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# The Interior Design Reference & Specification Book: Everything Interior Designers Need To Know Every Day



## Synopsis

In the world of interior design, thousands of bits of crucial information are scattered across a wide array of sources. The Interior Design Reference & Specification Book collects the information essential to planning and executing interior projects of all shapes and sizes, and distills it in a format that is as easy to use as it is to carry. You'll also find interviews with top practitioners drawn across the field of interior design. "Fundamentals provides a step-by-step overview of an interiors project, describing the scope of professional services, the project schedule, and the design and presentation tools used by designers. "Space examines ways of composing rooms as spatial environments while speaking to functional and life-safety concerns. "Surface identifies options in color, material, texture, and pattern, while addressing maintenance and performance issues. "Environments looks at aspects of interior design that help create a specific mood or character, such as natural and artificial lighting, sound and smell. "Elements describes the selection and specification of furniture and fixtures, as well as other components essential to an interior environment, such as artwork and accessories. "Resources gathers a wealth of useful data, from sustainability guidelines to online sources for interiors-related research.

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## Customer Reviews

This book has everything I've ever really needed to look up. It covers a lot of different topics, gives you specifications that you see all the time, and so much more. As an interior design student, I highly suggest it for other students and professionals as well. I've purchased a lot of interior design books over the last few years and this one has probably been the most useful.

We are currently building our third custom home, and I wish I had found this book two homes ago. It contains the answers to zillions of questions that come up during construction and design/decorating. Avoiding just one mistake more than pays for the book.

I wanted to know if I should go back to school for interior design since I love it as a hobby. This book is super concise but thorough, like a cliff notes of interior design, and bored me so bad I realized a hobby is enough for me. Great for students, professionals, perfectionists, or people currently building a home to understand what their designers and architects are doing and why.

Brilliant. Thorough. Consise. Ever thought to yourself, "I wish there was a book out there that told me every-thing I need to know about interior design in a clear format and preferably in simple diagrams"? This is it! It's so incredibly precise and detailed. The author covers the broad aesthetic concepts as well as the the detailed/dimensioned aspects in one fell swoop. From How to meet/bill clients, or building massing strategies, all the way to various weaves/construction of carpet or laminates. I can't adequately verbalize how emphatically impressed I am by this extraordinary compilation. I will buy everything these authors compile. So well crafted.

I'm a homeowner who was looking for a reference to help me with home decorating, but I found this to be relatively useless. I was hoping it would address proportions, how rugs should be laid or positioned in odd shaped rooms, the right shape and height of bedside tables depending on the style of the bed, etc. No such help here :(

I really enjoyed this book because it has a little bit of everything an Interior Designer does and should know. I would suggest it to any designer, student or anyone who is thinking of studying Interior Design.

I am studying to become an interior designer. This book is absolutely terrific. It is much better than another book I purchased : Residential Interior Design: A Guide To Planning Spaces which was quite dry.

This book is a great size to throw in your purse or backpack to read whenever you have the time. Very easy to understand and very informative. Exactly what I was looking for.

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