

EXPERIMENTAL ZONE

PASSIONATE ABOUT THEIR WORK, AK ENTERPRISES-INTERIOR DESIGN FIRM EXCELS CREATIVELY WHILE DOING UP THEIR OWN OFFICE.

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Note the admirable space planning in this area.

The Director's chamber is designed in asymmetrical pattern with grooves having in-built wooden niches finished with duco paint and veneer.

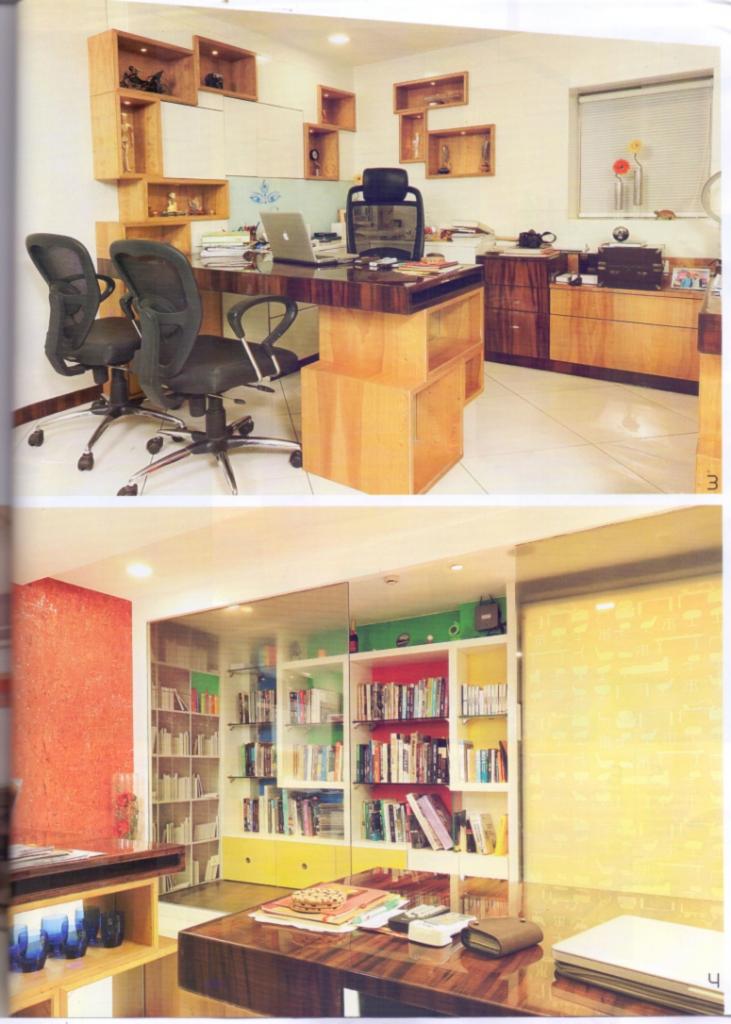
The open shelves in the library are finished with glossy laminates and glass shelves. designer's domain – be it his home or his workplace, reflects his personal design muses and broadly communicates to the client/visitor the personal comfort levels of the designer. When Kolkata-based-AK Enterprises redesigned their office space, they were very clear that they wanted the interiors to make a contemporary-chic design statement which is their design mantra.

Directors Amit Maitra and Kallol Barol consider their office to be a temple of their creativity and have designed their office with a lot of care.

The reception area with a visitor seating area is screened off from the rest of the office with a glass sliding door with Imaginers printed on 3M vinyl sheet. The seating in the reception area are crafted out of engineered marble while the reception table is designed using Corian. Another noteworthy feature is the etched logo on a black glass, while the rest of the wall is clad with engineered marble.

In the conference room, the table is finished with wooden planks. Complementing this unusual conference table, is the LCD panel framed with wooden planks while the rest of the wall is clad in mirror. As both Amit and Kallol like being surrounded by greenery, they have layed artificial turf on the floor. The brick-patterned wallpaper is in tune with the earthy eco-friendly theme of the space. Lacquered coloured glass has been aesthetically used in the partition and it also serves as a writing board. The human bust installation on the wall is quite eye-catching. This human bust is crafted out of fiber glass, painted and framed. Laquer finished glass panels of different shades are mounted on another wall which provide interesting relief from the overall eco-friendly theme of greenery and wood finish.











Open lobby showing the aquarium and colourful artefacts.

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Note the functional conference room.

The Directors' cabin is separated from the library space by a full length 12 mm clear tough glass. The tables of the two Directors are finished with veneer and polycoat. Beneath the Directors' tables are interesting shelving-cum-storage areas in the shape of open boxes of different sizes with mirror pasted at the back. The cabin is designed in asymmetrical pattern with grooves having in-built wooden niches finished with duco-paint and veneer.

The highlight of the library is a book shelf print on 3M. The open glass shelves in the library are finished with glossy laminates and glass shelves with colorful vinyl pasted at the back of the storage.

A central space is left vacant and this gives a sense of openness. This open space in the centre is encircled by the various zones of the office like the Design Studio, the Project Manager's Area and the Accounts area. The wall artwork, vinyl prints and colorful artefacts help embellish the office design and adds character to the space.



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The designer duo are proud of their office and the office design too is a labour of love and passion where the modern elegance is fused with functionality.



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AK Enterprises is owned and managed by designers Amit Maitra and Kallol Baroi. The duo have many prestigious interiors projects to their credit like offices of International Finance Corporation (A World Bank group), Bandhan Financial Services Ltd., SGS India Pvt Ltd., Inspectorate Griffith India Pvt Ltd., Wipro Limited among others.

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