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QUIRK STUDIO





uirk Studio is an avant-garde Interior Design firm based in Mumbai. The studio was founded in 2013 by Interior Designers Disha Bhavsar & Shivani Ajmera joining forces to establish a boutique design studio, aiming to depart from conventional ideas of luxury to cater to modern, novel notions of comfort & self-expression.

United by a passion for the poetics of space, Disha & Shivani bring together a combined experience of over 10 years. Having worked with some of India's the largest & acclaimed design practices; Disha & Shivani imbue their contemporary, ingenious vision with cutting edge industry experience to deliver premium design solutions for residential & commercial spaces alike.

The Expand Loff, Mumbai

'The Expand Loft' is characterized as an open office with high-ceiling windows & arched glass partitions. The design style is a combination of contemporary, minimal & loftlike. Quirk studio introduced fun. creative elements to the neutral decor to offer a stark contrast to the office's industrial look while augmenting its classy appeal.

The entire office has been crafted with an approximately 14 foot high ceiling, with panoramic windows that offer expansive views of the city. Floor-to-ceiling windows were created to add to the openness of the layout while bringing in natural daylight & facilitate ventilation. Taking inspiration from the company logo, Quirk studio decided to infuse hints of yellow throughout the space to build on brand recall. By doing so, it was also crucial to consider that the color must be used in adequate amounts to ensure that the entire office looks chic as well as welcoming. Therefore, a neutral color palette is intentionally used throughout the office to balance the overall look & feel of the area.

'The Expand Loft' can be defined as modern, minimal & an oasis for social interplay. The design intent of the project is to boost creativity by optimizing the use of an energetic pop of color yellow, appropriately, to exude a feeling of liveliness & wellbeing for the employees. The entire thought-process behind 'The Expand Loft' centered around creating an open office space that is attractive yet functional.

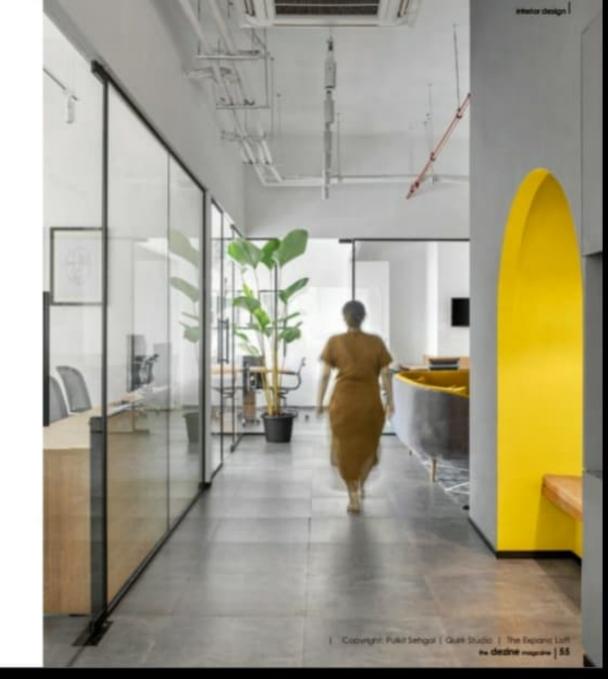
Designers, our work & style is characterized as appeal

contemporary, modern & minimal with a distinctive style that is colorful & chic', expresses studio discussing on their design style & approach, adding further, "Our approach is consistent regardless of the type or size of the project. However, we certainly enjoy designing projects that allow us to use our creativity as well as originality".

Studio expresses that mainly the client & the brand were responsible influencing the design approach. The flow of movement is an important factor while creating a user-centric space, as it not only facilitates adequate circulation within an area, but also enhances the perception of that space.

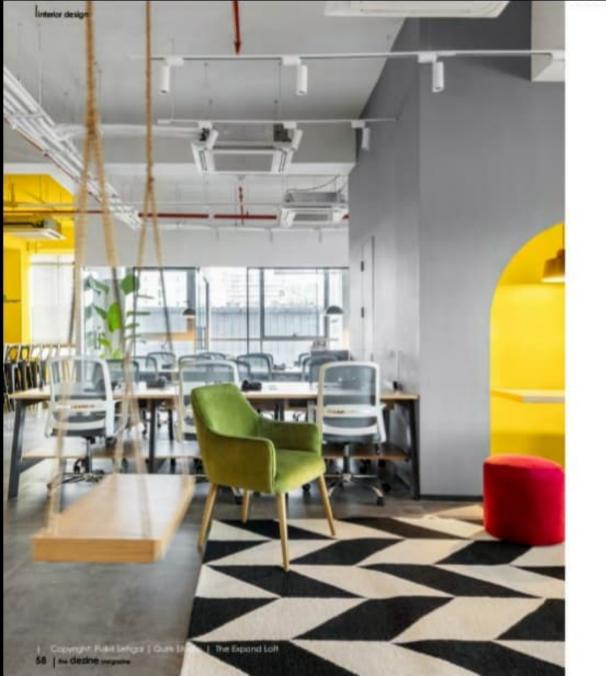
The loft-like office's user-friendly & visually aesthetic spaces are designed to cater to its employees' evolving needs, "In general, our goal for every project is based on catering to the client's requirements. The design of 'The Expand Loft' is to evoke an emotional response & craft a user friendly experience for the employees".

The arch-shaped, semi-transparent partitions placed in different areas of the office create functional zones & add a pop of color to accentuate the interiors within the space. The concept of the arches is carried forward as one enters the reception area; a small seating area under a yellow-colored arch niche is crafted out as a focal point of that space. The introduction of the colored arched design elements to the neutral interior enables a stark contrast with the office's industrial look, while augmenting its classy









"One of the biggest challenges in clutter & creating in order to areas without any physical or functional". visual intrusion', Quirk studio gives spaces'.

Loft' features tiles in cement with. finish that are juxtaposed with the patterned tiles in the pantry area. appearance of a space.

& functionality goes hand-in- expresses Quirk Studio. hand while keeping in mind the uniqueness of the project.

always been about finding simplicity order to survive.

while designing 'The Expand Loft' inspire. We believe in offering a was ensuring that the entire office balanced design experience to maximizes the open workplace our clients. & we craft spaces that & seamlessly flows into different are visually aesthetic as well as

insight on their design approach. Art is, undoubtedly, an essential *Designing an open office layout part of all the projects for Quirk gave us the chance to experiment. Studio. Bringing art into a space experience, push our boundaries is a great way to add to the overall & foray into designing commercial vibe & mood. Whenever studio recommends art to their clients, it is most important that the clients Materials pose one of the best feel connected & inspired to the opportunities to bring creativity & art. At the end of the day, they need character to a space. The Expand to love the art they would be living

"We had a wonderful experience Moreover, the concept behind while designing the office space. experimenting with different However, a slight challenge that textures enhances the overall we witnessed during the execution process was adhering to the stipulated timeline given by the For the Quirk studio both, form client for completing the project',

It is important to continuously evolve & grow as designers. Now "Our vision for Quirk Studio is more than ever, it is critical that we constantly evolving. We have must adapt to the new normal in

AS DESIGNERS, WE HAVE OUR OWN THOUGHT PROCESS FOR EVERY PROJECT.
ALL EXPERIENCES IN LIFE CAN AFFECT & INFLUENCE ONE'S CREATIVITY. A PERSON'S STYLE IS UNIQUE TO ONESELF, & THEREBY, IT TRANSLATES INTO THE WORK THAT YOU DO"

-Quirk Studio









The Jardin Home, Mumbal

Taking a minimalistic approach was the key to design this large residence in the lush Juhu suburb of Mumbai. in order to create the perfect balance of modern, comfortable & elegant. Designed as a getaway home for a Gujarat based family. the home is permanently inhabited by the client's son, who works in the city. The design has been tailored to suit the client's desired contemporary style while adhering to a concise brief: A pleasant & modish place, fit for a bachelor, the home doubles up as a warm retreat for the entire family as & when they visit. Another important design factor is the Vaastucompliance of planning, which was also driven by the belief of the client & was therefore integrated into the planning principles. Hence, the entire facade is paneled with mirrors. & plants are added to the враси.

Adopting a nature-inspired design approach, the design has been defined by incorporating shades of blue & green. The natural blend of neutral & monochromatic palettes exudes a sense of calmness & well-being within the home. Accent furniture pieces add to the overall drama & vibe of the space. With the intention of allowing an influx of natural light, large casement windows have been installed throughout the house.

The house opens into a spacious living room that flawlessly transitions into the dining area. The distinct colors of the décor & furniture complement the entire appearance of the space; an evocative abstract rug is paired with a minimalistic grey sofa that accentuates the soft luxe feeling. Similarly, the teal blue upholstered armchair brings a sense of sevenity

& zen-like aesthetic to the space, while creating an exciting visual dichotomy that is in sync with the muted interiors. The combination of distinct elements such as coffee tables from Gulmohar Lane, & furniture that is crafted in metal, marble, & wood, creates an intricate interplay of textures.

The focal point of the dining space is undoubtedly the ornate chandelier that is dominated by aqua & gold colored leaves. The chandelier imparts a harmonious essence by adding character to the open space. The floral wall-art that comprises of botanical prints & the customized sideboard adds to the liveliness of the area.

The kitchen is seamlessly connected with the dining & living area by a sliding door, creating continuity with the open layout of the space. Designed with simplicity, the kitchen is made using a simple back-painted glass with rose gold cabinet handles. The modular design maximizes the storage space within a relatively compact area & increases the functionality inside the kitchen itself.

The merging of two rooms has been enabled to create a larger expansive Master Suite that radiates opulence, modernity & comfort with its plush, grey interiors. Considering that the room is occupied by the client's son, it was imperative to create a zone that resonates with a young working professional crafting a more casual & relaxed environment. Hence, the Master Suite has a modern look & feel & it serves as a bachelor pad of sorts. The wall has a lime plaster finish & a hidden walk-in closet within its paneling, allowing for a clutterfree zone. Diagonal oak flooring is used to amplify the cozy environs while adding color & warmth to the bédroom.



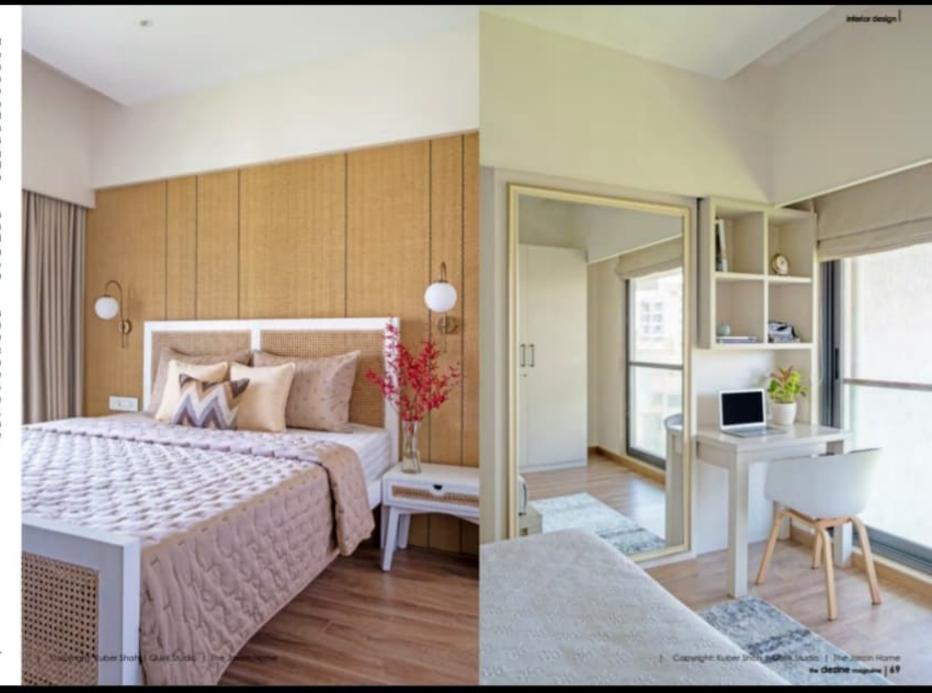


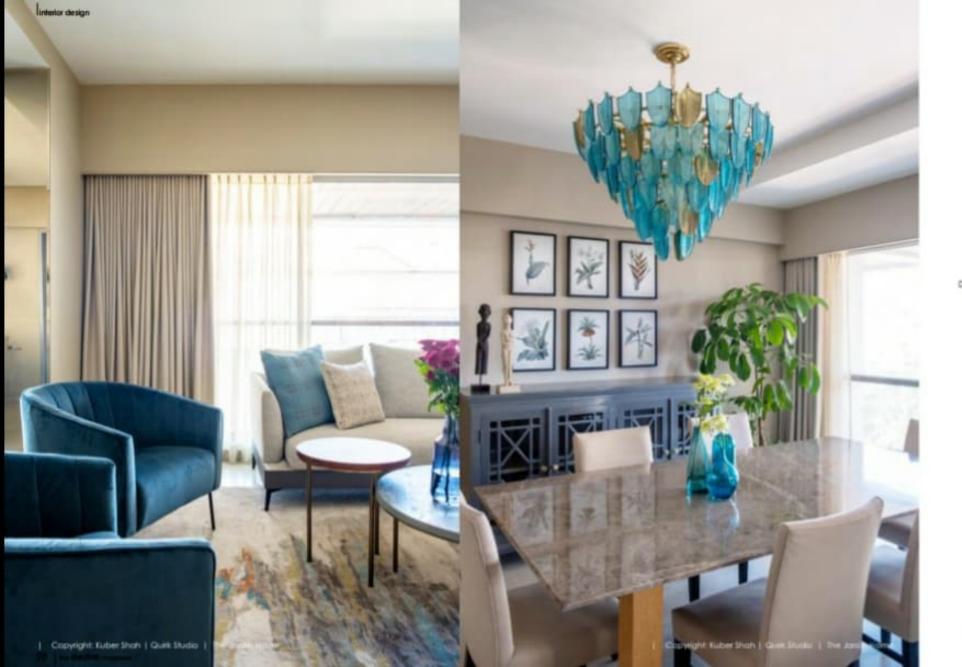
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The parent's bedroom, in contrast to the Master Suite, is more gracious & congenial, as driven by the brief of a welcoming design feel. The bright interiors match the choice of furniture & décor inside the room. The paneling behind the bed offsets the white rattan furniture. The parent's suite is topped off with oak flooring, making the bedroom a comfortable & restful environment for the parents who visit occasionally.

The use of subtle interiors is applied to the guest room, wherein the furniture is repurposed & paired with neutral tones. Cherry blossom wallpaper in the hues of grey & white adds a dynamic play to continue the nature-based theme.

In a nutshell, the Jardin Home stays true to its name (French for Garden) & allows members of the house to experience cohesive, dynamic & regal spaces that deepen a connection with nature. While the comprehensive spatial volumes & the aesthetic value of the space make for a strong visual impact, the Jardin Home is perceived as enchanting through its authenticity & functionality of design.





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