

Best in class Storage

New order



1 This barn conversion in Cambridge has a beautiful freestanding neutral-painted bookcase designed by Neville Johnson that helps make a feature of its original red brick buttresses. The soft furnishings in tones of terracotta create a warm mood where the homeowners are keen to display their books. Costing about £13,000 (£15,000), the bookcase can be designed in sections to come apart and fit into another room or home.

nevillejohnson.co.uk

2 When you get into decluttering, if you can't bear to part with excess furniture or belongings you can always invest in off-site storage. A one cubic metre unit costs €10 per week for a minimum four-week period at Elephant Storage. Should you want to store the contents of a four-bedroom house you could expect to pay €110 per week for a 45 cubic metre unit for the same minimum period.

elephant.ie

3 Sliding or "pocket" doors allow easy access to floorspace allowing you to maximise the volume of a cupboard in the hall or on a landing. They can also create a portal to a secret room, a home gym or library without compromising the rest of the home. Prices at Galway-based Doorware start from €325; the top-of-the-range curved and painted Elisse doors and roller system pictured will cost from €4,300 to €4,800.

pocketdoors.ie

4 Drawers in kitchens allow easy access to table and cookware but for those in small spaces these drawers within deep drawers allow you to use every centimetre: deeper drawers for bottles and a shallow drawer to house knives or other utensils, keeping the counter clear. This Urbo island by London-based Roundhouse Design features rough-sawn oak veneer and a cast-in-situ concrete worktop.

roundhousedesign.com

5 For built-in storage, consider using wardrobes and cupboards as room dividers within an open-plan space. This Plana matt lacquered design comes with sliding or hinged doors and has an integrated handle. The interior can include drawers, pull-down hanging rails, laundry baskets and a safe. Available in 40 colours, it costs from €1,050 per linear metre. The six-door design pictured costs €3,705 from Lomi Design.

lomi.ie

6 One way to keep clutter behind closed doors is to add a decorative element. Arena stocks an Italian range by Sangiacomo, which features beautifully styled contemporary storage. The Odeon, pictured, is a glass motif called Signa on lacquered glass doors. Prices start from about €5,000; the trio of doors featured will cost about €47. The shelving comes in two sizes; the small is about €936 and the large about €1,412.

arenakitchens.com

7 You either love things or you love clean uncluttered lines. This new Tingo shelving from Habitat can display your fossil, record or knick knack collection with pride. The shelves here are filled with items that are functional and interesting. The vases range from €35.50 to €59, the Kirkwell candelabra and Duffield basket both cost about €47. The shelving comes in two sizes; the small is about €936 and the large about €1,412.

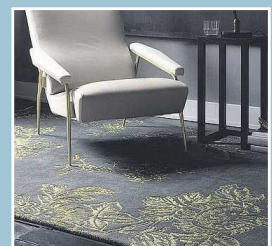
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8 The space in a bathroom is often under-used, from potential storage under the bath to the installation of laundry cupboards in odd corners; the latter can remove the clutter of having the washer and dryer in the kitchen if you don't have room for a utility. Ivory glass sliding doors can conceal the machinery when not in use. A three-door sliding system like that pictured costs from €1,900 and is available in Kube Interiors stores.

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