Carefully demarcated spaces and a harmonious colour palette turn out a refreshing space to live in.

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While keeping spaces free-flowing visually is important, well-employed strategies, more often than not, can do more for a home. For Andy Tan of Ideal Design Interior, conceptualising a spacious home that is also comfortable warrants one particular measure: demarcating spaces well.



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WHITE AND BLUE

Given the spacious living room, Andy instinctively marked out one large wall as the focal point of the space. This wall is suitably covered with a mix of built-in cabinets and open shelves in white and dark wood grains to provide the storage space they need for a clutter-free interior.

Next to it, the television has been mounted on the wall while a floating console in similarly dark wood grains has been lifted off the floor. To accent the space, Andy framed the windows, by painting the surrounding wall blue.

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS

To create a visually open space, the wall between the living room and the dining area has been hacked away. However, Andy refrained from an entirely open-plan space, choosing to cleanly demarcate the dining area with glass panelling. Here, too, walls were painted blue for a sense of continuity. The glass-encased space, furnished suitably with modern lines and an intriguing chandelier, is reminiscent of a chic café.

From here, a frosted glass door leads into the kitchen. Built-in cabinets have been installed to reflect the contemporary setting of the home, while meeting the storage needs of the homeowners. Andy explained that by using a monochromatic scheme, the kitchen maintains a neat and clean mien.



SPACE FOR QUIETUDE

With a spacious bedroom to work with, Andy created a mellow space for rest. A panel that backs the television console sweeps upwards to allow space for cove lighting, which imparts a warm, intimate glow to the room. White laminated cabinetry and shelving have been purpose-built into the space to complement the clean lines found throughout the home. He also revealed that the homeowners chose the specific colours to adhere to feng shui practices, saying that the colours were chosen to add harmony and balance to the home.

DARK AND MASCULINE

Deferring from common resort styles, the homeowners specifically requested for a stylish space that would look at home in a five-star hotel. Dark homogeneous tiles line the floor, ceiling and even the bathtub for a sensual ambience. **II5**





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