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The homeowners of this two-bedroom apartment in Rochester Road can testify to the well-earned reliability of Arte Living Design Studio. After all, the couple have hired the design firm for every home they've moved into – four times, to be precise. They felt at ease leaving the design plans and renovation project management in the capable hands of principal designer Carine Leong, who knew they liked "everything all-white."

One of the biggest challenges of this project was the apartment's narrow odd-shaped layout. It was "like a Christmas tree," quips Carine, referring to the slanted walls and tapering configuration. To make the living room appear "more symmetrical" for instance, Carine decided to include sliding panels to flush out the oddly angled wall. Slide these panels across the TV console, and a surprisingly sizable storage unit is revealed. The designer >







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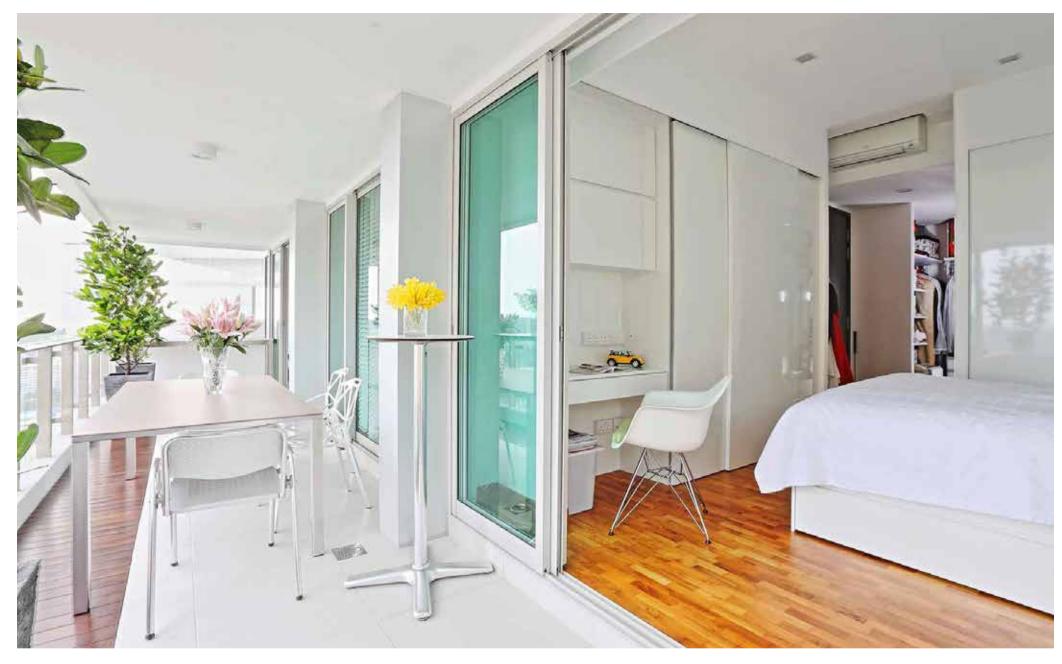
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had maximised the deeper end of the apartment's tapered layout to create this storage space, which is deep enough to hide a ladder. An essential space-solving solution, especially since this apartment did not come with a storeroom.

In line with the clean, clutter-free look the couple wanted, Carine used white acrylic for almost all the cabinetry work. This includes the custom-built furniture in the two compact bedrooms. By deftly maximising every precious square foot in the master bedroom, Carine managed to fit in plenty of wardrobe space for the lady of the house. Above the cantilevered dressing table are cabinets built to ceiling height for even more storage space. The kid's room is likewise well-laid-out – a customised bed that flips up against the wall when not in use, wall-to-wall cupboards flush up to the ceiling, and even a streamlined TV console niche for hours of play on Xbox.







Decking strips are fitted in place of planter boxes to further expand the balcony's footprint.



All the furniture in the master bedroom, including the bed, was customised to maximise the compact space.

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COMPANY PROFILE

Seven years on, Arte Living Design Studio continues to build on its reputation of offering dependable, personable service. Bearing testament to the company's good name, many clients are often repeat customers who know they can count on principal designers Gary Boo and Carine Leong's reliable expertise.

Design-wise, the company is known for its knack of carving out neat storage solutions within a modern classic decor scheme. Comfort is essential, too. After all, as the designers proclaim, every home should be an easy, clutter-free retreat in which one can relax at the end of the day.

STRENGTHS

Carving out smart storage spaces even in the most compact of homes.