. Everything you watch comes to life. Unlike most TV speakers, sound comes at you from different directions with Acoustic Surface Audio+™. Three actuators and two powerful subwoofers deliver multi-dimensional sound that immerses you in a whole new entertainment experience. It's picture and sound in perfect harmony. Spend less time browsing but more time watching. Hands-free Voice Search on the Sony's MASTER Series provides you the power of Google search, allowing you to find content using your voice. Plus, the TV's built-in mic allows you to search without using the remote control!



Samsung QLED Q9F TV

For pure picture perfection, the Samsung Q9F 4K Smart TV delivers the most realistic, accurate and vibrant images with its ground-breaking Quantum Dot Technology. It comes with a Direct Full Array panel that accentuates the smallest details by directly controlling each individual light unit, while pinpoint precision lighting intermingles brilliant brights and deep blacks for a stunning effect. Besides the immersive picture quality, this QLED TV integrates seamlessly within your living room setting via the No Gap Wall-Mount and Magic Screen feature.

HP Pavilion Series

Getting a boost with premium features and designs is the well-loved HP Pavilion series of PCs and laptops. HP Pavilion 14 and 15 laptops feature the 8th Gen Intel® Core™ processors with up to NVIDIA® MX150 Graphics or the latest AMD® Ryzen™ Mobile Processor with Radeon™ Vega Graphics to elevate your multimedia needs. Also, check out the Pavilion x360 or Pavilion Gaming Laptop 15 where gamers will be thrilled by its hardware built for gameplay, content creation and productivity.



Lenovo Yoga 530

Turn heads with this stylish and compact 2-in-1 laptop in Onyx Black, Mineral Grey or the brand-new Liquid Blue. It features polished aluminium surfaces and a 360° hinge which effortlessly transforms the laptop to a tablet and back. To meet your multimedia needs, this 14-inch laptop is equipped with premium Intel® Core™ i7 processing, security options, Active Pen support, plus rich visual and audio clarity.

Dell XPS 15

An awe-inspiring Infinity Edge display defines Dell's smallest 15.6-inch performance laptop. With its ultra-sharp 4K Ultra HD display, you can view each detail of every pixel without zooming in. This is also the most powerful XPS laptop that Dell has ever built and it includes the latest 6 core 8th Gen Intel® Core™ processors. It is also packed with faster memory of up to 16GB and expandable storage of up to 1TB.



Acer Swift 3 Premium

Ideal for those on the go, the Swift 3 laptop comprises a full HD 14-inch display within a petite 1.35kg frame. The lightweight laptop is powered by the latest 8th Gen Intel® Core™ processors for a speedy system. With the discrete NVIDIA® GeForce® MX150 graphics built in, computer-intensive tasks such as video editing and casual gaming will be no mean feat for the Acer Swift 3.

ASUS Zenbook Pro 15 UX580

Be wowed by the ASUS Zenbook Pro 15's NanoEdge 4K UHD display. Its ultra slim bezel screen brings improved and more lifelike images which are simply gorgeous for everyday use. This laptop is packed with up to Intel® Core™ i9 processor, ultra-fast storage and a NVIDIA® GeForce® GTX 1050Ti to take you through the most demanding of tasks.



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THESE INNOVATIVE HOME PRODUCTS WILL KEEP EVERYDAY
LIVES IN PERFECT ORDER.**



Philips Avance Collection Rice Cooker

Serve up great-tasting rice with the Philips HD3175 rice cooker. Every grain is well-cooked thanks to its iSpiral IH heating technology and its copper-coated original 'Blaze' pot, which ensures rice is heated evenly. The specially-designed fragrance-retaining valve structure is another notable

feature and this rice cooker can store up to three common cooking programs for you to easily select your go-to cooking program.



Dyson Supersonic™ Hair Dryer

This fast and focused hair dryer puts your heat damage woes to rest with its intelligent heat control system. By ensuring the airflow never exceeds 150°C, which is the temperature that causes irreversible heat damage, it dries your hair quickly and preserves its natural shine. Powered by the Dyson digital motor V9, this is Dyson's smallest and lightest motor to date. It sits at the heart of the hair dryer and is therefore engineered for balance to reduce arm aches, and prevents hair from getting caught in it.



Brandt Top Load Washing Machine

This intelligent 6.5kg washing machine achieves the perfect wash every time by adjusting the consumption and electricity for the duration of each cycle automatically. BT653HQA is equipped with an induction motor that comes with 10 years motor warranty, which reduces energy consumption significantly and performs at a quiet sound level of only 48dB(A). Boasting a compact and slim size, this 40cm top load washing machine fits into your laundry yard perfectly.





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Available in stylish white, red or black, this countertop unit will be a sleek and savvy addition to your home.

For more information, visit www.focuswater.com.sg

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Ariston Gas Hob (TH731 D2/ A B)

Whether it's Asian or Western fare, this versatile gas hob has it covered with its cast iron adapter and pan support to accommodate a wide range of cookware. The hob itself is engineered with a powerful 4.5kW brass burner.

This retains heat and distributes heat more evenly for better cooking results. The high quality SCHOTT glass cooktop is an environmentally-friendly innovation which is elegant, resistant to hard knocks and exceptionally easy to clean.



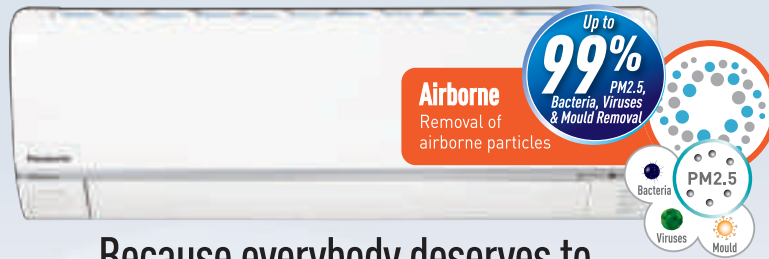
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Made in France, this sleek steam iron is packed with 3000W of power for a quick heat-up time. Its powerful ironing performance is also enhanced by an anti-calc collector for long-lasting steam power. It is able to tackle the most demanding of ironing tasks such as stubborn creases. With its Durilium Airglide Autoclean soleplate, it provides the best glide for effortless and efficient ironing.



Bosch Unlimited Cordless Handstick Vacuum Cleaner

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For more details, visit www.panasonic.com/sg/consumer/air-conditioners/

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WHAT'S **Cool?**

THE ULTIMATE AIR-CON SHOPPING GUIDE

From choosing the right system to installation and servicing, Gain City covers all your air-conditioning needs and queries.



With a multitude of air-conditioner types in the market, not to mention brands and models, it might be difficult to stay cool-headed about things. Don't fret; making a cool and informed decision about the right air-conditioner for your home is not that complicated. Generally, you should be looking for something more energy-efficient. The best air-conditioners are highly-efficient multi-split inverters with compact wall-mounted units. Confused? We break down the jargon for you:

Multi-split inverter systems

Commonly used in residential spaces, multi-split inverter systems are the choice of many homes today. This system comprises an indoor and outdoor component. The wall-mounted indoor units are connected to a condenser that is installed outside on a ledge of your apartment. This outdoor condenser regulates the temperature of the units.

A multi-split inverter system means you have multiple indoor units connected to a single outdoor condenser. As such, multi-split systems are commonly categorised as 2, 3, 4 and 5. If you need to cool two bedrooms, you will need system 2 and for three bedrooms, system 3, and so on.

Depending on your own air-conditioner usage and your home's layout, you can also



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30%
TO
50%**

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Hitachi RAM-24Q3JY

With a Vector DC Inverter System, the Hitachi RAM-24Q3JY air-conditioner adjusts compressor rotation speeds at all times for a smoother and energy-saving operation.



consider other unique split systems like 3+1, 3+2, 2+2 or 3+3. For instance, a system 3+1 on the other hand, has three wall-mounted units to a single condenser and an additional separate condenser to a single wall-mounted unit in the home. This works better for homes which require a single room to be air-conditioned throughout the day as a single unit operating on full capacity can overwork the entire system and be a burden on your electrical bill. It would be

more efficient and cost-saving to simply separate the system. These varying combinations offer flexibility to better suit your living arrangements and lifestyle.

INVERTER VS NON-INVERTER

What's the main difference? It all lies in the compressor which is the biggest factor in determining the amount of energy being consumed. The compressor of non-inverter air-conditioners operates at full capacity as

the speed is fixed. An inverter air-conditioner's compressor runs at a variable speed and therefore, does not work at full capacity all the time. It adjusts the power according to the temperature of the room and this contributes to less energy being wasted. Since the compressor of inverter air-conditioners do not run at maximum capacity as compared to non-inverter air-conditioners, the operation is also much quieter.

Portable Air-Conditioner

Other air-conditioning models that homeowners can consider but aren't that common include floor standing models. These portable air-conditioners can be shifted from room to room but aren't able to cool a very large space. It is therefore recommended for common bedrooms or the study room rather than the master bedroom or the communal zones. How it dispenses cool air is it draws in warm air, cools it and then distributes cool, clean air into the room.



Image courtesy of Nosu Interiors

One of the most important considerations in choosing the right air-conditioner is matching the right capacity (BTUs) to the size of your room.

GAIN CITY AIR-CON SPECIALIST



Casement Air-Conditioner

For those looking for a simple, standalone unit, the window air-conditioner makes a sensible choice. With its window-mounted design and lower installation costs as compared to the multi-split inverter system's installation process, it is ideal for those short on budget.

LIGHT CONCERN

A casement unit will block one of the windows and while that does reduce some of the heat coming into the room, the light source is also reduced which could dim the space.

4 things to look out for a good air-conditioner



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Look at the tick-rating (from one to five ticks) on an air-conditioner. All systems should be labelled with a sticker from the National Environment Agency to determine its energy efficiency. Aim to purchase units with five ticks such as Samsung's 5 Ticks Multi Split Inverter System with Built-In SMART Wi-Fi®.



ULTIMATE CONVENIENCE

The average system requires remote system controls, but Samsung's 5 Ticks Multi Split Inverter System with Built-in SMART Wi-Fi® enables you to control it through the SmartThings app on your phone anywhere, anytime.



AFTER SALES SERVICE

Always ask about installation, warranty and maintenance of the system. It definitely gives you peace of mind especially with dedicated services provided by Samsung's Premium After Care (Same Day) Service.







NOISE LEVEL

It goes without saying, the quieter, the better. With an almost whisper quiet sound level of 19dB, Samsung's wall mounted indoor units offer cooling comfort and a quiet environment.



Image courtesy of Samsung

AIR-CONDITIONER TYPES AT A GLANCE

	 DESIGN	 INSTALLATION	 LEVEL OF NOISE	 COST
MULTI-SPLIT INVERTER SYSTEMS	Sleek wall-mounted design which only takes up wall space. The outdoor condenser will be installed at the air-conditioner ledge.	More complicated because wiring and piping works have to be done to link the various air-conditioners to the condenser.	Quieter than the other two because its condenser is outside.	Starts from \$2,000 onwards inclusive of installation.
CASEMENT UNIT	Standalone design which is mounted along the windows.	Easier to install by fitting the single unit through a slot within the window.	Much noisier with the built-in condenser.	Starts from \$909 inclusive of installation.
PORTABLE UNIT	Usually has wheels and can be moved from one area to the other.	No installation required – just plug and go.	Not as noisy as the window casement unit.	Starts from \$490.

Check out page 32 and get to know various air-con SOS situations & solutions!

sizing your AIR-CON

**SIZE MATTERS WHEN IT COMES TO CHOOSING THE RIGHT AIR-CON CAPACITY
TO COOL DOWN DIFFERENT LIVING ZONES EFFECTIVELY.**



COOL FACTOR

The right cooling capacity will advocate proper comfort and minimise energy wastage. An oversized air-conditioner will cost more and it may not dehumidify the space properly. Conversely, an undersized air-conditioner will have to work harder to cool a larger room down and may not offer adequate cooling and dehumidification.

all air conditioners come with a standard British Thermal Unit (BTU) rating and this measures their cooling capacity. For a straightforward gauge, you can determine how much BTUs a particular room requires by multiplying the square foot of the space by 65. To make things easy, you could also use an online BTU calculator and input your floor size and other details for each room to get the exact BTU figures for your home.

BEDROOMS

According to Gain City, a standard master bedroom will require an air conditioner with a cooling capacity of 9,000 to 12,000 BTUs. Their air-con specialist adds: "Some landed homes have very large bedrooms and that

would require an air-conditioner with a cooling capacity of at least 18,000 BTUs."

COMMUNAL ZONES

With many homeowners favouring an open-concept space where the living, dining and kitchen zones are integrated, this would mean a larger area to cool down. The specialist says: "One air-conditioner may not be sufficient as there might be poor circulation."



He suggests a total capacity of 18,000 BTUs for the combined communal areas for a three to four-room HDB flat and a minimum of 24,000 BTUs for a five-room HDB flat.

INSTALLATION CHECKLIST



Ensure your air-con is installed by a BCA trained air-conditioner installer such as Gain City



Unlike new flats which are usually empty, you should move away large furnishings which are directly under the existing piping route before installation commences.



Submit an installation report to your HDB branch within 14 days after installation

installing your AIR-CON RIGHT

NOW THAT YOU KNOW THE BASICS IN PICKING THE RIGHT AIR-CON, IT'S TIME TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH AIR-CON INSTALLATION.

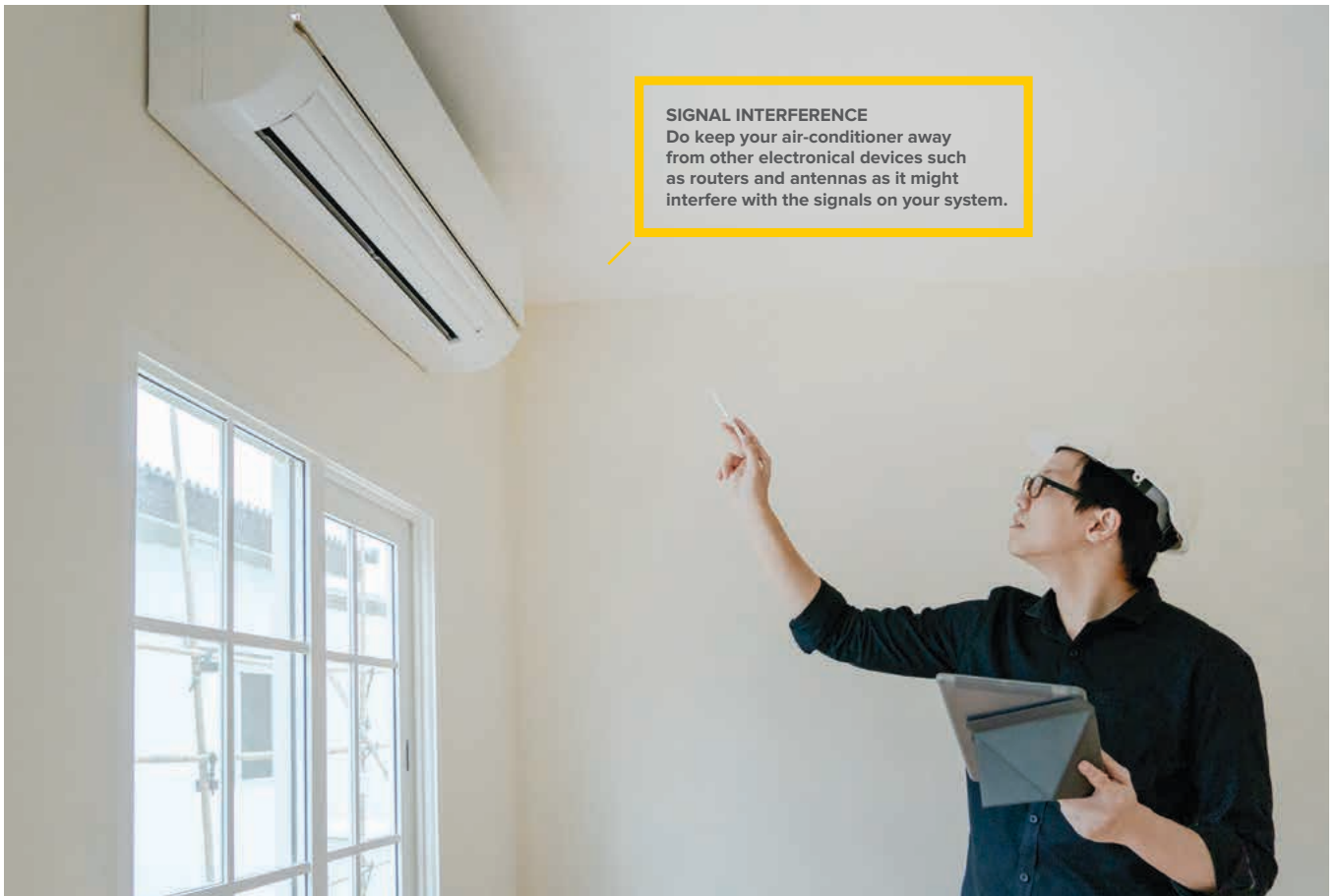
With a multi-split inverter air-con system as the leading choice amongst homeowners, installing the entire system requires detailed structural works and of course, technical knowledge. Leave it to the installation professionals at Gain City to handle this intricate process. Gain City says: "The reason why people trust our air-con services is because we use only premium materials for the installation. We have a strong expertise in

installation, servicing and in our after-sales service as well."

What happens when you don't hire a professional and reliable air-con installer? Slipshod installation will bring along a host of undesirable issues like rusting, malfunctioning, water clogging and leakage; just to name a few. These problems may not appear right away, but it will affect your air-conditioner in the long run. This is why it is important to get the installation right the first time.

SIGNAL INTERFERENCE

Do keep your air-conditioner away from other electrical devices such as routers and antennas as it might interfere with the signals on your system.





INSTALLATION PROCESS

"It usually takes us a day or two to install a typical system-3 air-conditioner," says Assistant Manager Alvin Teo from Gain City. "We usually assign one team to complete the full installation and we don't practise partial installation where someone does the piping while another party handles the equipment to save cost." On that note, the installation should always be carried out by BCA-certified technicians.

Air-con malfunctioning issues and not being able to cool down the room effectively can stem from the inferior workmanship of the materials used during the installation.

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Premium Installation Materials

As important as the installation itself, the quality of the materials used during installation will also affect the usage of your air-conditioner. Gain City says: "Inferior materials like rubber insulation tubes, copper pipes, wires and brackets can have adverse effects on the performance of your air conditioner." They are discerning on the quality of the installation materials used which is reflected on the line-up of premium materials employed in their in-house installation services. Here are some of the main materials commonly used in the installation:



PVC DRAINAGE PIPES

Gain City utilises a 16-mm thick drainage pipe with insulation while other retailers and contractors may use a 13-mm thick pipe without insulation. Drainage pipes that are not properly insulated or not inclined at the proper gradient will cause condensation which results in air-con leakage.



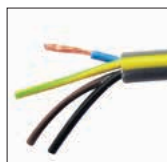
CLASS 0 ARMAFLEX INSULATIONS

Gain City only uses High "U" Factor insulation while the rest might use inferior insulation which is not certified. Such poor quality can drive up the condensation and result in leakages.



COPPER PIPES

Using PSB Singapore-tested Gauge 22 copper pipes, this sets Gain City apart from those who might use uncertified and low quality pipes to save on cost. This ultimately shortens the lifespan of the air-conditioner as inferior copper pipes cannot withstand high gas pressure. This results in gas leakages which can lead to the premature failure of the air-conditioner.



WIRE CABLES

Instead of using only three wires, Gain City utilises four core wires of green/yellow, blue, brown and black colours. Using sub-standard or undersized wires could cause potential electrical short circuits or even fire hazards.



BRACKETS

Gain City works with GRADE 304 brackets which are PE certified and approved by BCA and HDB. As compared to these high quality GRADE 304 brackets, low quality brackets will rust prematurely and can be classified as illegal installations when they do not meet government regulations.

KEEP IT OPEN

Never conceal your air-conditioner behind a corner or have anything blocking the air vents. It may work aesthetically but these obstructions can cause your unit to work harder than it should.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

The golden rule in the placement of your air-con unit is: it should be free of obstructions. That means no walls, pillars or beams blocking it. The cool air should have sufficient space to circulate and if there is a lack of ventilation space, it will create 'hot spots' which will affect the air-conditioner's cooling efficiency and result in frequent breakdowns.



5 WAYS FOR A BETTER NIGHT'S REST

- ✓ During installation, position your air-con behind the headboard so that the air vents blow towards your legs and not your face.
- ✓ For those who like it really cool, you can consider the other way around and install your air-conditioner right in front of you.
- ✓ Set the temperature to 24°C or 25°C; these are the optimum temperatures to keep your body temperature in perfect balance.
- ✓ Install blackout curtains for peaceful darkness and to reduce the external heat source.
- ✓ Make sure your mattress is supporting your body and sleeping position adequately.

Is it time to change your mattress? Check out more tips on choosing the right mattress on page 56.

beat the heat without BREAKING THE BANK

KEEPING THE AIR-CONDITIONER RUNNING, ESPECIALLY FROM NIGHT TO THE NEXT MORNING, IS EXPENSIVE BUSINESS. HERE'S HOW TO SAVE BIG WITH THESE SMART TIPS.



ENERGY EFFICIENCY RATIO

Another common air-con spec that you're bound to come across is the Energy Efficiency or EER. An AC unit with a higher number will cost less to operate but the unit itself is more costly than those with a lower EER. For an energy-efficient air-conditioner, do go for those with an EER of 9.7 to 10.7.

Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Diamond Series

This inverter air-conditioner series boasts an air channel system which is inspired by the blade shape design of jet engines. This brings a large volume of air without consuming too much power and also delivers a gentle, uniformed breeze to your room.



THE ENERGY LABEL

Most large appliances like refrigerators and air-conditioners come with an energy label and this is an official rating for how efficient the appliance is at using energy. All in all, the more check marks there are on the energy label rating, the more adept the appliance is at saving energy. The

Filters generally help to prevent dust particles from entering the evaporator coils. If it's not washed regularly, the accumulation of dust particles on the filters may obstruct and weaken the air flow; thereby reducing the air-conditioner's cooling efficiency. Keeping the filters clean will in turn, lower your air conditioner's energy consumption.

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label also displays how much it'll cost to use the appliance on a yearly basis and how much energy the appliance consumes each year.

The ratings on the NEA-approved Energy Label are only applicable if you use the appliance daily for at least eight hours. If you seldom turn on your air-conditioner, you might not experience a substantial difference in cost savings.

Mitsubishi Electric Starmex FN Series

Providing an amazingly quiet performance, the latest Starmex FN air-con series has obtained a 5-Ticks excellent energy efficiency rating based on its energy saving modes and technology.



MORE TIPS TO REDUCE AC ENERGY CONSUMPTION

- ✓ Set your air-con temperature to 25 °C. For every degree lower, you consume more electricity and may pay approximately \$25* more a year.
- ✓ Set the timer for the air-con to stop running an hour before your usual wake-up timing.
- ✓ Run the fan and air-con together to spread the distribution of cool air in a shorter time. When the room reaches the desired temperature, turn off the fan and raise the air-con temperature to save energy.
- ✓ Service your air-conditioner every three to four months. This minimises clogging and other common problems which will otherwise consume more energy.
- ✓ If your air-conditioner comes with an Eco mode, choose this setting to help reduce your energy consumption.

*Source: National Environment Agency, <http://www.e2singapore.gov.sg/households/saving-energy-at-home/tips-on-buying-appliances>



7 reasons to service YOUR AIR-CON REGULARLY

BESIDES KEEPING YOUR AIR-CONDITIONER RUNNING IN TIP TOP CONDITION, REGULAR MAINTENANCE WILL PREVENT COSTLY PROBLEMS AND SAVE YOU MONEY IN THE LONG RUN.

1 BETTER AIR QUALITY
Cleaning and sanitising the inner workings of your air-con is all part of the servicing process and this ensures you and your family breathe in fresh, clean air which is clear of dust and other air irritants.

2 LESS RESPIRATORY HEALTH ISSUES
Keep allergies and chronic respiratory illnesses like asthma at bay by introducing better indoor air quality.

3 COMBAT HEAVY WEAR & TEAR
For those with their air-con turned on 24/7, it's only right to have your AC checked by a professional on a regular basis to keep it functioning at its best.

4 AVOID HEFTY REPAIRS
Any minor issues will be detected and fixed during the servicing and this will minimise the possibilities of these issues snowballing into major problems.

5 SAVES ELECTRICITY
Without regular servicing, a clogged-up or malfunctioning AC will need to work doubly hard to produce cool air and this can take a beating out of your utility bill.

6 MINIMISES FOUL ODOURS
Servicing will remove the build-up of mould, bacteria and dust, and this will eliminate the chances of having unpleasant odours wafting out of your air-con's vents.

7 COMPLY WITH WARRANTY CONDITIONS
Check the fine print – does your air-conditioner's warranty require it to

undergo regular servicing in order to utilise it? If that is the case, do comply with the stated requirements to qualify for the warranty.



With regular servicing, your air-conditioner will dispense cleaner cool air to introduce an overall better and healthier indoor air quality.

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air-con SOS

LEAKS, FOUL ODOURS, WEIRD SOUNDS
AND MORE – KNOW WHEN TO CALL THE
PROFESSIONALS AND WHEN TO FIX IT YOURSELF.

CLEAN FILTERS RIGHT

Wash your filters once you notice that it has a grey layer of dust and dirt. Do note that over-washing the filters will trap more dust so washing them once a month is good enough.



SCENARIO 1: LEAKAGE

POSSIBLE REASONS:

The coil might be badly choked, the drain pipe might be clogged, the evaporator coil might be frozen or there is insufficient gas.

HOW TO FIX IT:

You need to call in the servicing professionals. Your air-conditioner will probably require servicing or steam cleaning. Do turn it off immediately. The air-con will still run but if you want to continue using it, you should put a bucket underneath to collect the leakage, and ensure it doesn't drip onto wiring or other appliances.

With regular servicing, you can extend the lifespan of your air-conditioner unit and minimise energy loss. However, when regular maintenance like servicing and cleaning the filters are neglected, an air-conditioner unit with a five-tick energy rating can drop to 4 ticks or even 3.

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SCENARIO 2: ROOM IS NOT COOLING DOWN EFFECTIVELY

POSSIBLE REASONS:

Your air-con setting might not be set correctly. The outdoor condenser might have malfunctioned or your air-con is running low on refrigerant.

HOW TO FIX IT:

Check if the remote control setting is set to cool mode and not fan mode. If it doesn't work, you need to call the air con specialist.



SCENARIO 3: FOUL ODOURS

POSSIBLE REASONS:

You haven't been cleaning the filters regularly. There may be a build-up of mildew and moisture accumulated within the air-con due to dirty laundry or wet towels being left in the room.

HOW TO FIX IT:

Clean the filters, at least once a month especially if the air-con is turned on every day. You can also turn it to fan mode and let it run for 30 minutes to reduce the levels of mildew and moisture. If the odour persists, call an air-con specialist to come and check the source.



SCENARIO 4: WEIRD SOUNDS

POSSIBLE REASONS:

Some mechanical parts inside your air-con have come loose or malfunctioned.

HOW TO FIX IT:

Turn it off and then on again. If the sound does not go away, it might indicate that your air-conditioner needs some repairs done. Call an air-con specialist soon before it escalates into serious damages.



SCENARIO 5: LITTLE TO NO COOL AIR

POSSIBLE REASONS:

Particles and debris may be clogging up the air ducts connecting the air-conditioner to the main system. In the worst possible scenarios, there is a mechanical failure or your air-conditioner might be on its last legs.

HOW TO FIX IT:

Get an air-con specialist on the case first – he will probably dismantle the system and clear out the dirt.



GAIN CITY'S AIR-CON SERVICES

As a one-stop location for all your air-conditioning needs, Gain City provides installation, servicing and repair works for both residential and commercial spaces. Since its conception in 1981, they have emerged as Singapore's largest air-conditioner retailer. The brand is also renowned as a trusted air-conditioning installation and maintenance service provider. Their strong expertise is backed by a pool of BCA-certified installation technicians. Besides offering air-con servicing packages for the convenience of those who purchase their air-conditioners, Gain City has all your major and minor air-conditioning issues covered.

For more details on their air-conditioning services, visit www.gaincity.com or call +65 6222 1212



STICKY SITUATIONS

Refrain from spraying cologne, hair products or even putting on makeup in an air-conditioned room. The sticky and powdery substances emitted from these beauty products will be sucked into the air-con coil and that causes clogging.

traditional fans VS BLADELESS FANS

WHAT'S THE HYPE WITH BLADELESS FANS AND HOW DOES IT MEASURE UP TO THE TRADITIONAL MODELS? HERE'S ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW.



Featuring the **Dyson** Pure Cool Tower Purifier Fan, **KDK** UAGFP Ceiling Fan



ROOM SIZE



ENERGY CONSUMPTION



CLEANING



COST

	ROOM SIZE	ENERGY CONSUMPTION	CLEANING	COST
BLADELESS FANS	Depending on the model you get, those with higher voltage power of 56W can cool the living and dining zones adequately.	Lowest from 40W and highest from 56W.	No blades mean less to clean. Little fingers and pets won't get caught in its streamlined blades as well.	Prices start from \$399 for a Dyson Desk Fan.
CEILING FANS	It circulates air in a wider spread and is able to cool down a room more effectively than pedestal fans. Suitable for most rooms including larger communal zones.	54W for a 44-inch model and 71W for a 60-inch model. Those with LED lights can range from 30-48W.	Its elevated position might prove cumbersome to clean the blades but using a handheld vacuum or magnetic duster will get the job done.	Prices start from \$228 for a 44-inch model and \$349 for a 48-inch model with LED light.
PEDESTAL FANS	Their span of airflow is not as powerful as ceiling fans and therefore, it is better suited for the bedroom or study room.	55W for a 16-inch model.	It takes a while to wipe away the accumulated dirt and dust on the grille that protects the blades.	\$54.90 for a basic 16-inch model and \$119 for a 16-inch with remote control.
WALL-MOUNTED FANS	Mounted into a corner of a room, most of which can tilt and rotate, they offer a direct flow of wind to a small space such as the bedroom and study room.	54.5W for a 16-inch model.	Besides removing the grille to wipe away the dust, the wall-mounted position means accessing the blades to clean it will be a precarious chore.	\$124 for a 16-inch model.



SIZE OF FAN

A good gauge for a ceiling fan would be a 36- to 42-inch fan for the bedroom, a 42- to 48-inch for the living room and a 48- to 52-inch for the combined living and dining zone. Do also ensure it is 2.3m to 3m from the floor, blade tips 0.6m away from the walls or tall furniture to ensure that your air moves about efficiently.



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Panasonic Deluxe Inverter XS Series

Armed with nanoe-G technology, this air-con series from Panasonic is capable of removing up to 99 per cent of airborne particles like dust which are as small as PM2.5. It is also able to deactivate up to 99 per cent of adhesive micro-organism and deodorises adhesive odours such as tobacco smell, for a cleaner living environment.



Nippon Paint's Eco-Friendly Paint

Nippon Paint offers premium interior paint products which have low Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) levels. Their Odour-less EasyWash paint for instance, emits near zero VOCs, is non-toxic and contains no lead, mercury or heavy metals. Plus, their Odour-less Medifresh paint provides protection against mould, mildew and bacteria and is highly ideal for households with kids or the elderly.



KDK Ceiling Fans

Fresh air is always good for you. While you can't very well be outdoors 24/7, having a well-ventilated home is the next best thing. These energy-saving ceiling fans from KDK not only create a wide span of airflow for the best cooling effect; its 1/f yuragi fluctuating pattern provides a high level of comfort for a refreshing and relaxed environment.



Dyson Pure Cool Purifying Fan

There are plenty of air pollutants in our homes which are oblivious to the naked eye and the Dyson Pure Cool Purifying Fan picks up on that with a live report on its sleek LCD display. This intelligent purifying fan detects the amount of pollutants in the house in real-time, which it will then respond automatically to purify the air.



WHAT'S Smart?

TOP ENTERTAINMENT

Make informed decisions with our straightforward guides on choosing TVs and laptops, and check out how to put together a smart future-proof home.

TV guide

OLED, 4K, HDR AND MORE – WE BREAK DOWN THESE INTIMIDATING TV TECH TERMS AND TRANSLATE IT INTO SOMETHING SIMPLER.

Featuring the Sony BRAVIA OLED TV



The arrival of Sony's BRAVIA OLED A9F Series, a 4K HDR OLED TV, marks remarkable improvements in sound and picture qualities for OLED TVs.

it's not easy buying a TV. With a foreign-sounding range of technology terms and specs to wade through, comparing one screen to the other is no walk in the park. Fortunately, we've

processed the hard, technical stuff to help you cut to the chase by determining which specs matter. This way, you can pick the right television based on your viewing habits and lifestyle.

HD

Short for 'high definition', HD is technically any screen with a resolution higher than 720 pixels tall. The more pixels there are, the higher in definition the screen is.

HDR

High dynamic range, better known as HDR, is a feature being hyped on mid- and high-level televisions that lets the screens display a larger array of colours, lightness, and blacks than before. On televisions, HDR makes images much more realistic looking.

4K

The current big thing in broadcast and streaming content, 4K is also known as ultra-high-definition (UHD). This presents a resolution four times the pixel density of high definition video. 4K also offers a brighter picture and sharper detail than HD – which is why now is the time to look into a 4K set.

OLED

As the latest and greatest in display technology, OLED (organic LED) screens have individual organic light-emitting diodes. This draws out a clearer picture quality and dynamic colours as these diodes produce light and colour at the same time.

QLED



Now there's Samsung's QLED TVs. Short for quantum-dot LED, QLED TVs use quantum dots to enhance performance in key picture quality areas. QLED TVs are special because they are able to produce 100 per cent real colour that allow you to watch your favourite content and characters come to life in realistic, accurate colours.

CONTRAST RATIO

A number that shows the difference between the television's brightest bright and blackest black, the contrast ratio describes how varied a television's image can be. So, the bigger the ratio, the better the TV looks. And the smaller that first number is, the more likely you are to have a washed out display.

OLE OLE OLED

A quick look at these hot OLED TV models and their wow-factor specs.



LG B8 OLED TV

- + LG's α (Alpha) 7 Processor
- + 4K Cinema HDR for a truly cinematic viewing experience
- + Dolby Atmos® which offers astounding object-based surround sound



PHILIPS OLED803 TV (ANDROID TV)

- + Ambilight 3-sided
- + P5 Perfect Picture Engine
- + Google Assistant built-in



SONY BRAVIA OLED A9F SERIES

- + 4K HDR Processor X1™ Ultimate
- + Pixel Contrast Booster for enhanced colour contrast in high luminance
- + Acoustic Surface Audio+™ for one of the best improved sound qualities ever heard on any TV

Smart TVs VS Android TV Box

Smart TVs can be considered the whole package. It's a neat and unified platform that syncs with your phone and other smart devices easily and you only require one remote to operate. And while it's nice to be able to access these online services without an external box, some manufacturers using their own proprietary smart systems may be slow to update them or offer limited apps.

An Android TV box is a small set-top box or computer that can be plugged into any television to convert it into a smart TV. It gives users access to web-browsers, TV shows, motion pictures and live games. It works on Android OS and comprises a vast app library; hence it is similar to using

Android mobile, which can be connected to Google Play store.

To let viewers enjoy the best of both worlds, some manufacturers such as Sony's BRAVIA Series have incorporated the Android Oreo platform into their own Smart TVs.



For a typical HDB BTO flat's living area, you can't go wrong with a 55-inch TV.

KOH SIANG WEI, SALES EXECUTIVE, GAIN CITY

Screen Size

Now that you have a clearer grasp of the general TV terms and technology, your next decision would be finding the right screen size. Besides considering how many people in your family typically watch TV at the same time, the golden rule is the further away the sofa, the larger the TV screen. Your TV screen size should be 1.2 to 1.6 times the distance between your sofa and the screen. If you're looking at a 4K ultra-high-definition television, the formula changes a bit because of the increased resolution.

Here is a general guideline based on your TV size and living room area:

TV SIZE	RECOMMENDED DISTANCE FOR 4K ULTRA HD TVs	RECOMMENDED DISTANCE FOR 1080P HD TVs
50 INCHES	50 – 75 INCHES	120 – 150 INCHES
55 INCHES	55 – 82 INCHES	130 – 162 INCHES
60 INCHES	60 – 90 INCHES	144 – 175 INCHES
65 INCHES	65 – 97 INCHES	100 – 124 INCHES
70 INCHES	70 – 105 INCHES	108 – 138 INCHES

SLEEK ENTERTAINMENT

A world of fantastic features and top image qualities lie within the Philips 7300 Series.

Other than its ultra slim appearance, there's more to love about this 4K TV powered by Android TV. For starters, the Philips 7300 boasts Philips 3-sided Ambilight, a lighting technology that makes movies and games feel true-to-life. It responds to music and gets the party started by pairing your favourite beats with a spectacular light show. With intelligent LEDs outlining the edges of the TV, the 55-inch screen gets a visual upsize; especially when on-screen colours get cast onto the walls.

Images Redefined

With a boost in resolution with its Ultra HD quality, the screen is illuminated with over

eight million pixels. Adding to that is Philips' Ultra Resolution Upscaling technology. Images get an improvement from the original content. With the Philips P5 Perfect Picture Engine lending support, the colours are vivid while skin tones appear natural. Contrast is crisp in every detail with incredibly smooth motion.

Incredible Contrast & Incredibly Smart

Micro Dimming Pro optimises the contrast on your TV based on the lighting conditions

of your room. Combined with its special software that analyses the picture in 6400 different zones, enjoy incredible contrast and image quality for a truly lifelike visual experience day or night. To heighten your entertainment experience, its Philips Android TV platform can be controlled with your voice. Just say the word as you search and select through content and apps in the Google Play Store or command all Google Assistant-compatible smart home devices with your voice.



Featured model: 50/55/65PUT7303/98

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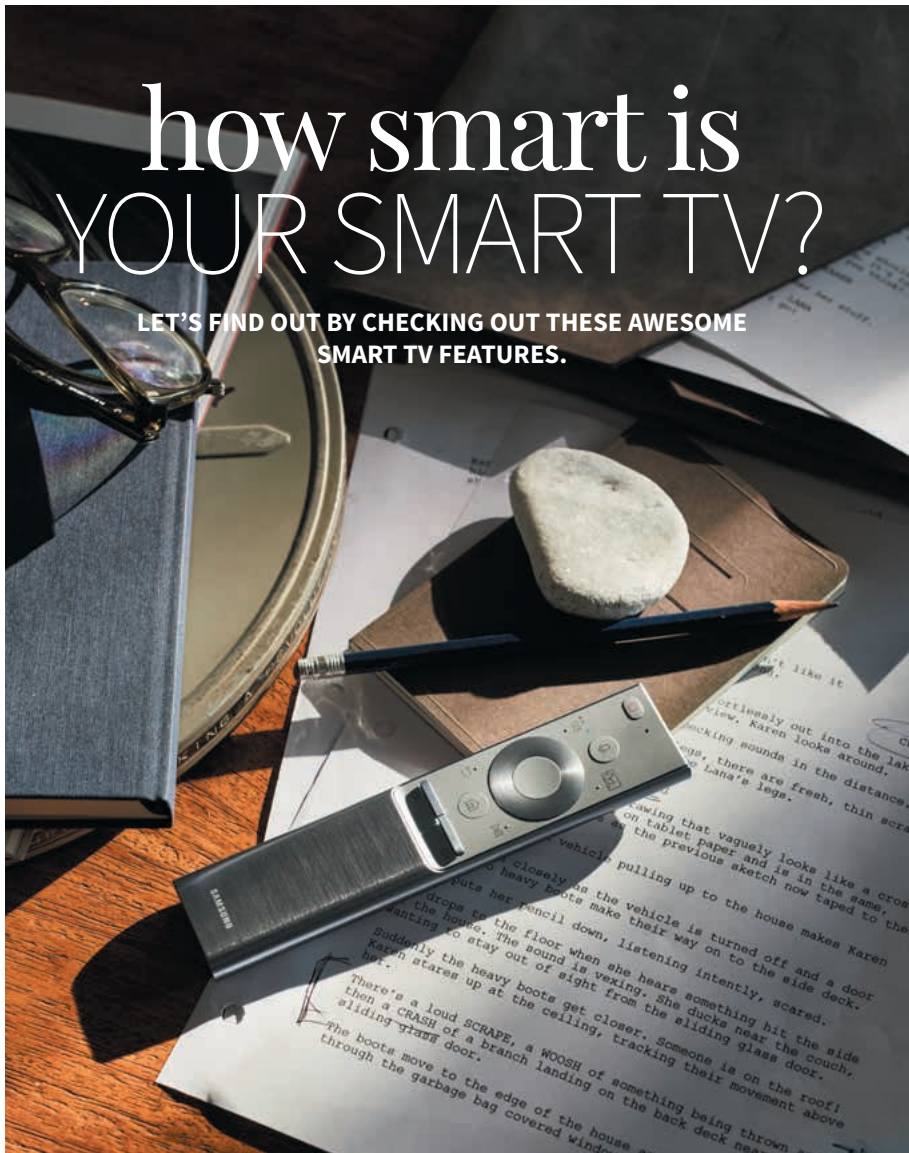
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SMART FEATURE #2: SMART HOME SYSTEM

Fancy using your TV as a central hub for controlling all your other smart devices and home appliances? Now you can, as these Smart TV models allow you to sit in comfort while it does the job of getting other appliances on the same network to work.

With Google Assistant built-in, the **Philips 7300 series 4K TV** lets you command all Google Assistant-compatible smart home devices with your voice. Now you can dim the lights or turn on the fan without leaving the sofa.

The **Samsung QLED TV** is compatible with its SmartThings platform and you can sure do a lot of smart things in less time. It provides easy TV setup and an onscreen hub for monitoring other smart devices and appliances like fridges and washing machines.

SMART FEATURE #1: VOICE-ACTIVATED COMMANDS

Samsung QLED TVs come with the One Remote Control which is equipped with a voice assistant to look up or play your favourite TV content. This versatile, all-in-one remote doesn't just control the TV; it manages all connected devices like the home theatre, Blu-ray player and whatever is recognised on your unit.

The **LG B8 OLED TV** features ThinQ AI which has intelligent voice commands. You only need to speak directly into the remote control and give voice input commands such as switching channels or turning the volume up or down. Selecting different apps on the interface

is also made easy with your voice and without manually navigating the screen.

Sony offers something similar by letting you communicate with its **BRAVIA MASTER Series** through the screen. With an advanced voice control and Voice Search, use the power of your voice to search for your favourite shows on Netflix, Youtube and Google Play amongst multiple providers. Google Talk also allows you to speak to the TV in 42 different languages so language barrier is never a factor.



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SMART FEATURE #3: SCREEN MIRRORING

Sony's **BRAVIA MASTER Series OLED TVs** have Chromecast built-in and as its name suggests, this lets you cast your favourite videos, games and app from mobile devices, in full quality, to your TV. Tapping the Cast button on your Android or iOS screen will supersize your favourite content.

Besides screen mirroring capabilities, the amazing connectivity between

Smart TVs and your mobile can be experienced with **Samsung's SmartThings app** which transforms your mobile into a remote control. Plus, if you need a bathroom break, just continue to watch your show on your smartphone. You can even plug your earphones into your mobile while watching late-night TV on the big screen as to minimise any disturbance to your sleeping family.

It's better to plug your Smart TV directly into the Internet router than using the Wi-Fi connection. This provides the most reliable Internet connection which reduces disruption to video streaming.

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SMART FEATURE #4: SCREEN ART

This is more about aesthetics, rather than an actual smart feature but having the TV double as wall art is pretty revolutionary. For those looking to buy TV screens that are 65" and up, looking at a large, pitch black screen when the TV's turned off just doesn't sound very appealing. The astounding screen art of these Smart TVs therefore

brings the opportunity to make its much-raved image technology work harder for your décor needs.

No more staring at a black and blank screen with **Samsung QLED TVs**. Their new Magic Screen feature blends perfectly into your living room's backdrop by showcasing decorative

content, useful information or your personal photo gallery, and plays music even when the screen is off.

The **LG B8** showcases beautiful wallpaper when you select OLED Gallery Mode. Be amazed by breathtaking popular art pieces and seasonality themes in collaboration with TripAdvisor.



BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

Sony is stepping up their OLED TV game with the A9F MASTER Series – a powerful machine which fuses phenomenal qualities of sound and picture.



Boasting one of the most sophisticated image processors and an enhanced Acoustic Surface Audio™, the Sony A9F 4K OLED HDR TV looks set to become a hot commodity that every 4K TV enthusiast will be lusting after. For starters, it features the Netflix Calibrated Mode, which is specially developed to reproduce Netflix originals of the same picture quality on a TV as on a studio evaluation master. To add excitement, it comes with the latest Android 8.0 Oreo and this definitely puts it at the forefront of Android Smart TVs. Packed with high-end innovative TV features, the A9F delivers a smart and stunning performance where picture and sound are paired in exceptional harmony.

Crisp, Bright & Incredibly True-to-Life

You won't be able to take your eyes off the A9F's 4K OLED screen; once you take in its luxurious colours and defined details. The unparalleled processing power of the Picture Processor X1™ Ultimate intelligently integrates the deep black and natural colour of OLED with Pixel Contrast Booster™ for an enhanced colour contrast in high luminance. Besides vivid colours, a notable update in its Object-based HDR remaster offers brilliant image definition, accurate texture and realistic pictures; as intended by the creators.

With that, the A9F truly showcases the Sony MASTER Series' expertise in mastering content creation with filmmakers. It is Sony's goal and passion to faithfully convey the creators' full intent and with the A9F's top-of-

the-line images, it is all out to conquer and elevate the limits of picture quality.

Full-Bodied, Directional Sound

Rewriting the sound quality of TV audio with the introduction of the Acoustic Surface Audio™, the A9F series comes with three actuators and two powerful subwoofers. Sound comes directly from the screen, with the actuators vibrating behind from the OLED panel itself to lock acoustics smoothly with the picture. Amplifying sound in multiple dimensions are the side-facing subwoofers which round up the immersive cinematic sound experience.

Android 8.0 Oreo Platform & Hands-Free Voice Search

These are exciting times for the Android smart TV, especially with the Android 8.0 Operating System landing within the A9F series. Using the Android TV Hands-free Voice Search Function on this platform is pretty much effortless. By giving voice commands to the built-in microphone, there's no need for navigation via the remote control or endless typing. This advanced voice control feature satisfies your entertainment needs easily and lets you enjoy movies and your favourite shows in an instant.

Available in 65" and 55" models.

SONY

For more information, visit www.sony.com.sg/electronics/televisions/a9f-series



THE RIGHT FIT

Determine the size of soundbar you require by first measuring your television. Does it fit within the dimensions of the TV for mounting directly on the screen? Or do you prefer a wider unit for mounting on a wall bracket above or below the screen? You also need to make a decision on whether it should sit on your TV console or be wall-mounted.

**SAMSUNG
HARMAN
KARDON
N950**

raise THE BAR

TAKE YOUR HOME ENTERTAINMENT EXPERIENCE TO THE NEXT LEVEL WITH THESE SOUNDBARS.

Boasting Dolby Atmos and DTS:X technologies, this power-packed soundbar produces dimensional sound that moves naturally and puts you right in the middle of the action. 17 speakers, including upward and side-firing speakers pump things up and with a wide range tweeter; it produces consistently great sound anywhere in the room. With the innovative features of Samsung's home entertainment solutions and Harman Kardon's audio technical expertise, these two brands push the boundaries to make sweet, state-of-the-art music together with this outstanding soundbar.

Minus the messy wires and bulky speakers, the Bluetooth-enabled soundbar makes a sleek and space-saving solution to upgrade your TV's sound.

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**SONY
HT-Z9F**

Partnering with Meridian technology, this LG Premium Range soundbar is powered by the Dolby Atmos® sound system. It encompasses height-adjustable volume control to enhance the full Dolby Atmos® effect which also works well to accommodate the height of each home. It also enhances the cinematic sound experience through three-dimensional audio and with 4K Pass-through. To express high sound quality, it even helps to up-convert the audio to 24bit 96kHz.

**LG
SK10Y**



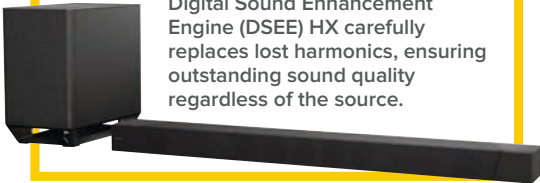
Packing a punch to your entertainment experience is this Dolby Atmos®-supported soundbar which refines everything from dialogue to action scenes with astounding clarity, richness, detail and depth. It is also outfitted with Vertical Surround Engine, Sony's latest surround technology to reproduce vertical virtual sound that moves around you from its three front speakers. Another notable feature is the Wireless Multi-Room which allows seamless music streaming in multiple rooms, and extended connectivity with optional wireless rear speakers.

the SMART MOVE

**A FIVE-STEP GUIDE TO
TRANSFORMING YOUR HOME
TO A CONNECTED HOME.**

Sony HT-ST5000

Discover full 7.1.2ch audio immersion with this award-winning Dolby Atmos soundbar. Enjoy easy access to a wealth of music and more, thanks to Chromecast built-in and Spotify Connect. The S-Master HX Digital amplifier reduces distortion, while the Digital Sound Enhancement Engine (DSEE) HX carefully replaces lost harmonics, ensuring outstanding sound quality regardless of the source.



STEP 1: SMART HOME ASSISTANT

Buy a smart home assistant. It forms the foundation to help link your everyday devices under one network so you have control over them simultaneously. It acts like a control centre that comes in voice-activated hubs and can be connected to all your electrical appliances for easier communication.



STEP 2: SMART PLUGS

Install smart plugs that sit in between the power outlet and appliance that can be connected to an app to be switched on and off according to your preference. These plugs give you full control of your lights and appliances, with additional features like predetermined on and off times and syncing based on external events all at your fingertips.

STEP 3: SMOOTH WI-FI

Get a good Wi-Fi router that will ensure a stable connection to your smart home appliances. A new range of home routers called mesh routers, such as Google Wifi and Samsung Connect Home, are the latest solutions. They are made up of multiple wireless nodes that you can spread out so there will not be any blind spots in your home and have access to smoother and faster Wi-Fi connection in every corner.

STEP 4: SMART APPLIANCES

Equip your home with the smart electrical appliances you need by going room to room to figure what you need, from light bulbs to air-conditioners, kitchen appliances, right down to your home security system. The choices are countless, so be sure to do sufficient research to verify that your smart appliances complement your smart home system before purchasing.

STEP 5: SMART HOME SECURITY

Lastly, protect your abode by introducing a smart home security system that will give you a piece of mind when you are away on a work trip or vacation. Smart locks can be installed on your door and it will notify you when someone locks and unlocks the door, as well as allow you to create permanent and temporary access schedule for family and friends based on specific hours and days of the week.

GET SMART AT GAIN CITY

Before taking the plunge, get a taste of the full-fledged smart home experience at Gain City's showflats at Megastore @ Sungei Kadut! Scan the QR code to check out their smart home video now!





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With the full launch of the Open Electricity Market (OEM), enjoy guaranteed savings on your home electricity bill with iSwitch's attractive price plans.

From November 2018 onwards, residents staying across Singapore will be able to choose an electricity plan that will best suit their lifestyle and household needs while enjoying generous perks and cash-savings.

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ASUS ZenBook Pro 15

From 1.88 kg 15.6-inch Display Up to 9.5 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

The ASUS ScreenPad™ is an interactive display with helpful functions, making multi-tasking a breeze. There's also the Screen Extender mode which transforms the ScreenPad™ as a secondary display, allowing you to watch videos on it while working on your important tasks.

Lenovo IdeaPad 330S

From 1.67 kg 14-inch Display Up to 7 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

It boasts state-of-the-art processors and accelerated graphics performance to let you power through any task like a pro. The latest generation of Intel® Core™ i7 processors also offer up to a 40 per cent improvement in performance for seamless multi-tasking.



STUDENT

Be it design school or regular school, you'll need a laptop that can handle all your heavy school assignments and projects, as well as some Photoshop editing to boost your social media status.



Dell G7

From 2.86 kg 15.6-inch Display Up to 7 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

At only 25mm, this system is both powerful and portable. It makes every click count with a keyboard built with multiple layers of reinforcement, 1.4mm keystroke travel and optional blue backlighting with WASD keys.

Acer Swift 3 Premium

From 1.35 kg 14-inch Display Up to 12 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

It packs a powerful performance with its latest gen processors within an ultra-slim 14.9mm body with super thin 6.1mm side bezels. Work on your assignments while editing a video or photo with its dedicated graphics with additional support for 512GB SSD storage.



GAMER

Avid gamers will need extra 'ammunition' in their laptops for a superior gaming session. That means extra storage, updated graphics drivers and a powerful processor to enjoy smooth, uninterrupted action.



HP Pavilion Gaming Laptop 15

From 2.17 kg 15.6-inch Display Up to 7 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

Integrating portability and rock-solid hardware for gameplay, this laptop also boasts fast Wi-Fi, enhanced sound, and a robust cooling solution in the form of dual fans with exhaust vents.

Acer Nitro 5 Notebook

From 2.7 kg 15.6-inch Display Up to 7 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

Its powerful NVIDIA® GeForce® graphics of up to GTX 1060 allows a truly immersive graphics experience with faster rendering, finer textures, and dynamic lighting to get into all the gaming action.



OL LADY

Bringing work home? A lightweight laptop will make commuting less of a chore.



Dell XPS 13

From 1.2 kg 13.3-inch Display Up to 19 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

This is one of the lightest laptops in the market; so compact it fits right on the airplane tray table. That doesn't compromise on its capabilities and it works wirelessly using advanced Bluetooth and WiFiDirect technologies to take full advantage of Dell Mobile Connect.

HP Envy 13 Laptop

From 1.21 kg 13.3-inch Display Up to 14 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

Thin is in and so is the HP Envy 13 which sports a sleek all-metal angular design. A dual 4K support allows stunning resolution while the latest gen processor brings smooth system responsiveness and fast loading times.



AVERAGE USER

Planning to use your laptop for a little bit of everything? If you just want a laptop that can take on multi-tasking, you're at the right place.



Lenovo Yoga 530

From 1.6 kg 14-inch Display Up to 10 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

For the complete package, the Yoga 530 is a 2-in-1 laptop packed with speed and power. Some notable features include the premium Intel® Core™ i7 processors and security options, Active Pen support, and dazzling visual and audio clarity for all of your multimedia needs.

ASUS VivoBook S15

From 1.8 kg 15.6-inch Display Up to 8 hours

WHAT'S HOT:

Featuring unique colour combinations with a choice of textured finishes, the VivoBook S15 comprises the three-sided NanoEdge display and ErgoLift hinge. Its latest 8th Generation Intel® Core™ processors and NVIDIA® discrete graphics will get you through productive multitasking, multimedia needs and more.

BIG ON ENTERTAINMENT

With a larger screen, more colour options and an ergonomic design, the ASUS VivoBook S15 is bound to be a popular pick.

With many now using the laptop for entertainment, the laptop screen size becomes all important. Providing the right balance of portability and comfortable viewing experience has proven to be a delicate balance.

ASUS VivoBook S15 has pushed the boundaries with its NanoEdge display. The three-sided display now sports an even narrower bezel to extend the screen size as much as possible. The result is an 86 per cent screen-to-body ratio for the optimum viewing experience. You can even enjoy a wide viewing angle on the 15.6-inch full HD display for vibrant, immersing entertainment. ASUS's

SonicMaster offers richer sound and deeper bass to enhance the experience.

In addition, the ASUS VivoBook S15 now comes in bright, fun colours and accents. So, if you're looking for a laptop with some personality, choose from the range of bold colours such as red, green and yellow. This model also sees an

enhancement of the ErgoLift design. With precision engineering, the ErgoLift hinge offers a smooth dual actual that holds the display securely at any angle. It tilts the keyboard up to 3.5 degrees for comfort while typing. The gap from the angle encourages air flow to remove heat efficiently and keep your laptop cool.



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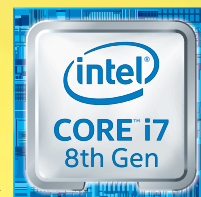
ASUS VivoBook S15 S530

Colours that match your vibe



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PURSUE YOUR PASSIONS

Made for high performance, connectivity and mobility, HP's Envy 13 laptops let you conquer all.

Dubbed the Passion Generation, millennials are keen about actualising their goals and dreams, whether for work or personal interests. Recognising this, HP has conceptualised laptops that let millennials focus on their interests and also panders to their need for style.

The HP Envy 13 range supports Gigabit Wi-Fi speeds for fast connectivity needed for streaming apps for movies, music and gaming. The 8th generation Intel® Quad Core™ processors put forth a smooth-multitasking experience and the power to create your own videos with support of up to 4K resolution. With its 4K



UHD display, you will find yourself immersed in entertainment content of mesmerizing picture quality. Accentuating the cinematic experience are quad HP speakers which are audio custom-tuned by the Bang & Olufsen sound experts.

The Envy 13 range also comes with features such as the all-new HP Command Centre to optimise system performance, fan noise and temperature with CoolSense technology. Check out the Envy 13, which sports a sleek all-metal design in pale

gold or natural silver. It also includes 8th generation Intel® Quad Core™ processors, optional NVIDIA® GeForce® MX150 graphics and security features including a fingerprint reader. With so many possibilities with the HP Envy 13 series, you can definitely take it out for a full day without worrying about battery life. A lasting 14 hours of battery life will power this lean mean machine through the day and with Fast Charge, you will always stay productive with the HP Envy laptop.



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SLEEK BUT POWERFUL

For gamers and go-getters, these savvy laptops from Acer will impress with its sleek designs and power-packed performance.

Be it work or play, Acer provides different laptops to meet different demands. Some might need to work on the go and that's where something lightweight and has a lasting battery life would come in handy. For others, the laptop could be a hub of enjoyment for games or movies.



Swift 3 Premium

Beautifully designed and lightweight, the Swift 3 Premium is only 14.9mm thin with

super-slim 6.1mm side bezels. Its 1.35kg design proves fuss-free and 12 hours of battery life is practical for those who need an ultra-portable laptop. This petite frame however, belies its powerful capabilities. It is supported by the latest 8th Gen Intel Core processors for a speedy system. Built for multi-tasking through different applications such as video editing or other multimedia needs, it is also equipped with the discrete NVIDIA® GeForce® MX150 graphics.

Acer Nitro 5

Gear up for gameplay with the Acer Nitro 5, which hails from the series of affordable gaming notebooks. Equipped with the latest 8th Generation Intel Core processors with up to six cores and NVIDIA® GeForce®



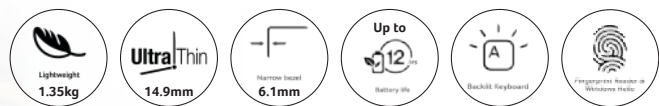
graphics up to GTX 1060, you can enjoy an immersive graphics experience with speedier rendering, clearer textures, and dynamic lighting. Acer's NitroSense utility monitors the status of the CPU/GPU. CoolBoost technology adjusts the dual fans for optimal performance. Looks wise, it comes with a 15.6-inch full HD IPS display, Dolby Audio™ Premium and Acer TrueHarmony™ technologies for a brilliant image and sound experience.

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Swift 3 Premium

SF314-55G



- 8th gen Intel® Core™ i5-8265U processor (Up to 3.9GHz)/ 8th gen Intel® Core™ i7-8565U processor (Up to 4.6GHz)
- Windows 10 Home (64-bit)
- 14" FHD IPS LED-backlit Narrow Bezel Display
- NVIDIA® GeForce® MX150 (2GB GDDR5 VRAM)
- 8GB DDR4 RAM, 512GB PCIe NVMe SSD
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Durability, speed and power in the Lenovo Yoga S730 notebook.

Ever since Lenovo released its Yoga series in 2012, it has evolved the design and capabilities that make the best use of the series' key feature: the hinged screen. The Yoga series allows you to use it easily as a laptop or a tablet, making it the perfect device whether in the office, at home or on the move.

Aside from helping you fulfil work tasks with ease, the Lenovo Yoga S730 features capabilities that raise the bar for personal entertainment. The Dolby Vision™ and Dolby Atmos Speaker System provide advanced imaging technology and three-dimensional surround sound that boost the experience of enjoying your favourite blockbuster movies on your notebook.



All that content streaming for movie and television series marathons, as well as other tasks such as movie editing or apps that run concurrently, would require superior hardware. Yoga S730's 13.3" Full High Definition, Intel® Core™ i7-8265U Processor, and 512GB M.2 2280 NVME

pack the device with speed and power for seamless multitasking, quicker bootups and fuss-free communications with its 720P HD Camera. With Integrated Graphics, it uses less power and so improves battery life. The device offers up to 10 hours of battery life. Its charging technology can give you eight hours of use with just an hour of charging.

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STYLE & SUBSTANCE

Dell Inspiron 5480 makes the ultimate cut for performance and portability.

Shopping for a laptop can be a tedious affair. Your search might end here with the Dell Inspiron 5480. This 14-inch laptop offers the capabilities and style that you would want anywhere in the world.

The 1.48kg laptop features an aluminum cover and a slim design for portability and durability. For efficient and smooth handling of concurrent apps, video editing, streaming of content or programming, the Inspiron 5480 is equipped with the powerful latest 8th Generation Intel® Core™ processors. As with Dell, you can opt to personalise the features. The optional NVIDIA® GeForce® discrete graphics can handle intense photo- or video-editing without slowing down



performance with 2GB of GDDR5 optional discrete graphics. Choose from a variety of storage options including up to 256GB PCIe SSD and dual drives so that you'll have space for documents, photos and projects.

When it is time for entertainment though, the Inspiron 5480 offers an immersive experience thanks to Dell Cinema. With CinemaColor, CinemaStream and CinemaSound, image, streaming and sound quality enjoy peak performance when you are watching the latest hit series and your much-loved movies.

Dell's Mobile Connect also seamlessly integrates your PC with your smartphone, whether the latter is an iOS or Android smartphone. You can even channel your notifications from phone calls, SMS, IM and other apps to your laptop. All data connects to your laptop securely via Dell's secure connection.



STYLE MEETS SOPHISTICATION

New Inspiron 14 5000 (5480)

5480-826822G-W10

- 8th Gen Intel® Core™ i5-8265U Processor
- Windows 10 Home
- 8GB DDR4 Memory
- 256GB M.2 PCIe NVMe SSD
- NVIDIA® GeForce® MX150 2GB GDDR5
- 14.0" FHD (1920 x 1080) Anti Glare LED Backlit Display IPS Narrow Border
- 1 Yr Premium Support

After free upgrade:

- Dell Essential Backpack
- Pre-installed w/ 12 months subscription of McAfee® LiveSafe™

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- 8th Gen Intel® Core™ i7-8565U Processor
- Windows 10 Home
- 8GB DDR4 Memory
- 1TB +128GB M.2 PCIe NVMe SSD
- NVIDIA® GeForce® MX150 2GB GDDR5
- 14.0" FHD (1920 x 1080) Anti Glare LED Backlit Display IPS Narrow Border
- 1 Yr Premium Support

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- Windows 10 Home
- 8GB DDR4 Memory
- 512GB M.2 PCIe NVMe SSD
- Intel® UHD Graphic 620
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- 1 Yr Premium Support

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- 8th Gen Intel® Core™ i7-8565U Processor
- Windows 10 Home
- 16GB DDR4 Memory
- 512GB M.2 PCIe NVMe SSD
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- 13.3" FHD (1920 x 1080) IPS Truelife LED-Backlit Display
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WHAT'S Essential?

PRACTICAL PLANNING

Your top considerations while shopping for a sofa or mattress. Plus, the basic rules to kitchen planning and your must-have cooking and cleaning appliances.

mattress MATTERS

A THIRD OF OUR LIVES ARE SPENT ON THE MATTRESS SO IT'S ESSENTIAL TO GET THE RIGHT ONE TO SUIT OUR SLEEPING HABITS. THIS MATTRESS SHOPPING GUIDE WILL LEAD YOU TOWARDS ACHIEVING QUALITY SLEEP.



Image courtesy of **MaxCoil** featuring the Forest Amethyst mattress collection

Mattress Testing Guide

4 top tips from MaxCoil

- 1.**
Be in comfortable clothing when you lie down on the mattress
- 2.**
Pair the mattress you are trying out with a suitable pillow
- 3.**
If you share the bed with your partner, both of you should try out the mattress together and in different sleeping positions
- 4.**
Limit the testing to just three models. Any more than that it and it will get confusing



**RECOMMENDED
MATCH**

For Back Sleepers

Spinal support is the primary consideration when purchasing a new mattress. A mattress that is too soft will not provide the right amount of pushback required, and if you sink into the mattress at the heaviest part of your body, this over-extension of your spine can lead to lower back pain. As such, always look for mattresses that are firm enough to provide ample and prolonged spinal support.

The Snooze II mattress from MaxCoil offers a firmer back support with its Euro Top Medium firm comfort padding.

SLEEP REDEFINED

Heighten your quality of sleep with the rejuvenating attributes of MaxCoil's new FORREST Amethyst mattress series.

Revered for its purifying and healing properties, the Amethyst is a power gem known to rid the negativity of stress and anxiety. The powerful and calming qualities of these highly-prized purple crystals are encapsulated into MaxCoil's latest mattress collection, the FORREST Amethyst.

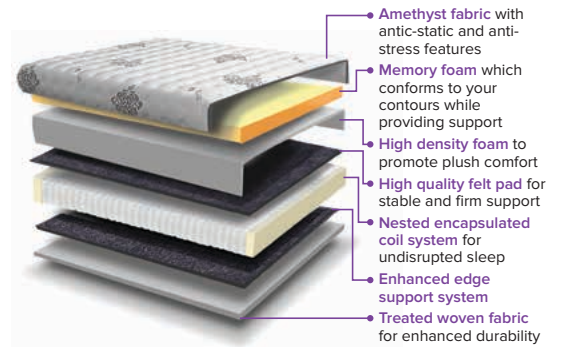
Through innovative microencapsulated technology and by partnering with prominent mattress fabric brand Boyteks, MaxCoil has designed a luxurious mattress selection which maximises the quality of your sleep. With that, the three mattress models –Amethyst I, II and III– in the collection bring you different levels of comfort and firmness respectively to better complement your unique sleeping preference.



Amethyst I delivers a medium firm back support and with its Encapsulated Coil system, it provides a well-rounded back support to relieve pressure points. For those who like it plush and snug, Amethyst II's Belgium natural latex and MaxCoil's Fusion Flow Foam fuse a balance of soft comfort and better air circulation. Last but not least, Amethyst III comprises natural latex and memory for a medium soft comfort level.



Featuring FORREST Amethyst I and its material highlights



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- Supersoft high density foam provides optimal comfort and ultra-snug feel
- High resilient latex contours to the body while relieving pressure points to support natural spine alignment.

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For Side Sleepers

Side sleepers don't always remain in the same position, alternating between foetus positions and legs stretched out throughout the night. With this constant change in sleeping positions, it is essential for the shoulders and hips to be adequately supported to relieve pressure on these specific points. As such, it is necessary to go for mattresses that are soft enough to be able to contour to the curves of the sleeper's body.

RECOMMENDED MATCH

Most ideal for side sleepers, the **Omazz Felton Creek** from Lotus Bedding offers up to 33 per cent more pressure relief than ordinary latex. It features three layers of **Authentic Talatech™ Latex** from USA which instantly conforms to body shape while providing gentle and pressure-relieving support.

An average mattress can last about three to five years while a good quality mattress can last about six to 10 years. It is time to change your mattress when there is noticeable sagging and it does not return to its shape.

LEE KHENG SOO, DIRECTOR, LOTUS BEDDING(S) PTE LTD

To provide perfect pressure relief for side sleepers, the **Lotus Modica** from Lotus Bedding features additional coil height to offer the sensation of a deep body embrace. With an increased number in micro-sized pocketed coils as well, weight balance and support are further enhanced to optimum levels.

RECOMMENDED MATCH



BACK-FRIENDLY BEDS
Lotus Bedding recommends a firmer mattress with Latex padding at the top for the elderly or those with back problems.

Mattress Types 101



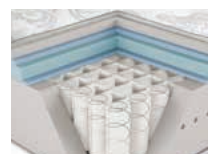
MEMORY FOAM

It distributes weight evenly and comes in a variety of support levels.



SPRING

These are made with spring coil and are designed to keep sleepers cool.



HYBRID

Made with different layers of spring coils and foam, hybrid mattresses offer the elasticity of spring with the support of foam.



LATEX

These are super comfortable and allow for a cooler night's sleep thanks to its extremely breathable contents that result in a good airflow throughout the mattress.

SUPPORT YOU NEED WHILE YOU SLEEP

The Omazz Frangton mattress from Lotus Bedding makes quality sleep a dream come true.

With sleep so precious for people living in a city like Singapore, a good mattress that fits your body and sleeping style can make a difference to how you feel throughout the day. Lotus Bedding introduces the Omazz Frangton mattress for better sleep with these divine qualities.



Special Support System

Because of the curves and weight distribution of the human body, some areas may require more support than the others. That is why the Omazz Frangton offers a special support system with five unique zones in its pocketed coil mattress. Each provides distinctive weight support with its Organique foam layers, which feature a honeycomb structure. The Frangton's Coil-in-Coil support system also includes a secondary inner coil which creates Duo-Balance support for maximum weight distribution.



Cool Comfort

For the ultimate comfort, Omazz uses a 100 per cent natural mattress cover with Italian Merino wool layers. The natural Italian Merino wool boasts temperature-regulating attributes while offering exceptionally soft and lightweight textures. By absorbing moisture up to 30 per cent of its own weight, it prevents the clammy feeling and transfers humidity seven times quicker than other textile fibres for a cool and dry sleeping environment.



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SOFA, so good

LEATHER OR FABRIC? PUT AN END TO THE ULTIMATE SOFA SHOPPING DILEMMA WITH THESE PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS.



COMFORT

Some may favour the plushness of a fabric sofa while others may like the medium firm comfort level of a leather sofa. Whatever your preference is, it's best to take a seat on the ones you like for the best gauge. One thing to note is that leather absorbs heat faster than fabric so if you hate sitting on a hot seat, fabric would be more apt for your comfort needs.



APPEARANCE & DURABILITY

In terms of colours and patterns, fabric sofas have a flashier outlook than leather sofas. The latter usually comes in muted neutral tones. Though there is an endless

variety of tones and patterns for fabric sofas, the downside is the colour tends to fade out quickly due to frequent usage or washing. Leather is therefore the stronger contender in this aspect with its colour durability.



MAINTENANCE

Leather sofas are prone to cracking but can handle stains and spills well with its waterproof exterior. It will require regular maintenance such as softening or polishing and especially if it's made of genuine premium leather. With washable and changeable sofa covers, fabric sofas might require less work on maintenance. It is therefore a more ideal choice for households with kids or pets.



BUDGET

On the whole, fabric sofas are more cost-friendly than leather sofas. A decent three-seater sofa can start from S\$500 while a similar leather sofa is usually double of that. Making the right choice however; all boils down to your own preferences. Do also take into account the ease of cleaning, comfort level and durability.



OTHER FACTORS

Leather sofas do not accumulate dust mites, pet dander and other allergens as easily as fabric sofas. It is hypoallergenic and is recommended for those who suffer from allergies.

5 DON'TS TO MAKE YOUR SOFA LAST LONGER



Don't sit on the same seat all the time.

Don't sleep on your sofa.

Don't position it near sunlight.

Don't let spills or stain set.

Don't keep your cushions in the same spot; rotate or flip it often!

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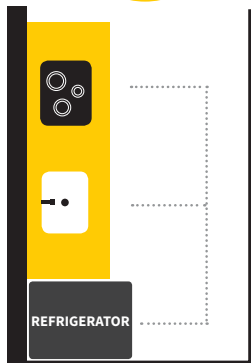
recipe for SUCCESS

PLANNING THE PERFECT KITCHEN LAYOUT IS ABOVE STYLE OR INSTALLING ENOUGH STORAGE. HERE ARE SOME COMMON AND PRACTICAL LAYOUTS TO CONSIDER.



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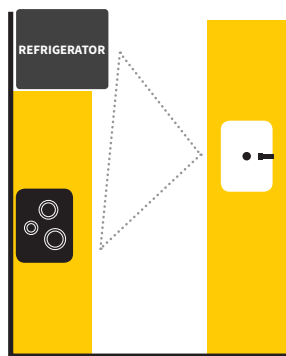
LAYOUT #1: One-wall



MOST IDEAL FOR STUDIO APARTMENTS

The refrigerator and stove sit on opposite ends for safety reasons. The sink is positioned in the centre for clean-up convenience. Laid out on one wall, which is where it gets its name, the one-wall is not meant for more than one cook as countertop space is often limited.

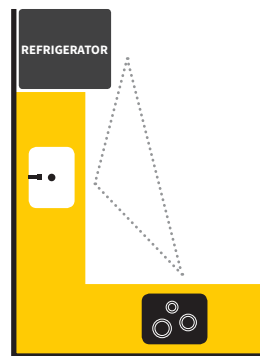
LAYOUT #2: Gallery



MOST IDEAL FOR BTO HDB FLATS

This layout is well-suited for the designated long and narrow floor area of BTO kitchens. It is the go-to style unless the original configuration is drastically altered. The narrow layout also suggests that getting enough light can be an issue and a common solution is to enclose it with glass or to have a serving window.

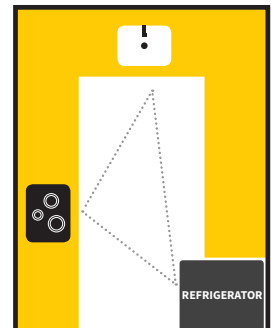
LAYOUT #3: L-Shaped



MOST IDEAL FOR OLDER HDB FLATS AND APARTMENTS

Turning the L-shaped layout into an eat-in kitchen is easy as you can just add a four- to six-seater table near the fridge. This layout will be appreciated by people who entertain as it can accommodate multiple cooks. If space permits, you can even add an island counter.

LAYOUT #4: U-Shaped



MOST IDEAL FOR OLDER HDB FLATS AND OPEN-CONCEPT SPACES

This is another efficient working layout for households who cook on a daily basis. With only one way in and out, it is well-suited for one primary cook as it keeps onlookers and small children out of the main cooking area.

COOK LIKE A PRO

With an Auto Cook function, this wonder oven from Brandt allows you to master different dishes at your fingertips.

Brandt is proud to announce our 2018 award winning "Best Built-In-Oven" by The Singapore Women's Weekly magazine that features the Auto Cook function. This smart oven has 9 selections of auto cook programmes for outstanding cooking results. Whip up the perfect dish with the auto cook mode that determines the ideal temperature and cooking time required based on the dish. Cooking is now convenient and more intuitive than ever with reliable kitchen appliances!

Pyro-Express

Brandt's patented Pyro-Express technology decimates food remains for a speedy and energy saving clean-up in 59 minutes using residual high temperature from previous cooking. It is 50 per cent more economical than conventional pyro cleaning processes.

Quattro Pulse Technology combined with Rotating Heat

Taste the difference with our infused Quattro Pulse technology that leverages on the diffusion of heated air into the cavity. Heated air is then accelerated for consistent temperature around the cavity to ensure cooking quality on all levels are perfectly consistent each time.

Sleek Aesthetics & Safety Features

The multifunction oven comes in stainless steel, which lends a contemporary and

modern appearance to the kitchen. Apart from aesthetics, safety features were taken into consideration during the design process. The oven boasts a cool door lined with four layers of glass panels and a soft close door opening, making it ideal for families with young children. Granted the "Origine France Garantie" label which officially certifies its French origin, Brandt guarantees assured quality of our products, with two years standard manufacturer's warranty from point of delivery.



SMART and savvy

**CHANGE THE WAY YOU COOK AND
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HOME APPLIANCES.**

BOSCH KITCHEN MACHINE (MUM59340GB)

GAME-CHANGER: This kitchen all-rounder's amazing multi-functionality will save much time, effort and countertop space! It beats, mixes, whisks and kneads, while a continuous shredder of three metal discs covers chopping, shredding and slicing. Not to mention; it also comes with a citrus press, a blender jug and a meat mincer.



BOSCH 90CM CHIMNEY HOOD (DWB091E50)

GAME-CHANGER: Noisy cooking hoods are pretty much a thing of yesterday with its EcoSilence Drive™ feature keeping the operating sound to a minimal. The dishwasher-safe metal grease filters also comprise up to five layers which facilitate easy cleaning.



BRANDT 3 ZONE INDUCTION HOB (BPI6309B)

GAME-CHANGER: New to induction cooking? This 60cm induction hob comprises a user-friendly layout with 10 heat levels with a boost function. With that, you get instant access to the maximum power of the zones to attain fast and superior cooking results.



TEFAL ULTRABLEND COOK BLENDER

GAME-CHANGER: For a blender that does it all, this high power blender cooks and then churns out a tasty variety of hot and cold concoctions. This handy kitchen tool can take on ice crushed cocktails with its Tripl' Ax Pro blades and other perfect mixes like compotes, coulis, sauces or smooth soups effortlessly.

LG INSTAVIEW DOOR-IN-DOOR™ REFRIGERATOR

GAME-CHANGER: Check out the contents of your fridge without opening the door. With the InstaView feature, you only need to knock twice on the stylish tinted glass panel for the interior to light up. This minimises cold air loss by up to 41 per cent and also saves more energy.

COLOUR YOUR KITCHEN

Spice things up in the cookspace with the award-winning Bosch VarioStyle Bottom Freezer Fridge.

As more homes adopt the open plan concept, the boundaries between spaces are dissolving as time goes by. With the kitchen often part of the dining area, every part of the home can be viewed easily. The need for kitchen appliances to evolve aesthetically is growing, and Bosch has taken it up a notch with the VarioStyle Bottom Freezer Fridge.

Bosch has provided a wide range of colour door panels that you can easily mount onto the refrigerator door. You can create up to 19 fresh looks with these

panels. The colours span from Cherry Red and Aqua to muted nature-inspired hues like Coffee Brown and Stone Grey. The panels are made of high-quality galvanised sheet steel. Mounting is easy; there is no need for tools thanks to the use of invisible hooks and magnets. Notably, the flat, angular design of the panels ensures that they blend easily with cabinet fronts.

Aside from style, this Red Dot award winner boasts innovative technology and design features that help to retain the freshness of your food. Among them are

the VitaFresh compartments, which provide two climate zones for maintaining the right storage conditions. This allows you to keep your fruits and vegetables fresh for a longer period of time. Fish and meat can be also stored in a hygienic environment with a low temperature setting of 0°C. The AirFresh Filter minimises odour transfer from one food to another, retaining the natural flavor of your produce. Furthermore, you are able to cool food quickly when you activate the SuperCooling function, which switches off automatically after six hours to save energy.



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SPOTLESS EFFICIENCY

With the Dyson Cyclone V10™ vacuum cleaner, now you can clean every corner of your home with ultra ease.

Let's face it; house cleaning is a big part of our daily lives. That is why a vacuum cleaner that is light and powerful makes the task free from hassle. With the Dyson Cyclone V10™ vacuum cleaner, you can do away with bulky, corded and heavy conventional vacuum cleaners.

Stronger Suction Power

Dyson has also improved its motor. The V10 digital motor is smaller and lighter, yet it packs 20 per cent more suction power than the Dyson V8™ cord-free vacuum with its 125,000 times per second revolution. All of this is made possible with the re-engineered motor and improved materials that would allow it to cope with the faster motor.

Cleaning Performance Redefined

In addition, sensors on the V10 digital motor keep track of the altitude, barometric pressure, temperature and weather to give you optimum performance no matter where in the world. The Dyson Cyclone V10™ also sets itself apart with its cyclones and bin assembly that create a linear air flow for efficiency. It comes with a 'point and shoot' bin emptying mechanism. Available, too, is the option to have up to 40 per cent bigger bin capacity so that you can clean more of your space and empty it less frequently.



Lasting Battery Life

As it is a cord-free vacuum cleaner, one common concern is the battery life. This is where Dyson has also introduced an energy-dense battery that does not add to the weight. With improved technology, it provides up to 60 minutes of suction. More than enough to clean the home, you can even bring it down to your car.

LA GERMANIA PRIMA SERIES COOKERS

GAME-CHANGER: In snazzy red, latte or blue amongst more outstanding colours, the eye-popping aesthetics of these 90cm freestanding cookers are integrated with cutting-edge engineering and sophisticated materials. Also noteworthy are its powerful gas burners and an extra large 142-litre electric oven.



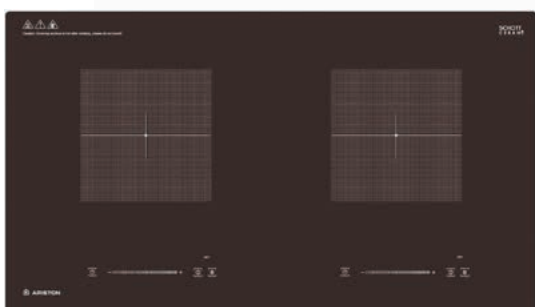
PHILIPS DELUXE COLLECTION MULTICOOKER (HD2145/62)

GAME-CHANGER: From the main dish to dessert, you can pretty much serve up anything with this all-in-one cooker. Its Dual control system accurately controls the cooking temperature to churn out high quality meals and gourmet cuisine easily at home.



ARISTON INDUCTION HOB (NIG720BS)

GAME-CHANGER: Enjoy the ultimate convenience by having this hob built in into your kitchen countertop or as a steamboat hob for the upcoming festivities. Just plug and turn it on, and slide the touch slider control to start cooking!



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LG TWINWash® WASHING MACHINE

GAME-CHANGER: Instead of waiting for one load of laundry to be done, the revolutionary LG TWINWash® cuts down the waiting time by washing two loads at once. A main washer handles the general load while a mini washer can take small loads such as your delicates or baby clothing.

KADEKA SIGNATURE SERIES WINE CHILLER

GAME-CHANGER:

The first wine chiller range in Singapore to be equipped with Inverter technology, its Inverter Compressor saves on energy while providing powerful, superior cooling. It also provides a quiet, low-vibration storage area for your wines to mature in an optimal condition.



SAMSUNG SIDE-BY-SIDE REFRIGERATOR (RS68N8322S9/SS)

GAME-CHANGER: Thanks to its SpaceMax Technology™, this refrigerator boasts 100L more storage space than other conventional models. Internal capacity is therefore increased without having to expand the external dimensions and without compromising on the insulation; which makes it perfect for large households short on space.



SAMSUNG POWERSTICK PRO™ HAND STICK

GAME-CHANGER: Compact and user-friendly, this cordless vacuum cleaner boasts a patented ergonomic Flex Handle. It folds up to 50 degree and allows you to access low furniture and hard-to-reach corners easily.

Fridge Care Tips from Samsung



Regularly use a dry cloth to remove all foreign substances such as dust or water from the power plug terminals and contact points.



To keep your appliance looking at its best, polish the exterior once or twice a year.



The door may not close properly if the rubber seals are dirty. Keeping it clean will help to improve the efficiency in the cooling process.

RICE TO THE OCCASION

Be bowled over by the Tefal Steam Pro IH Fuzzy Logic Rice Cooker and its innovative capabilities of cooking delicious rice.

Using innovative technology to serve the perfect bowl of rice, this 1.8L rice cooker will not keep you second-guessing about the quality of your rice. Its Innovative Steam Technology cooks moist rice while its Induction Heating Technology provides precise temperature control.

Spherical Pot Technology

What's unique is its exclusive spherical pot technology. This provides optimal heat circulation for homogeneous cooking and for whipping up delicious, fluffy rice. The inner pot itself is coated with a six-layer 3mm thick Titanium. Known for its ultralight but super resilient exterior, Titanium is bacteria-inhibitive and exceptionally corrosion-

resistant. Washing away leftover rice is also easy with its slick surface.

Voice Navigation Guide

A built-in voice navigation system lets you understand more about the process of cooking and updates you as well on the progress. With a selection of English or Cantonese languages, this is truly every mom's best friend in the kitchen.



Versatile Multi-Cooker

There are a total of 36 cooking programs to choose from. This offers great versatility for you to cook your favourite dishes and to achieve convenient, fool-proof results every time. From different rice types and textures, you will be a pro in your kitchen by mastering these recipes with a touch of a button!

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DRYER short-cuts

GOT 5 MINUTES? THIS FUSS-FREE DRYER GUIDE WILL GIVE YOU THE LOWDOWN ON THE BENEFITS AND HOW TO CARE FOR ONE.



MORE FREE TIME

It's no longer a waiting game while you wait for Mr Sun to dry your clothes. A dryer cuts down precious time and effort (no more hanging or keeping the clothes when it rains) as compared to the traditional methods.



SAVES SPACE

You can stack your dryer on top of the front load washer in a neat order in the service/ laundry yard.



REFRESH & ELIMINATE ALLERGENS

A dryer will help remove odours from clothes without

washing them. It can also remove dust mites, fluff and pet hairs.



IRONING-FRIENDLY

Contrary to popular belief that a dryer will wrinkle your clothes, Whirlpool dryers have a steam function to remove wrinkles, as well as static and odours. Turning on the anti-crease or wrinkle shield programme will also facilitate ironing.



ZERO SHRINKAGE

Another misconception is that the dryer will shrink your clothes! That only happens when there is a lack of moisture. Many dryers are equipped with a motion sensor that will automatically shut off when the clothes are dry.

DRYER DOS

Whirlpool recommends 6 ways to keep your dryer running in tip top condition



Always select the correct programme/drying time for the load to get the perfect drying results.



Clean the door filter after EACH drying cycle.



Empty the empty the water tank after each programme (for models with Heat Pump and condenser).



Clean the bottom filter regularly.



Always check the maximum load allowed in the programme chart to avoid over-loading.



Always select the right programme for your fabric



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TURN UP THE HEAT

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Make your festive parties or even everyday cooking a breeze with easy-to-use ovens from Ariston. Whether you are preparing your yearly roasts or signature cakes and pastries, Ariston ovens are built to handle them just the way you like it.

With multi-flow technology, the ovens promote circulation of air in all directions for even cooking. The electronic temperature control keeps swings in temperature to the minimum – at a maximum of 2 degrees Celsius – to ensure constant heat. These two features work hand in hand to ensure consistency and superior cooking performance.

Enlist the help of assisted cycles to get perfect cooking results. These semi-



Featuring the Ariston Multi Function Pyrolytic Oven F17 891 SP IX A AUS

automatic cycles will recommend the cooking parameters, ideal temperature and shelf settings for what you are cooking. You can also select from 28 unique preset recipes, so the oven will automatically adjust all cooking settings to the dish for excellent results.

Most home cooks will agree that

cleaning up is the least favourite part of the process. So, simply choose from Express or Standard pyrolytic cycles to combat different levels of stains. It safely locks the oven door and heats up to 470 degrees Celsius to burn off any fat and grease without using any detergent. All that's left to do is wipe the surface with a damp cloth.

COOK UP A FEAST

The new Philips Airfryer does more than fry – it roasts, bakes and grills – all with one touch.

The Philips Airfryer made waves when it first launched in 2010 for its innovative method of frying for food with less fat and oil. Since then, Philips has released new versions, with the latest being the Philips Airfryer XXL from the Avance collection. Its family-sized capacity of 1.4kg can handle larger portions of your favourite foods, so you can prepare more fries at one go or even cook a whole chicken.

It boasts the Twin TurboStar technology, which creates a tornado of hot air to melt away fats from food. Once cooking is done, you will find the extracted fat stored in the bottom. As a result, what you get is tasty food with up to 90 per cent less fat.



The Airfryer XXL also lets you fry, bake, grill and roast. So, you do not have to limit your cooking repertoire! The digital display comes with five preset cooking programmes for effortless cooking. From meat, fish and breaded snacks to roasted vegetables, it is all up to your imagination. Preparing cakes, muffins and other pastries with the Airfryer XXL is also easy. Philips provides recipes for you to explore and enjoy with the Airfryer XXL.



Another useful feature is its KeepWarm mode, so you can keep the dishes warm before the guests arrive.

PHILIPS

Airfryer

A healthier way to fry

Designed to extract more fat from your food and capture it all in the dishwasher safe fat reducer for easy disposal, Philips Airfryers with Twin TurboStar technology also save you and your home from the odor of traditional deep-frying. More than just frying, Philips Airfryers let you grill, roast and even bake your favorite dishes to enjoy great tasting food with up to 90% less fat*.

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Airfryer XXL
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NEW



Twin TurboStar
Fat removal technology

*Compared to fresh fries prepared in a conventional Philips fryer.

Source Euromonitor International Ltd; low fat fryers is per light fryers category definition; retail volume sales 2013-2017.



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SINGER-SONGWRITER ANNETTE LEE'S 4-ROOM HDB FLAT UNIT IS AS SPACIOUS AS IT GETS. MUCH LIKE HER INDIE POP-ROCK MUSIC, THIS MULTI-TALENTED ARTISTE'S RECONFIGURED FLAT IS A UNIQUE MEDLEY OF ECLECTIC AND INDUSTRIAL STYLES.



FACT FILE

SPACE

4-ROOM
HDB FLAT

SIZE

1,130 SQUARE
FEET

LOCATION

TOA PAYOH

DESIGNER

GLYNIS NG,
ZYNC[STUDIO
+WORKSHOP]

RENO PERIOD

8 MONTHS

W What are some memorable highlights of your renovation journey?

I really enjoyed choosing the tiles. There are quite a few statement tiles like the kitchen backsplash and the feature wall in the master bedroom. The tiles were pretty much a fun decision because it adds pops of colour to the otherwise neutral backdrop of the house. My favourite design features are the golden taps and towel racks in the master bathroom. I initially wanted regular silver but these are so unique so I just had to have them!



COMMUNAL ZONES

Big on entertaining, Annette chose to have two facing low-back sofas to accommodate more guests and to facilitate flowing conversations.



FRESH CONFIGURATIONS

Designer Glynis Ng from zync[studio +workshop] hacked away much of the boundary walls and re-configured the space with frosted glass and tinted mirror finishes to fully maximise the 1,130-square-foot area.



DINING ROOM

Not one but two tables in concrete flank the dining space and are outlined by a mix of dining chairs and a built-in bench seat with storage.



Outfitted in a similar laminate finish as the dining zone, the open-concept kitchen sports a striking series of mosaic tiles to break the grey cement look.

that is regal and almost futuristic. Our ID Glynis Ng from zync[studio +workshop] did a great job in fusing those two styles together and creating something unique and modern. The Peranakan-style tiles in the kitchen backsplash are a homage to my Peranakan heritage too!

Any good advice for homeowners starting on their own renovations?

Rather than try to search for designers and contractors on your own, get recommendations from friends who have recently renovated their homes. This is to prevent bad working experiences. I was really blessed to have a pretty fuss-free renovation experience and it's because my designer and contractor were highly-recommended with good testimonials from previous clients.

Why did you choose a resale flat over a brand new HDB BTO unit?

Annette: I chose a resale flat because I wouldn't have to wait for years to get it and it's also relatively larger than most BTO flats. That said, I did try to get a BTO flat in this area because it is definitely cheaper. I didn't manage to get it in the end, so my decision was clear!

How does the interior theme of your home reflect on your own personality and interests?

As a creative person, I love cement and raw finishes, as it gives me the feeling of something 'hand-made'. I also love antique or vintage furniture, because it feels like there are interesting stories behind them.

On the flipside, I also like a really orderly and neat living environment





Right next to the open-concept kitchen is the guest bedroom which is enclosed by frosted glass for a space-enhancing touch.

For those new to your music, explain your sound in 5 words.

Indie, pop-rock, fun, dynamic and thought-provoking.

You sing, act, dance and even write your own songs. Is there anything else you would like to pursue in the creative scene?

I actually stopped dance for about five years already (laughs)! I think like most creatives, I am passionate about many forms of art but in pursuing so many things, it's important to choose my sacrifices as well. So when I started working I chose to narrow it down into film and music; while focusing and honing my skill as a writer first and foremost.





MASTER BEDROOM

The newly-expanded bedroom extends an inviting gesture with its warm woody tones on the raised platform and headboard.

What are some of the biggest struggles of being a local singer in Singapore?

The hardest part is probably getting your music out, as well as selling it. There are a few good platforms that give local acts a place to perform their music, but they are mostly public events. However, I feel that a lot is being done by the National Arts Council and the music landscape has been improving over the past decade. More grant schemes are showing up as well and this makes it easier for musicians to pursue their craft.

MASTER BATHROOM

An arresting constellation of monochromatic-coloured tiles defines the master bathroom and instead of overwhelming the narrow space, it makes a strong and spacious style statement.

You are known for your online slapstick characters on SGAG. Are you anything alike to these comedic personas?

Haha, not really! I enjoy joking with my friends, and I have silly moments at times. But other than that, I'm actually pretty serious when I'm focussed at work, or when I'm behind the camera!

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power of PASTELS

DREAMY PASTELS, WOODY TEXTURES AND CLEAN LINES KEEP THINGS FRESH AND CHARMING IN THIS FOUR-ROOM HDB BTO FLAT.



FACT FILE

SPACE

4-ROOM
HDB BTO FLAT

SIZE

990 SQUARE
FEET

LOCATION

UPPER
SERANGOON
ROAD

DESIGNER

WILSON TENG
& VANDRA PNG,
STUDIO
FORTYFOUR

RENO PERIOD

2 MONTHS

to bring in a picture of calm, the soothing quality of pastels was what the homeowners specified for their four-room HDB BTO flat. That inspired designers Wilson Teng and Vandra Png from Studio FortyFour to propose a cosy tan-and-neutral colour palette which is paired by pastel accents. This is apparent right from the entryway

which is decked in unique floor treatments of diamond-shaped and wood-effect porcelain tiles. The designers then teamed it with a whitewashed wall of Muuto Dot hooks. This not only injects a lively sense of fun and colourful aesthetics, the homeowners get a practical 'storage' wall to hang up their bags and whatnots.

KITCHEN

What's noteworthy here is the 'his-and-hers' colour palette. Overhead cabinets in rose pink represent femininity while navy blue counters convey masculinity. A subway tile backsplash, laid out in a staggered order, brings a form of balance between the two contrasting tones. Brass highlights at the base of the counters add a subtle touch of glamour.

ENTRYWAY

To fulfil the male homeowner's request of having a shoe showcase, the designers worked on an open shoe display to house his coveted collection of leather shoes. A symmetrical design for the showcase helps to cut down on the visual bulk. The entryway and other communal zones are zoned off by a pair of sliding doors.



Wrapping the base of the kitchen counter, the brass details create a floating illusion to 'lighten' the kitchen counters' appearance.

STUDIO FORTYFOUR DESIGNERS



"The homeowners have a love for cheery and light-filled spaces and that was what inspired the current pastel-rich colour scheme."

DINING AREA

A powder blue wall defines the dining zone which also functions as a work area. This is made possible by the custom-made table which hosts a partition panel. From the view of the living area, one side of the table is concealed by the partition to minimise visual clutter and afford the compact workstation with more privacy.

design FINESSE

ELEVATING HDB LIVING WITH WELL-CURATED FORMS AND A STRONG SPATIAL AWARENESS, THIS ORDINARY FLAT IS EQUAL PARTS SPACIOUS AND STYLISH.



FACT FILE

SPACE

5-ROOM
HDB BTO FLAT

SIZE

1,087 SQUARE
FEET

LOCATION

PUNGGOL
DRIVE

DESIGNER

KOBE WONG,
K.DOT
ASSOCIATES

RENO PERIOD

8 MONTHS

While the newer HDB flats are predictable in terms of similar floor plans, this HDB BTO flat is an exception. For the starter home of Principal Design Kobe Wong from KDOT Associates, it stands apart from the pack, especially from the countless HDB BTO flat units in the Punggol area. He has transformed the look and feel of a regular

HDB flat so radically that it resembles a prestigious private condominium unit instead. With his expertise and trained eye in interior design, it was clear that he had the upper hand in designing his flat as compared to most clueless homeowners. His deep insights in material selection served him well when it came to choosing tiles, laminates and even the vinyl flooring.



LIVING AREA

Flanked by full-height cabinetry for both ends of the walls, the living area presents sleek design uniformity with the well-appointed mix of laminates. The palette of soothing wood textures and tasteful dark details links everything up visually. Hunting down the right sofa took longer than expected because Kobe wanted something plush yet compact. This leather sofa with a flexible backrest makes an ideal choice as it can be used for easy lounging for accommodating more guests.

COMMUNAL AREAS

To adopt an open-concept layout, heavy hacking works were carried out. With the kitchen entrance now hacked away, the communal zones appear larger and brighter. The open-concept kitchen is now fronted by angled shelving to create an impactful design detail to demarcate this area. That also leaves more room to incorporate a kitchen island where the homeowners now use it as a multi-purpose space for dining in or for food prep.

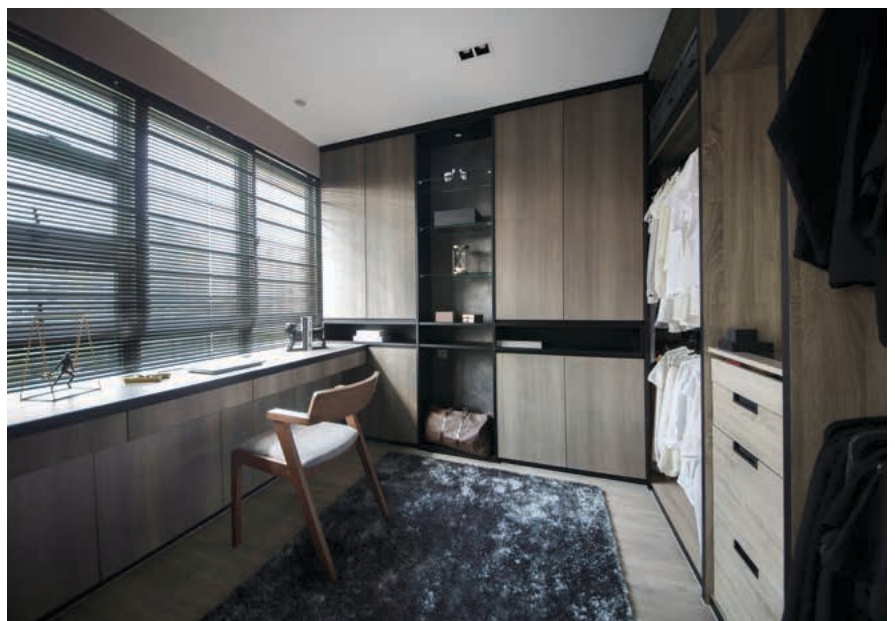


PRIVATE AREAS

The master bedroom has been merged with a common bedroom to accommodate the walk-in wardrobe.

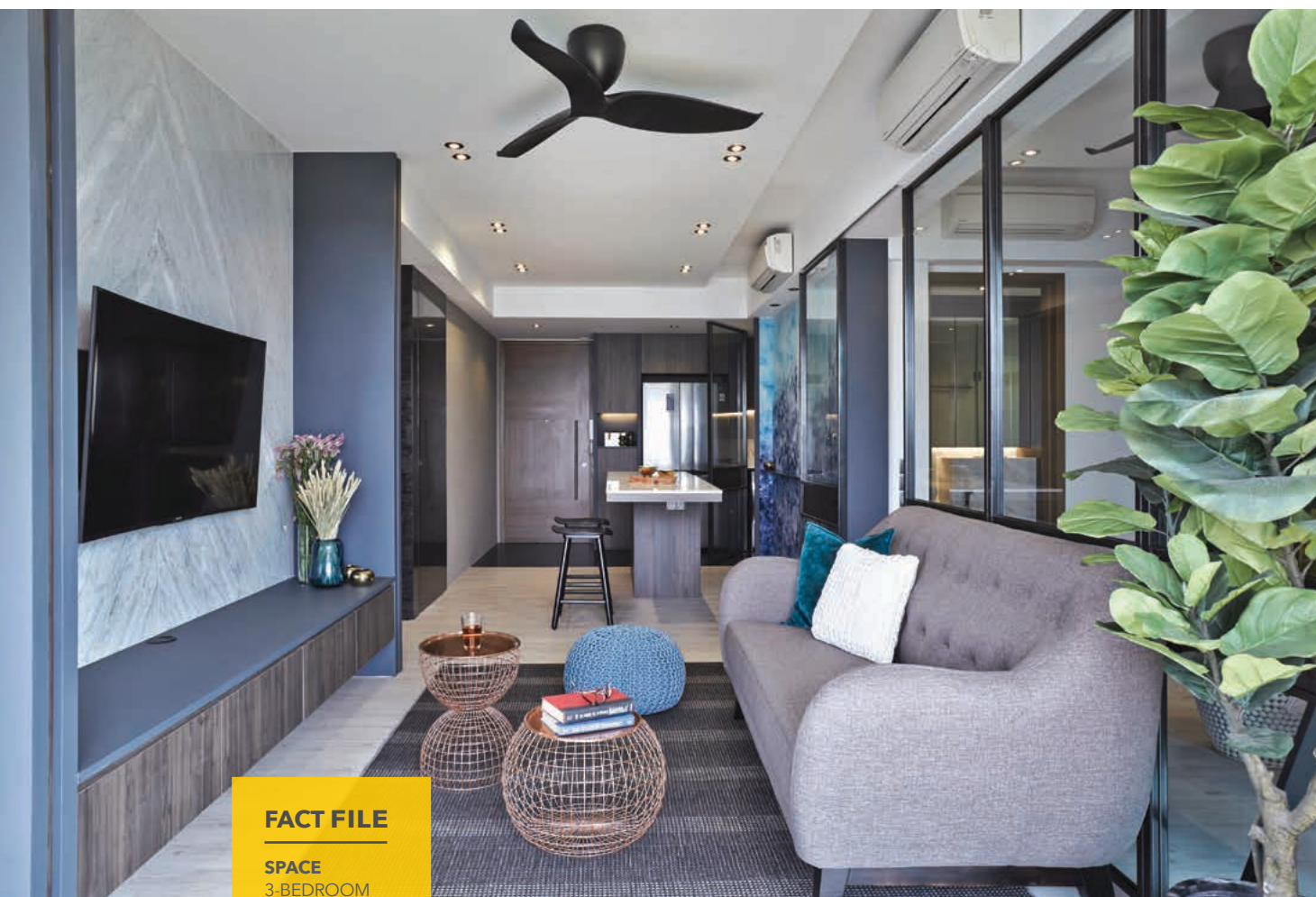
A pocket sliding door now divides the sleeping zone from the walk-in and occasional study and this minimises the level of disturbance in the bedroom.

I like the idea of a chic bachelor's pad for my home while my wife, who is an air stewardess, prefers the hotel-inspired look. We came to agreement with a modern luxury style.
KOBE WONG, PRINCIPAL DESIGNER, K.DOT ASSOCIATES



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FACT FILE

SPACE

3-BEDROOM
EXECUTIVE
CONDOMINIUM
UNIT

SIZE

1,100 SQUARE
FEET

LOCATION

FERNVALE LANE

DESIGNER

ELDEN LIM,
MINIMO &
MINIMOLOGY

RENO PERIOD

11 WEEKS

With space limited in this condominium unit, Creative Director Elden Lim, who was in charge of its overhaul, knew he had to make dramatic measures to address the homeowners' lifestyle needs. The couple actually found the original master bedroom too small for their liking and they also wanted a spacious-looking home to accommodate future family members and

their passion for photography. By hacking down boundary walls and putting up glass partitions for the study, natural light now flows into the confines of the communal zones. This creates a larger and more open feel for the layout. As for furnishings, he picked out pieces that work well with the interior dimensions and much attention was given to create a sleek, linear appeal.

DINING AREA

Touches of the ocean are encapsulated within the blue custom-designed wall covering which anchors the feature wall. An artist was commissioned to design and dye the fabric and it makes the perfect backdrop for different activities. The homeowners, whom are both teachers, can enjoy their meals or entertain friends in this striking setting. Adding functionality to the space is a wall-mounted shelf which cuts through the feature wall. With that, the couple can change things up with decorative items for different occasions.

LIVING AREA

Clad in marble slabs, each piece was carefully selected and arranged to form an inverted V arrangement for the feature wall. To let all attention land on this outstanding feature wall, laminates frame it with much precision. Since the laminates are dark in colour, Elden decided to leave the floor space bare with a wall-mounted TV console for more breathing room.



The homeowners wanted an outstanding background to film their creative projects so we proposed this blue custom-designed wallpaper.

ELDEN LIM, CREATIVE DIRECTOR, MINIMO & MINIMOLOGY



STUDY & BEDROOM

One of the big changes made to this home was to turn the master bedroom into the second bedroom with a separate bathroom. The other two bedrooms – one converted into a study – have been combined to form a master suite. The study now links to the master bedroom by way of a sliding door. Glass partitions for the study help to open the space up visually and allow more light to flow into various areas.



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natural SELECTION

WHITE AND WOODSY, THIS HDB BTO FLAT UNIT NAILS THE MODERN INDUSTRIAL LOOK WITH ITS NEW FLOWING LAYOUT AND RESTRAINED COLOUR PALETTE.



FRONT ENTRANCE

The distressed wood textures of the front door distinguish this flat unit and offer a prelude of the unit's modern industrial theme. Inside, a two-tone treatment of timber strip flooring and homogeneous tiles for the communal zones acts as a form of demarcation for the kitchen and dining-living zones.

KITCHEN

Stretching the previous confines of the cookspace across the hallway, this expansion allows the homeowner to enjoy a larger work area for cooking and food preparation. The pairing of black overhead cabinets and wood-effect counters pulls off a modern yet masculine style ensemble. On the other end, full-height cabinetry renders a lighter, space-enhancing touch with its white laminate coverings and houses some of the larger kitchen appliances in a seamless order.



FACT FILE

SPACE

4-ROOM
HDB BTO FLAT

SIZE
1,000 SQUARE
FEET

LOCATION
PUNGGOL
DRIVE

DESIGNER
CHERLYN TAN,
REZT & RELAX
INTERIOR

RENO PERIOD
1 MONTH

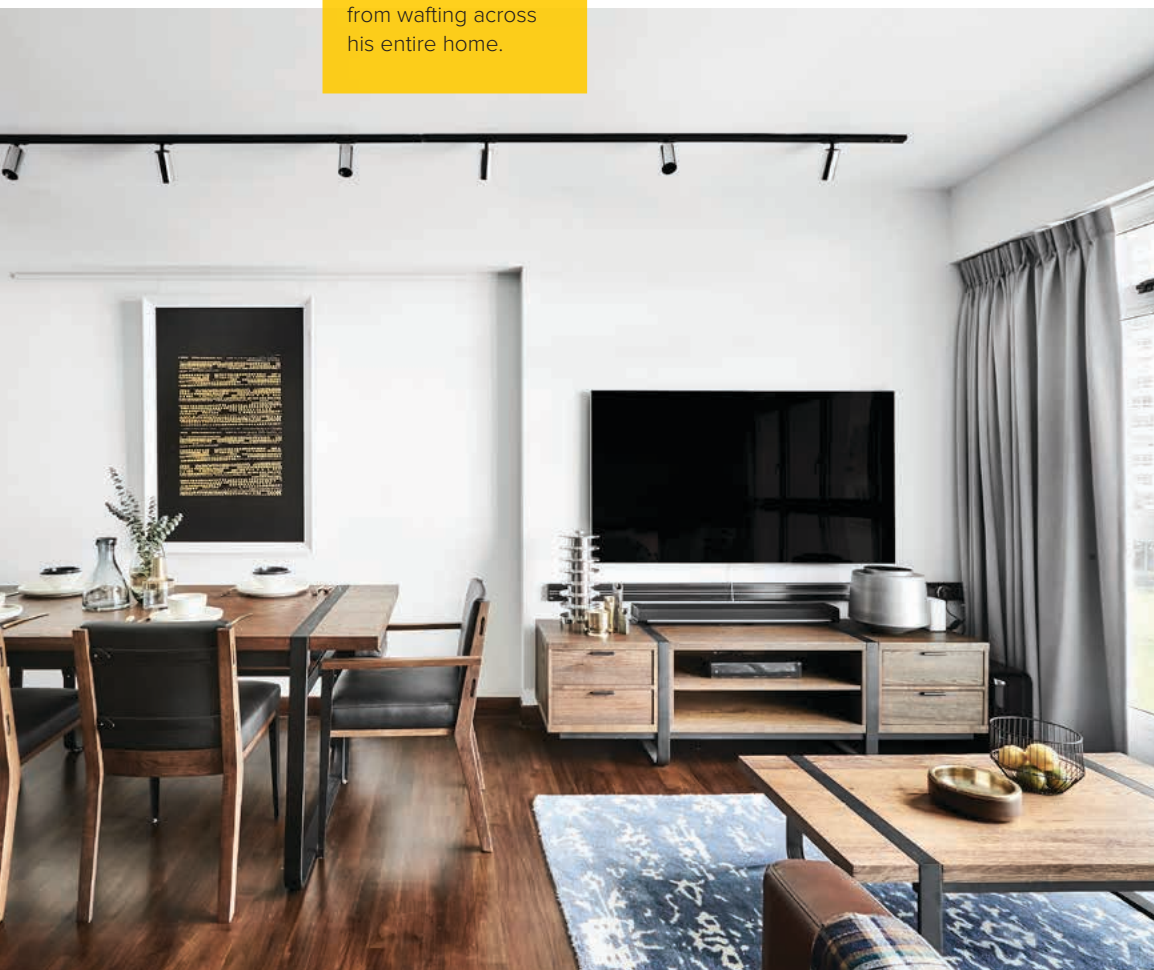
Keeping things light and fresh, the main design theme of this resale HDB flat unit centres around the homeowner's preference for natural wood textures and his personal interests in entertaining and cooking. That meant co-ordinating the rustic wood tones with a monochromatic colour scheme to good effect. As to fulfil his desire for a larger kitchen, the original enclosed cookspace underwent heavy renovation works. This culminated in a much more spacious yet flexible area for cooking and entertaining in. Since the homeowner lives alone, he did not require too much storage and therefore opted for more loose furnishings over built-in cabinetry for a lighter, visually cleaner outlook.

COMMUNAL AREAS

The best solution for dividing the living-dining zones from the kitchen is this black aluminium-framed door. Natural light pours into both areas even when the door is shut. This also affords the homeowner with more flexibility in using his space when he has company. With the see-through sliding door, he gets to maintain interactions with his guests and prevent heavy cooking smells from wafting across his entire home.



This row of full-height cabinets in white also conceals the DB unit and offers shoe storage.



LIVING-DINING ZONE

Timber strip flooring has replaced the previous homogeneous tile flooring and now decks the floor of the shared living and dining zones with a warm and woody lustre. Making an understated statement is the grey stucco wall effect applied on the surrounding walls of the dining space. It marks a distinctive difference from the other whitewashed walls and creates the perfect backdrop for displaying the homeowner's coveted art works.



MASTER BEDROOM

The newly-expanded master bedroom has all the plush comforts of a well-thought out bedroom. With the increase in square footage, this allows room for additional amenities like a study and a spacious wardrobe. Plus, by keeping the number of carpentry works to a minimum, this draws out a larger and light-filled visage.

Black accent colours draw out a bold aesthetic and prevent the white colour scheme from appearing stark or too cold.

MASTER BATHROOM

Resembling a boutique hotel bath suite, a luxurious combo of marble-effect homogeneous tiles fills the walls. It is paired with an elongated vanity which spans across an entire wall. The selection of monochromatic tones brings a timeless allure to the space and a design consistency which is prevalent in the rest of the home.



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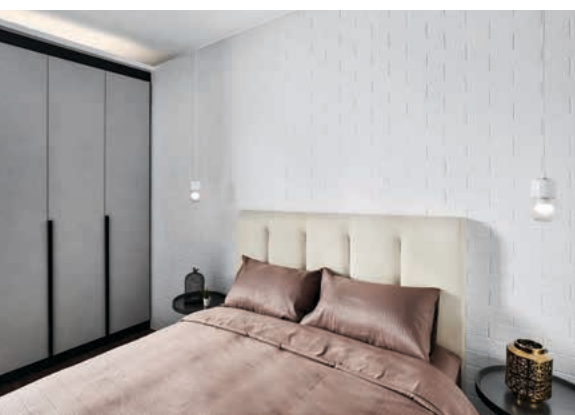
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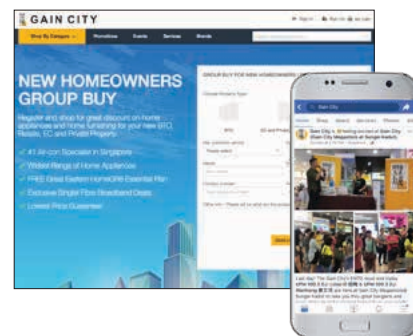
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