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HOME REMODELING TIPS

Creating functional spaces without changing your home's footprint

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Bay Area residents are increasingly looking for ways to maximize every square inch of their valuable residences. As a result, more residents are coming to HDR Remodeling for their team's expertise in architecting and designing creative solutions to maximize open livable space and improve their home.

We recently completed several kitchen, bath, and whole home remodeling projects that artfully repurposed existing and underutilized space, into pur-

poseful spaces that increase versatility and flow for everyday use and gatherings. We even built an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) that preserved an ancient coastal redwood.

As is often the case with older homes, there were significant structural issues that required attention—like the inevitable dry rot and termite damage, leveling a home's foundation, or making a home structurally sound with alternatives to load bearing walls. Our clients turn to us for our expertise in tackling technically challenging problems with

unique solutions to maximize functionality in their homes.

Kitchen in Richmond

The owners of a small, 1928-era Richmond residence with an outdated kitchen and closed off storage spaces reached out to HDR Remodeling to create an open concept floor plan conducive to entertaining.

To accomplish this, we had to remove load-bearing walls, creating a structural issue. Using creative ingenuity, we built 8'x16' structural support beams that spanned across the interior walls



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and solved the structural problem. Additionally, we elevated the interior aesthetic with beautiful natural wood beams that matched the home's original refinished oak floors, creating a light filled, versatile communal space with a well-appointed kitchen in the heart of it all.

ADU in Oakland

This project's clients were a commercial architect and interior designer that wanted to capitalize on the lessening restrictions around ADUs by transforming a dilapidated shed into a cozy guest house. The biggest challenge? Preserving a 150' tall redwood tree.

The construction team meticulously worked around the root system that extended under the proposed foundation, careful not

to disturb the roots of this ancient tree. The guest house, built to maximize space, is tucked underneath the redwood tree to provide a tranquil environment with natural light.

What this tiny home sacrificed in square footage, is rewarded with exquisite finishes, high-end flooring and furnishings, and a convenient, modern-day Murphy Bed for versatility and added room when not sleeping.

Local Home Remodel

The clients of this 1920's-era Oakland home originally came to HDR Remodeling to fix their roof and window. This expanded into something more extensive, including dry rot, water, and termite damage once the extent of the structural damage was

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