



THE FOUR THINGS GUARANTEED TO BLOW YOUR DESIGN BUDGET

When it comes to home renovations, everyone has a budget. As your interior design firm, it's our job to help you stick within your decided budget while making your vision a reality. Here are four common pitfalls that clients experience during the design process that get them off budget.

- 1. Not having a budget — or creating one too small for your vision and space.** Our rule of thumb: if you're purchasing a home, building new construction, or looking to overhaul your existing space, you need to allocate an interior design budget from the start. The worst thing that you can do is move into a large, expensive home, but not have any money left to incorporate your vision.
- 2. Not prioritizing what you really desire.** We often see clients get excited during the process and add to their original scope without realizing what that means for their existing budget. Give yourself permission to be honest about what you value most. Window treatments, lighting, local art, or even that custom chair you have your heart set on ... whatever it is that you find most important, we'll make sure it is covered in your budget!
- 3. Not being on the same page as your partner.** We can't stress how important communication is when hiring an interior design firm for your shared space. You and your partner should have budget conversations before you bring a third party in. You both need to participate in the process or designate one person to make decisions. No matter how much you love the ideas and designs we provide ... if your significant other isn't on board, your vision will remain only a dream.
- 4. Not engaging your design team soon enough.** When you hire a designer, you're making a significant investment of money and time into your home — trust the people you've hired and trust the process. As the conductor of your project, it is our job to coordinate all aspects of your project to keep you on budget and ensure we put the cherry on top of your design vision.

