

WHAT IS INTERIOR DESIGN?

- Interior design is the art and science of enhancing the interior of a building to achieve a healthier and more aesthetically pleasing environment for the people using the space.
- Interior design is a multifaceted profession that includes conceptual development, space planning, site inspections, programming, research, communicating with the stakeholders of a project, construction management, and execution of the design.



WHO'S AN INTERIOR DESIGNER?

- ➤ An interior designer is someone who plans, researches, coordinates, and manages such enhancement projects.
- Someone who works with a client to create aesthetic rooms and spaces. Clients range from homeowners to large corporations.

The spaces and rooms interior designers create are equally varied, ranging from simple indoor and outdoor home environments to hotel lobbies and lavish mansions.

No matter the size, every interior designer works to create spaces that are attractive yet functional.

Spaces must also be safe while meeting the specific needs of the client.

WHAT DOES AN INTERIOR DESIGNER DO?

Interior designers make indoor spaces functional, safe, and beautiful by determining space requirements and selecting essential and decorative items, such as colors, lighting and materials. They must be able to draw, read, and edit blueprints An interior designer assists people to decorate their homes, offices, restaurants, stores, and businesses to create aesthetic and authentic rooms and spaces.



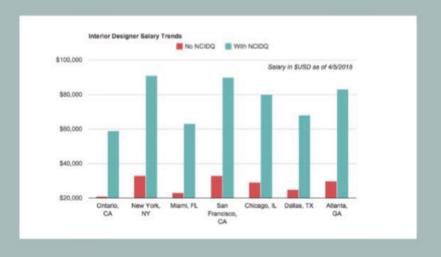
STEPS TO BECOMING AN INTERIOR DESIGNER:

- Earn a degree in interior design.
- 2. Pass the National Council for Interior Design qualification exam.
- Take some pro bono projects.
- Build a portfolio.
- 5. Look for continuing education opportunities.



THE SALARY

The national average salary for a Interior Designer is \$50,224 in United States. Filter by location to see Interior Designer salaries in your area. Salary estimates are based on 3,978 salaries submitted anonymously to Glassdoor by Interior Designer employees.



7 POPULAR TYPES OF INTERIOR DESIGN

> Scandinavian:

If you're after a simple but cosy house interior style, consider Scandinavian (or Scandi). One of the key features of Scandinavian style is the concept of hygge, a Danish term which loosely means cosiness. It's the idea of treasuring the simple things in life and creating a sense of warmth within the home.

According to Home Beautiful, Scandinavian style "has a particular flair for affordable, functional furniture, made using natural materials and traditional craftsmanship, and it is at the heart of Scandi style.







> Hamptons:

A hugely popular interior decorating style in Australia, classic Hamptons style embraces a fresh, airy palette and natura textures.

According to Home Beautiful, the decorating style is inspired by the architecture and decorating of holiday homes and buildings in the luxury seaside communities along the eastern beaches of upstate New York's neighboring Long Island

White and blue are key colors in Hamptons-style interiors, together with key elements such as well-positioned windows to optimize cross-ventilation, plantation shutters, nautical-style décor, timber floorboards and timber moulding along hallways and staircases.

In the kitchen, white kitchen cabinetry dominates, with open shelving or glass paned doors. Marble or light-colored engineered stone is the main choice for bench tops.





➤ French provincial:

A classic decorating style, French provincial is defined by refined details, rustic textures and a washed-out color palette.

According to Home Beautiful, the look "features powdery hues, whitewashed wood and raw timber, soft linens and texture, with an overlay of opulence: curved furniture, embroidery and gilt framing against a farmhouse-style backdrop of stone flags and milk-paint walls

It works in new and heritage homes. In the city it gives a sense of warmth, welcoming yet still sophisticated, and in the country it fits seamlessly with provincial surroundings.

To perfect a French provincial home décor style, go for white, muted colours for walls and mid-tone timbers in flooring and furniture.

➤ Mid-century modern

The streamlined retro look that was popular in the 1950s and 1960s is a classic decorating style that has never gone out of fashion.

"The principle behind many of the iconic mid-century furniture designs was 'form follows function', which simply means that the furniture was designed for its purpose without unnecessary features," adds Diana Ribarevski of Cocc Republic.

the era's natural materials and organic, sculptural forms are completely compatible with almost any contemporary home.







> Industrial

An urban look with an edge, industrial is characterized by raw textures, exposed elements and metal fixtures and finishes. Think of classic warehouse apartments in New York with stripped timber floorboards or concrete floors, exposed brick walls and utilitarian materials.

A rustic finish is a key feature of the industrial decorating style, with reclaimed wood, layers of chipped paint and salvaged pieces of furniture.

According to House Nerd, "a key feature of most industrial-inspired and warehouse homes is a minimal and often very neutral base color palette, with color added in the form of accents like artwork, tap ware, textiles, rugs and crockery." Try sticking to a base palette of different shades of grays, from light to gunmetal, black and white accents warmed up with wood and warm tones from brick and leather. You can then layer in color in other ways."









> Eclectic:

Incorporating elements from various cultures, decorating styles and time periods, an eclectic home décor style is highly personal in character.

Think of a Moroccan rug combined with deer antlers, mismatched vintage chairs and French toile fabric.

The key to nailing the eclectic look is through thoughtful editing and linking disparate elements through colour and texture.

According to Elle Décor you should "use one texture at least three times in different spots throughout a home," to maintain a cohesive look.







➤ Contemporary :

At once classic and of-the-moment, a contemporary house interior style has the most cross-over with other aesthetics According to Fresh Home, you can see nods to modern, traditional, art deco and even futuristic design.

Contemporary design is constantly changing

"Unlike other styles which are more or less set in stone, says <u>Fresh Home</u>, "what's "of the moment" today may change in a few years' time.

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INTERIOR DESIGNING (JOB DESCRIPTION)

Interior designers make interior spaces functional, safe, and beautiful by determining space requirements and selecting decorative items, such as colors, lighting, and materials. They read blueprints and must be aware of building codes and inspection regulations, as well as universal accessibility standards.

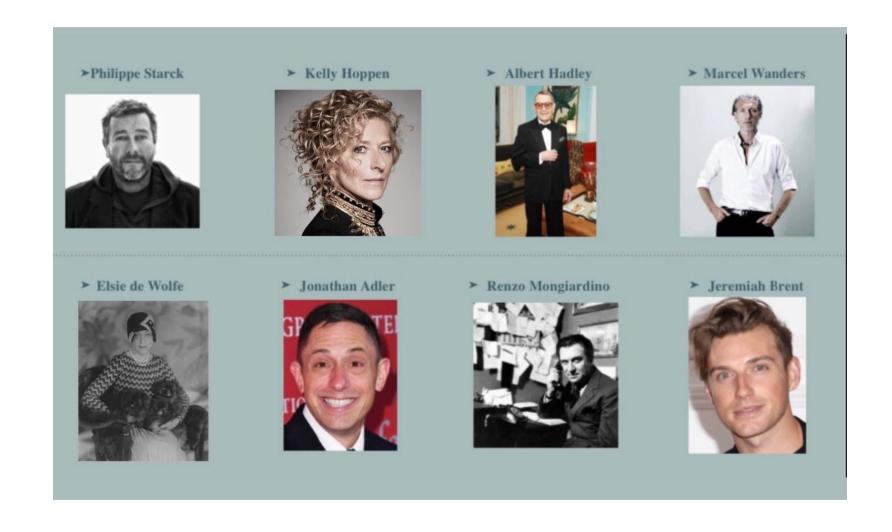


WHERE DOES AN INTERIOR DESIGNER WORK?











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INTERIOR DESIGN CAREER:

