

DESIGNING HOME OFFICES SO THAT YOUR WORKSPACE **BECOMES** YOUR FAVOURITE SPACE

PART 1: SMALL STUDY TIPS ON FURNISHING | ORGANISATION AND COLOUR SCHEME EXPERT INSIGHTS PRODUCT IDEAS FOR YOUR HOME



As you read this from your remote location -

where are you working at the moment?

At your desk in a dedicated home office, at the kitchen table with the kids, in a study corner in the bedroom – or somewhere completely different? Since everyone collectively migrated to the home office, the theme of office furnishing is suddenly relevant to us all.

We have decades of experience in design and manufacture of quality office furniture – which qualifies us to support you in your project to make your home workspace even more efficient and healthy.

OUR MISSION:

Working with you to furnish your home office so that it matches your spaces and your needs



To do this we use the experience we've accumulated in office outfitting and design. The truth is, our expertise can equally well be applied to working from home. **We hope you enjoy Part 1 of our workbook!** In it we look at the question of how to make the most of a little study.

Other editions of our **home office workbook** provide you with tips and tools for designing a work corner in **your living room (#2)**, **your kitchen (#3), your bedroom (#4)** and solutions for working **at the dining table in (#5).**

You'll find plenty of new things to discover online at **homeoffice.koenig-neurath.com** too.





Make small rooms look bigger

If your eyes aren't drawn to edges, corners and objects, it creates more of an impression of space. **This means that, contrary to popular belief, the trick is not to paint a small room in a light colour – but to make it appear visually calm.** If you can keep to monochrome as far as possible for the ceiling, walls, windows, furniture and accessories, the resulting impression is one of sheer size and the room immediately feels larger.

Multi-purpose space: how to combine a study and guest bedroom

TIPS + TOOLS

Not many people have the luxury of a dedicated room in their home that they can use exclusively as an office. For everyone who has to improvise: we've got a few tips for you to help make the best of the situation.

Get rid of clutter

Rooms used in a multifunctional way need intelligent storage. You see, that's the most convenient way to tidy away items you don't need – depending on the intended use at the time. Cupboards for your work equipment are just as practical as a larger wardrobe containing bed linen for your guests. Not only does a tidy home office make it easier for you to focus on your work, it also creates a better impression on video calls.





Conjuring up the perfect office

We're professionals and it's our job to translate the most frequent requirements of employees into office furniture and fittings. While classics like a height-adjustable desk and a versatile office chair are basic outfitting requirements, practical storage solutions and elements such as a whiteboard or notice board make your work more organised. It's worth investing in proper outfitting that will support you for the next 10 or 20 years. What should you look out for?

Turning a study into an office



Ideally 80 cm deep, 160 cm wide and 75 cm high



Swivel chair Seat size ideally 40 x 50 cm



Storage 2:8 rule for a space to feel harmonious: 20 % is visible, 80 % stored away

Whiteboard or notice board For ideas and notes

Accessories or pictures What motivates you at work? What cheers you up?

KNOW-HOW

Why the right colour plays a key role in the home office

The office trend is clearly moving away from white walls. Why?

Because in a room without much natural light, a white always looks vaguely greyish-green, which doesn't feel very warm and welcoming. And because we're supposed to feel comfortable when we work.

Which colour motivates you? What inspires you?

This would be a good colour to use for your workspace.

Whether you decide to paint the entire room a peaceful blue to encourage concentration, or go for a cheerful sunshine yellow in the corner where you keep your desk.

It has been shown to improve mood and has a stimulating effect. **Be daring with** colours and your mood will be uplifted – we promise you!



Pep up your home office OKAY.III with bounce effect

Our everyday superstar for spinal fitness makes sitting fun and encourages you to keep moving even while you sit. Physical movement boosts the blood flow to the muscles and also ensures that the brain is supplied with more oxygen. Further benefits:

- + OKAY.III can be adjusted in height, weight, seat depth and tilt with a single hand movement to suit different users
 - The bounce bands are available in white, black or orange
 - A special mechanism enables side-to-side movement, which allows more dynamic sitting
 - The lumbar support can be adjusted in height and depth for enhanced comfort



Our top candidate for your home office **ACTIVE.T keeps you moving**

When you stand up from a sitting position, the same applies as for **OKAY.III:** movement = muscle power = oxygen supply to the muscles = brain activation. That's why our **ACTIVE.T** is already a very popular choice for the home office:

- + ACTIVE.T offers a wide range of height adjustment so it can be used by the whole family
- + It features a **control panel** for very convenient height adjustment
- + Choose from a selection of different designs for the **desk top**

Behind the scenes

Interview with our interior designer Carina Hölzer

What should no one be without in their home office?

A really good ergonomic chair, efficient task lighting, a desk size appropriate to the work performed, and a well-organised work-life balance!

What's the smartest furnishing trick we could all use in our home offices?

The best furnishing trick is... to do everything possible to boost physical and mental health, and choose appropriate furniture with intelligent functions and a good design. Here, everyday functional aspects should be combined with homely, personal touches to achieve an overall composition that works well and looks great.

I value things like a screen shield to prevent glare, or being able to look at the garden or gaze into the distance. It's a chance to open the mind and rest the eyes. Depending on the job in hand, I can also deliberately incorporate all the rooms around my home into my daily routine. For instance if I have a reading task the living room sofa is ideal for that, and if I need a big space to spread out my paperwork I can use the dining table.

What do you like best about your office at home?

- My books, which have a lot to do with my work and my personality, and which I often miss when I'm at work because I don't have them to hand.
- 2. The art I've designed myself and my pictures, my old wooden cupboard that my father did up for me.
- 3. My favourite thing is the view of the garden and the coffee, which is absolutely amazing at home!

What we offer you: a competent local sales partner

We have access to an extensive network of dealers who provide expert advice and serve as a distribution channel for our products.

If you're setting up your own home office and need support, we'd encourage you to contact our dealer near you.

You can find even more inspiration, tips and ideas for all your home office needs at **homeoffice.koenig-neurath.com.** You can explore our entire portfolio of furnishing ideas at koenig-neurath.com.



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