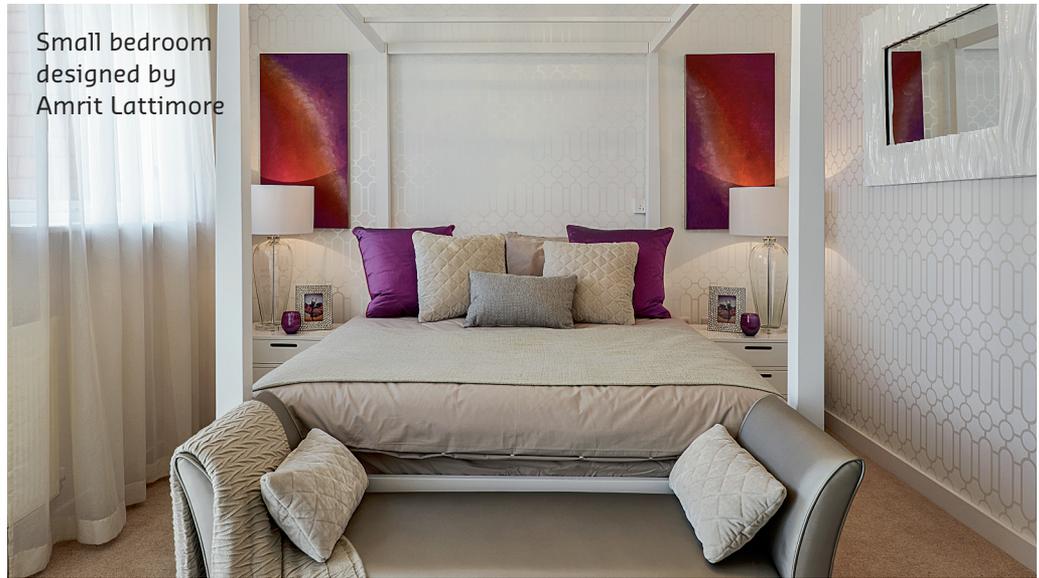


Alpine House designed  
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## BEDROOMS

“Space efficient, multi-functional furniture is almost an essential for small spaces,” says Marianna Piccolo, CEO and Founder of MyPickOne Studio Design.

“From sofa-cum-beds to tables with storage or a folding iron board that doubles up as a mirror, there are lots of smart furniture solutions out there. Find solutions that suit your space and style.”

Small homes often have to accommodate dynamic changes. Marianna’s advice is to opt for furniture scaled down to suit small spaces and try furniture on wheels. It makes it easy to rearrange pieces and clear out space as and when needed.

Michelle Dinsmore, head of visual merchandising, Home Centre, recommends a bit of optical illusion to make a small bedroom look bigger. “Large mirrors create an illusion of space, both horizontally and verti-

cally. Go for horizontal lines: from the pattern of curtain blinds, wallpaper and wall shelves within a room to create an illusion of a wider space.”

Michelle’s top tip is to select furniture such as pullout beds that take up less space and beds with storage underneath.

“A sliding door wardrobe provides easy access, despite a lack of space, proving it to be an effective method of storage,” says Michelle. “If the bed does not have storage built into it, under bed storage boxes are a great solution for storing seasonal clothes, extra bedding and blankets.”

For a small bedroom, make sure you choose wardrobes carefully. Go for designs that have many storage compartments and can be used to stow away all kinds of odds and ends: from scarves, belts and cuff links in pigeon holes to vertical compartments for trouser hangers.

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Every nook and cranny can be customised and converted into something useful

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