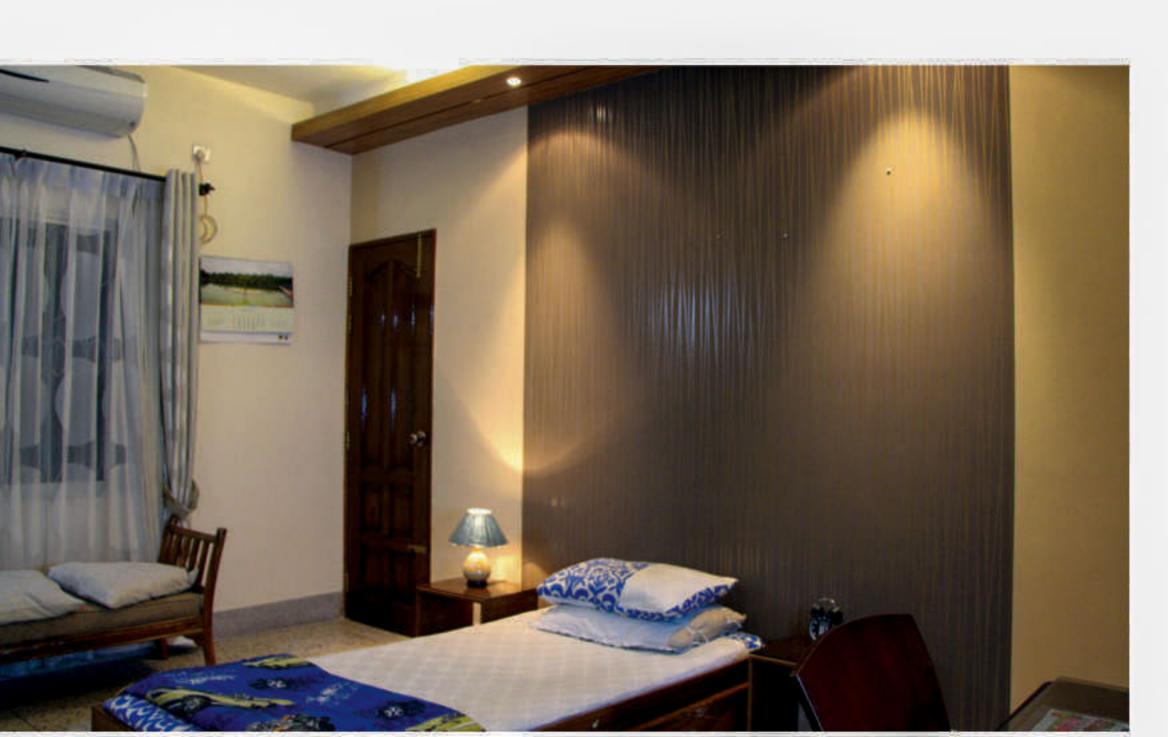


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STATEMENT WALLS

Sometimes all it takes is a little drama to spice up your life. Then why not start with your home? It is your sanctuary, your nest where you can be yourself. Interior decor consultant of Journeyman BD, Nazneen Haque Mimi offers us guidance on



FIND A FOCAL WALL

A focal wall is used as a statement piece that sets the mood and ambiance of the room. The most important factor in designing with a statement wall is to decide which wall will be highlighted as a focal point. It can be the wall you first see when you enter the room. It can also be the wall behind your couch, bed or TV. You should highlight only one wall of a room and not duplicate it on the rest of the walls. It should never be the wall by the window or the washroom as these walls tend to get water leakages and become damped.

DIFFERENT DESIGN STYLES WITH WALLPAPER AND PAINT

You can use either a simple or a dramatic design style when setting the interior of your room. For a simple yet attractive look, you can plaster a wall and paint it a pearly white or cream. You can also choose a monochrome wallpaper with a soft textured layer instead of a paint. Preference should be given to light colours such as

whites, creams and greys. Then to finish off, hang a painting or a

decorative mirror. This kind of effortless and uncomplicated look can be achieved very easily and quickly within two to three hours.

For an enchanting and dramatic effect, choose an accent colour that will contrast and complement with the other colours of the room.

For instance, you can use a sunny yellow or rustic orange on the focal wall while the other walls are in light cream or white.

You can now decide whether to use a wallpaper, paint or a combination of both.