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One of the biggest design considerations today is perhaps the lack of space. So how does one ensure efficient space allocation without compromising on luxury and style? Our homes in 2019 may be getting smaller, but they would also be smarter, more structured, greener and luxurious.

In the following pages, we show you how to achieve that perfect harmony, with top tips from architects and designers.



# UNDER THE OPEN SKY



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**F**or more and more homeowners in India, it is becoming important to have a sustainable home with green spaces. Gardens are growing vertical, terraces are turning into lush lawns and balconies are becoming the link between the built and the natural world. By next year, private outdoor areas will undergo a fresh revival. In fact, balconies will be designed like sitting areas, with coffee tables and lounge chairs, water sprinklers and soft, mood lighting.

“Space is a big constraint these days, but it is also challenging us to come up with new trends and ideas. In 2019, more and more balconies will turn into mini gardens with turfs and pots, and gardens will grow vertically to replace tile or brick walls. Highlighted with contemporary materials and styles, open, green spaces is the new design trend for the upcoming year,” **Mayank Paarekh, Co-founder, ADDA Architects.**

Urban homes are gradually looking inwards to build open spaces and to be able to feel connected to nature. Clustered living areas and the lack of public open spaces has led to a design



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revolution that is seeing homeowners invest in better gardens, lawns, terraces and balconies. Designers are responding with vibrant and experimental solutions that are responsive to the environment. “Defining trends start with understanding the requirement of the client and by being sensitive to the surroundings. Techniques such as terrace gardens, vertical green walls, artificial grass and garden pavers are smart solutions to the challenges faced in developing infrastructural arrangements. Every new project becomes a new design statement with integrated green ideas and essentials, as it comes with its own unique challenges and solutions,” Paarekh says.

The year 2019 will witness increasing connection with open private spaces and a healthy relationship with nature in one’s own home through technological advancements. These will become our oasis and help us overcome stress and anxiety.