

HALLS OF FAME

All too often disregarded as mere thoroughfares, hallways are in fact a key room where visitors are welcomed and first impressions are made



Consider your aesthetics and make the most of the space to ensure your hallway sets a stylish tone for the rest of your abode.

ELEGANT STORAGE

Hallways have a tendency to become the elected area of a house where shoes are casually dumped, coats thrown over banisters, and disorder generally unfolds. Go bespoke to make the most of every inch of space or opt for a beautiful sideboard. Make the most of your under-stair space with a convenient cupboard with hidden coat hooks on the door and disguised shoe racks to minimise the inevitable clutter that comes with family life.

DRAMATIC LIGHTING

Just because the hall space at your disposal may not be anything like what you've got to play with in other sections of your home, it doesn't mean you should shy away from feature furnishings that pack a punch. Standout light fittings like a Moroccan lantern, statement chandelier or wall-based light installation instantly bring life into your hallway.

FEATURE MIRROR

A striking mirror hung close to your front door is a practical necessity for checking your



reflection before rushing out to take on the day, but it can also add a stylish flourish to the space. An antique gilded-framed mirror will add a decorative touch, or go angular and modern. A mirror casting a big reflection will also extend the room and stop your hall from feeling cramped and claustrophobic.

WARM RECEPTION

Often taking up the limited space in your hallway is a great, hulking radiator. Soften the look with a stylish wooden cover and give it a lick of paint in a shade that complements the hall's colour scheme. Covers can be intricately designed, and they also act as a neat shelf where you can place potted plants and photo frames. Alternatively, opt for a beautiful cast iron wall radiator and make a feature out of a necessity.

FEET FIRST

Look at the flooring. Tiling can be impactful and practical too. Meanwhile, carpet runners welcome a visitor into the home and add a pop of colour to a neutral scheme. Consider the impact of the carpet running up the stairs. Geometrics and stripes create interest rather than predictable plain.

PERSONAL TOUCH

Keep the space personalised with framed family photos on the walls and statement artwork. Feature clocks and quirky coat stands are useful and provide a talking point for your guests as they enter. And if you have a place to sit, so much the better. Plush chairs or even a chic bench are a great addition and make the hall look so much more considered. [TSL](#)

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