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“**E**ssentialism is the new Minimalism,” said Huzefa Rangwala of MuseLab when I quizzed him about the Trends that will dominate the year 2021. I was amazed at how succinctly he summed up the solution to the mammoth crisis we are facing at the moment. This seems to be the unanimous design voice. 2020 in many ways has accelerated our shift towards a more mindful way of living. And the Trends Forecast for the year 2021 will elucidate this in more ways than one. There’s a need to rethink and re-evaluate the way we design and consume, and now is the time to make the change.

While we face a grim truth and work towards a better future — there’s still reason enough to celebrate. It’s Christmas after all — the Season of Joy. Just like that, we feel a lot more optimistic and positive than we had the entire year.

Our beautiful cover styled by Villas of Mint is a reflection of the celebrations — a little subdued, yet beautiful and warm. We hope you love it as much as we do.

As usual, we take you to some of the most beautiful homes in the country!

So...over to you...

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Seema Sreedharan
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TREND ALERT: USER-CENTRIC DESIGN THAT'S COMFORTABLE AND SUSTAINABLE

There has been a renewed appreciation for transitional spaces that maximise natural light and ventilation through double-glazed windows. Recycled or low environmental impact materials such as cross laminated timber, raw concrete and bio-plastics (plastic materials produced from renewable biomass sources, such as vegetable fats and oils, wood-chips, sawdust, recycled food waste, etc.), as well as neutral colours like blues, greys, whites and pastels are becoming increasingly popular. Additionally, the use of low-VOC paints (paint that contains Volatile Organic Compounds that are harmful chemicals carbon-containing substances) are being preferred with people prioritizing health and environment-friendly materials over luxury. There has also been a massive shift towards using local stones such as yellow Jaisalmer and river wash Kota.

Trend Alert: Creating a connection with nature, both visual and physical, through incorporating internal courtyards, maximizing window space and natural ventilation by adapting interior layouts will become a priority.

There has been a notable shift from the old design aesthetic of opulent luxury and ornament towards a clean, minimalist and green approach. The green approach will dictate interior and exterior choices with people preferring low-impact and eco-friendly materials.

— **Payal Seth Rastogi,**
Co-Founder, ZEDLab



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All the changes are a reaction to the major upheaval that this year brought into our routine lives. Which is also why this is not a permanent state.

— **Iram Sultan,** Interior Designer



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TREND ALERT: HYGGE, TECH-SAVVY HOMES

The year 2021 is going to be all about beauty, comfort and then some more comfort. 2020 has drilled that lesson into our hearts and minds. We need spaces that evoke happiness, comfort, a feeling of security and calmness. I see hygge making its way into our homes again. Everyone wants a quality of cosiness and comfortable conviviality that engenders a feeling of contentment or well-being. There is an added focus on technology that makes a home multi functional and allows people to work from home if needed. For this reason, there is a focus on creating studies and dedicated server rooms. Sanitization is a big addition at all levels and varies in its extent depending on the scale of the project. From mud rooms being built in farm houses to sanitising booths in smaller homes, it is the call of the day.

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