# Ultimate Interior Design Checklist for Interior Designers and Contractors



## 1. Initial Consultation

- Client's requirements and preferences
- Budget and timeline
- Site measurements
- Inspiration and design vision

# 2. Space Planning

- Room layout and dimensions
- Traffic flow and functionality
- Furniture placement
- Zoning (e.g., work areas, relaxation zones)

## 3. Color Scheme

- Primary color palette selection
- Accent colors
- Coordination with existing elements (flooring, walls)
  - Testing color swatches in natural light
- 4. Furniture & Fixtures
- Furniture style (modern, traditional, contemporary, etc.)
  - Sizing and proportions
  - Durable materials (e.g., upholstery fabric selection)

- Custom furniture requirements

## 5. Lighting Plan

- Ambient, task, and accent lighting
- Placement of lighting fixtures
- Natural light sources
- Energy-efficient options

#### 6. Flooring

- Material selection (wood, tile, carpet, etc.)
- Durability and maintenance requirements
- Floor color matching with overall design
- Acoustic considerations

### 7. Wall Treatments

- Paint, wallpaper, or textured finishes

- Accent walls or focal points
- Wall paneling, moldings, or cladding
- Artwork and wall décor placement

#### 8. Windows and Treatments

- Window measurements
- Curtain or blinds material (sheer, blackout, etc.)
- Style and color of window treatments
- Hardware selection (rods, brackets)

#### 9. Storage Solutions

- Built-in cabinetry, shelving, and closets
- Modular storage units
- Hidden storage options (under furniture, etc.)
- Decluttering and space optimization

#### 10. Kitchen & Bathroom Design

- Layout and work triangle in kitchens

- Selection of countertops, cabinets, and tiles
- Appliance and fixture placement
- Plumbing and electrical considerations

#### 11. Finishes & Materials

- Surface finishes (matte, glossy, textured)
- Sustainable or eco-friendly materials
- Maintenance and durability of materials
- Coordination with the overall design

#### 12. Textiles & Upholstery

- Upholstery material for furniture (durable sofa fabrics, luxury upholstery fabric)
  - Rugs and carpets
  - Curtains, throws, and cushions
  - Fabric color coordination

# 13. Outdoor Spaces

- Decks, patios, or balconies
- Outdoor furniture and materials
- Landscaping and garden design
- Outdoor lighting and décor

#### 14. Project Management

- Contractor coordination and scheduling
- Procurement of materials and furniture
- Regular site visits and progress reports
- Final walkthrough and client approval

#### 15. Final Touches

- Accessories and décor (vases, sculptures, art)
- Plants and greenery
- Styling and staging
- Client feedback and adjustments