AI TOOLKIT SERIES · DECORATE

No. 107

Your Space, Restyled

Lay out and decorate a room at home, with AI.

10 prompts to diagnose, find a style, lay out the space, fit it out and cost it, and transform a room without a designer or a big budget.

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GOOD TO KNOW

AI imagines, you check.

In 2026, tools like RoomGPT, Homestyler, Interior AI or Planner 5D, and assistants like ChatGPT, Gemini or Le Chat, redraw a room from a single photo in seconds. Handy for picturing it, but three habits before you dive in.

- **A render is not a plan**
  The generated image looks great but can be unrealistic. Check that the furniture and spaces really exist and fit your actual room.
- **Measure before you buy**
  The AI cannot see your room. Give it the real dimensions, and check every piece of furniture's size on the seller's own site.
- **Keep your taste and budget**
  The AI follows trends. Do not redo everything at once: keep what you will still love in five years and what you can afford.

The right habit: let it suggest fast, decide slowly, measure before you buy.

THE METHOD

Ten prompts, five steps.

No design degree needed. These 10 prompts take you from diagnosis to shopping list: frame, style, lay out, fit out, then make it real. Change the brackets to fit your room.

Every prompt follows the same recipe: Role, Context, Task, Format. Copy the structure, change the brackets.

01 **Frame the project**
· 2 prompts

02 **Find the style**
· 2 prompts

03 **Lay out the space**
· 2 prompts

04 **Fit out and dress**
· 2 prompts

05 **Cost it and build**
· 2 prompts

PROMPT 01 · FRAME

The Honest Diagnosis

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Role: you are an interior architect who gets to the point.
Context: my room is a [type], [dimensions], with [pros and cons: light, overlooked].
Task: tell me honestly what works and what does not.
Format: 3 strengths, 3 weaknesses, and the first thing to fix.

What you get

A clear-eyed audit. You know where to start before spending a cent.

PROMPT 02 · FRAME

The Need Defined

PROMPT TO COPY

Role: you are a designer who starts from how people live.
Context: in this room I want to [live, host, work], budget [amount].
Task: help me turn these wishes into clear priorities.
Format: 3 needs ranked by importance, and what can wait for later.

What you get

A goal that fits you. Your wishes become a doable project, not an endless list.

PROMPT 03 · STYLE

The Style Found

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Role: you are a decoration adviser.
Context: I like [moods, colours, materials], I live in a [house, flat], budget [amount].
Task: propose one coherent style that fits this budget.
Format: 1 named lead style, its 3 signatures, and 2 close styles as backup.

What you get

A clear direction. No more mixing ideas that do not belong together.

PROMPT 04 · STYLE

The Matched Palette

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Role: you are a colour specialist.
Context: my style is [style], my room gets [little, lots of] daylight.
Task: build a harmonious colour palette for this room.
Format: 1 lead, 2 secondary, 1 accent, with where to put each (walls, floor, decor).

What you get

A room that breathes. The colours answer each other instead of clashing.

The Layout Plan

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Role: you are an expert in layout and flow.
Context: here is my room [dimensions, doors, windows] and my furniture [list].
Task: propose a plan that smooths movement and daily use.
Format: where to place each piece, why, and 1 variant if the space is small.

What you get

A space that flows. You move without bumping, each zone has its use.

The Right Piece

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Role: you are a savvy furniture buyer.
Context: I am missing [piece] for [use], space available [dimensions], budget [amount].
Task: tell me which features to aim for and which traps to avoid.
Format: 3 choice criteria, the right dimensions, and 2 common mistakes.

What you get

The right piece first time. It fits, it works, it does not eat the whole room.

The Lighting Planned

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Role: you are a lighting designer.
Context: my room is used for [uses], daylight [low, strong], mood wanted [soft, bright].
Task: propose lighting in several layers.
Format: ambient, task and accent light, with one fixture example for each.

What you get

A room that shifts mood. The right light in the right spot, morning and night.

The Finishing Touches

PROMPT TO COPY

Role: you are a decor stylist.
Context: my room is set (furniture, colours), style [style], budget left [amount].
Task: propose the touches that add character without clutter.
Format: textiles, plants, wall art, objects: 1 idea per category and where to put it.

What you get

The soul of the room. These details turn furnished into lived-in.

The Shopping List

PROMPT TO COPY

Role: you are a decor project lead who holds a budget.
Context: here is my project [summary] and my total budget [amount].
Task: turn it into a prioritised shopping list.
Format: a table (item, estimated cost, priority high, medium, low), and the total.

What you get

A budget under control. You buy the essentials first, the rest when you can.

The Orderly Project

PROMPT TO COPY

Role: you are a decor works coordinator.
Context: I want to redo [room] with [paint, furniture, decor], in [time available].
Task: give me the order of operations to avoid chaos.
Format: the steps in order, what must be done before the next, and the timing traps.

What you get

A stress-free project. You move in the right order, without undoing anything twice.

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