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WORK YOUR HOME OFFICE HARDER

Creating the right environment is key in any room where hybrid working, studying or even a hobby takes place. Natural light has been shown to boost productivity, while pops of colour can help to energise thinking. An organised space will promote creativity by allowing you to work to your maximum potential. so it's worth taking the time to sort through paperwork and clear the clutter.



HELP DESK

Ordered storage will help you to work more effectively, so don't let office drawers and cabinets become dumping grounds. Go through them periodically to assess what's needed. Old tech cables and expired batteries can be recycled at some high-street retailers (see recycleyourelectricals.org.uk for local drop-offs) while charity shops will gladly accept excess stationery. Drawer inserts with individual compartments can help to keep things organised – Ikea has good options that will separate your spare staples from paperclips.



Osco letter holder, £12, John Lewis & Partners Shorty locker, £139, Mustard Made at Rose & Grey

Pen pot, £21, Dar Leone





Cabinetry created as part of a bespoke joinery project by Hux London. For similar accessories, try Rockett St George. For a similar desk chair, try Andrew Martin

GOOD THINKING

Desks should have ample space for the essentials – computer monitor, keyboard, mouse – as well as for useful extras like a pen pot and letter tray. But you also want enough room to write in a notebook without having to move these things around. Shelving placed directly above a desk area is ideal for storing books, box files and ring binders, but only keep physical copies of your most important documents as most things can now be stored securely online. Add an inspiring flourish or two to your set-up – fresh flowers or framed pictures will bring joy to even the most arduous of desk-based chores.