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# Interior Designers Reveal The Most Common Design Mistakes

**4/16 Adding Too Much Stuff**

Adding too many decor accessories (both large and small) can easily make a room look cluttered and messy, which probably isn't what you're going for. "It weighs the eye down to have to 'keep stopping' to take in a room which is overpopulated," says Sam Jernigan, interior designer, IFDA, of Renaissance Design Consultations. "The credo in design, 'form follows function,' translates to breathable spaces where what needs to be housed is considered first and accommodated accordingly." In other words, it's better to have a few well thought out pieces than a ton of little



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Fixing these issues can give any room an instant boost.