

# 30 Interior Design Skills The Pros Say You Should Know by 30

Don't knock yourself if something doesn't turn out right the first time

## 24 Design Logistically

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Andrea Goldman, Principal of [Andrea Goldman Design](#), started her career in residential real estate development, which truly influenced the way she thinks about design and planning. “When you are approaching a space—whether you are building it from scratch or simply reorganizing and redecorating—you have to think about logistics as much as aesthetics, and plan ahead,” she says. “You don’t want to design a room only to realize you haven’t communicated with your builder and electrician about the outlets you need behind the credenza, or buy a new piece of furniture that totally overwhelms the space when it arrives,”

explains Goldman. Always take measurements and consider all the details of a space. She suggests making sketches (even rough ones!) and to over communicate with any vendors you may be working with. “It will save you a lot of time and frustration on the backend and give you the freedom to focus on the fun of decorating,” says Goldman.