

Jewel Box Homes: Small Homes that Live Big

SPACE PLANNING

DO's

- DO give every space a purpose
Storage, pet suite, domestic suite
- DO create personal escapes
Loft for kids, balcony oasis for parents
- DO maximize your bathrooms using an open shower concept with free standing tub

DONT 's

- DON'T waste space because it seems too small to use
- DON'T use only traditional doors. Pocket and barn doors are great space savers
- DON'T forget about designated storage



FINISHES

DO's

- DO keep lines simple and clean
- DO use light and bright colors, like white, for cabinets and countertops
- DO choose counters with reflective qualities
- DO choose more decorative fixtures and sinks

DONT 's

- DON'T break the line of sight, keep the island a consistent height
- DON'T break up the flooring to define spaces. Continues flooring enlarges the space
- DON'T use large heavy lighting, keep it airy
- DON'T use dark woods, they enclose the space

DESIGN DETAILS

DO's

- DO create a drama point for the entry space
- DO draw focus with simple, white molding details
- DO create mirror wall details
- DO use full wall tile details in bathrooms

DONT 's

- DON'T close the space with an intricate ceiling detail
- DON'T use thick and heavy window treatments
- DON'T create heavy built-ins, use floating shelves instead
- DON'T use matte paint. Semi-glass offers a subtle reflectiveness



FURNISHINGS

DO's

- DO choose multi-purpose furnishings
- DO use furniture on taller legs to create a lighter feeling
- DO choose furniture with light wood, mirrored, or metallic finishes
- DO use glass or metallic lamps

DONT 's

- DON'T put bulky items together; pair a reading chair with wispy side table
- DON'T create a large closet space with only a single level wire rack
- DON'T use heavy ornately framed artwork. Keep frames thin and modern