

Freshen up your interior in 5 simple steps



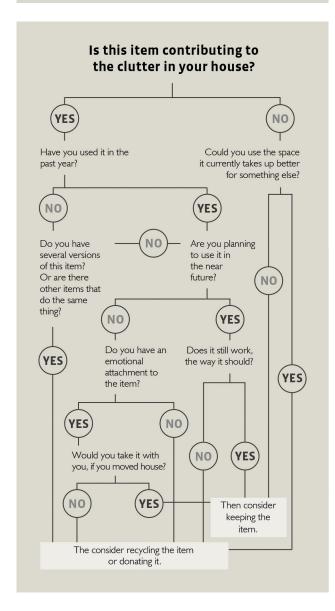


Step 1

Tidier is neater

Before you take your interior to task, it's important to have an overview. Whether you approach is as part of a restyle or just to make your life simpler, decluttering your home is a big job. That means the best way to approach it is in phases. Always concentrate on one room, one space or even one area within a room (such as your kitchen cabinets) before you start on another one. This maintains your overview and you can see a noticeable difference too.

TIP: Get started with a few boxes that you label according to their destination. One box for things you'll throw away, another for things you can donate to charity – but be sure to check which items could be recycled too.



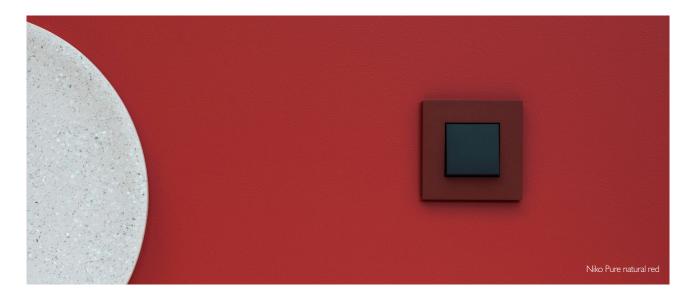




Step 2

Get to know colour

Now that you're starting with a clean slate, this gives you carte blanche when it comes to the colours in your interior. Before you start experimenting willy-nilly with paintbrush in hand, there are a number of things worth taking account of.



What are the colours you like?

Each colour creates a different atmosphere and it's important that this colour suits your furniture and accessories, as well as yourself. Do sufficient research and ask for professional colour advice if you need it.

Would you like to create a lively atmosphere, or a calmer one?

Choose colour combinations from colour families or light colours, if you'd like to keep things peaceful. Would you like to add a bit more oomph to your home? Then go for multi-colour and contrast.

Will you go for a warm look, or would you prefer a cool one?

Warm colours such as red, orange and yellow, as well as all the hues created by mixing these colours, provide a cosy, dynamic and lively atmosphere in your home. But take note: an excess of these hues creates unease instead.

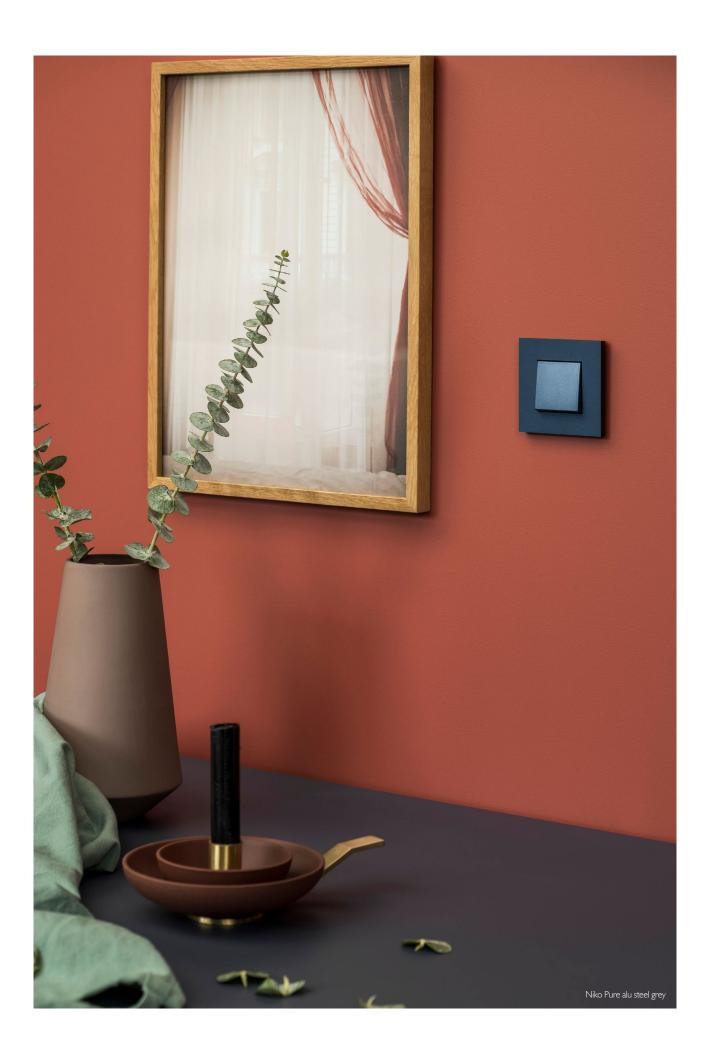
Cool colours such as purple, blue, green and all their colour combinations provide an oasis of peace, serenity and balance. What about **white** and **black**? In contrast to what many people think, both are definitely genuine colours. White belongs to the cool hues and black to the warm colours.

TIP: When choosing your colour palette, take account of the amount of daylight entering every room.

What functions are carried out in the room?

For the rooms where you spend a lot of time, it's a good idea to choose a colour that's not too glaring and that you won't soon get tired of either. If you choose a bright colour anyway, then go for an accent wall or statement accessory.





Step 3

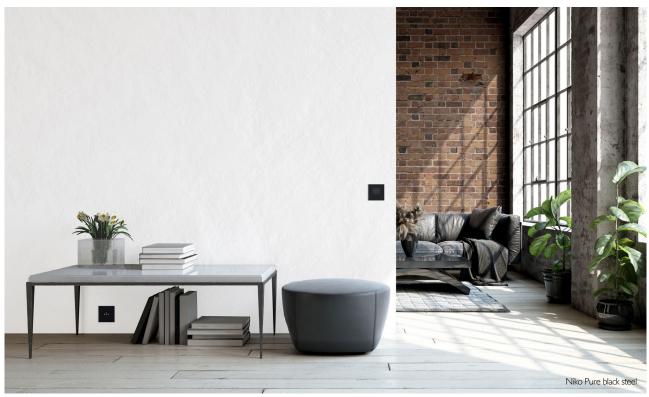
Fixed values in sigh

There will always be a few fixed elements in your interior that you can't get around. These might be the floors in your home, fireplaces or built-in cupboards, as well as switches and skirting boards. These might seem like small details at first, but they're definitely not! Put together all the fixed elements per room and see which ones you'd like to keep and which you want to replace.

TIP: The simplest update? Choose the right **switches**!



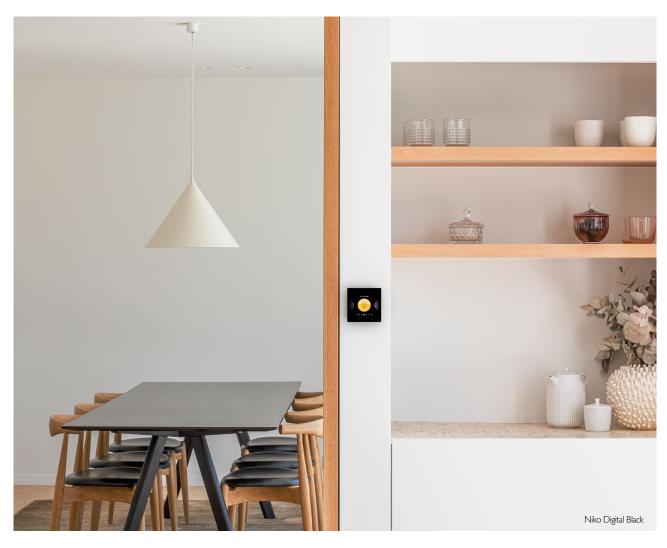
The minimalist design of the **Niko Pure** series lends itself best to sleek and modern interiors. The straight-lined contours, combined with the subtly curved front of the **Niko Intense** series make it the perfect choice for contemporary homes with warm touches. The soft lines and gently contoured shape of the **Niko Original** series really come into their own in cosy, modern, rustic interiors with a lot of warmth and texture.



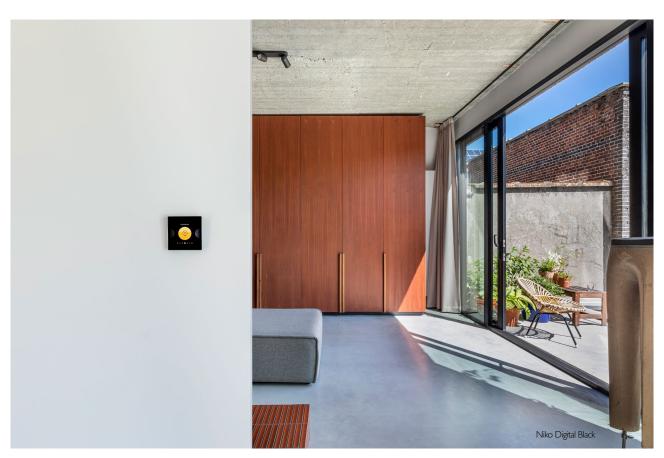
Step 4 Working flexibly

Now you've chosen a colour palette and the fixed elements in your home have been given an upgrade, you can get started on your furniture. To begin with, don't get bogged down in rooms. The time when you could only eat in the dining room and sleep in the bedroom has passed. In 2020, your home is gaining more and more functions and rooms are being laid out more cleverly. Outdoor activities, work and sports are things we're doing at home more and more often too. That makes a multi-functional layout combined with smart applications an absolute must. Have a crack at moving your furniture and positioning around!

Go for modular furniture that lends itself to several functions. Integrate a desk into a cupboard, creating peace in your living area but also enabling you to enjoy a nice workspace throughout the day. Or buy a drawer unit that you put under the dining table during your working hours, but comes out again in the evening. Aside from modular furniture, you can also create a multi-functional room layout by emphasising its various functions with colour or with smart applications such as scenes, smart lighting or a smart thermostat.



The <u>Niko Digital black</u> gives you all the tools for handling your home as flexibly as possible. You can control up to 12 functions with one switch. That means it doesn't just save space – you can also use it to easily create the right atmosphere for working or sleeping with the simple press of a button. The design of this digital switch is a perfect fit for the timeless and deep-black shine of the <u>Niko Pure liquid black</u>.







Niko's black finishings are elegant and timeless, but chiefly versatile. For Niko, black is more than just a colour and more than a feature. It goes with anything, but is often striking nonetheless. The black finishings lend themselves to a range of interior styles. You can choose from a curated range of both minimalist and maximalist interiors.

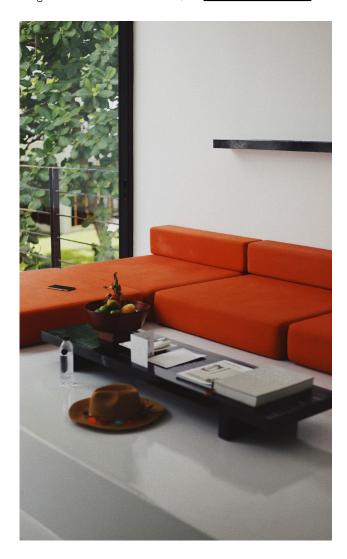
Step 5

Add some character to your interior

Last but not least, make your house a home by expressing your personality through decorations, plants, vintage discoveries, etc.

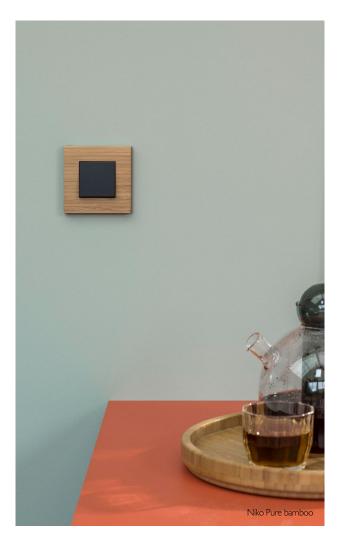
Plants creative a cosy and lively atmosphere, but also keep the air at home healthy by purifying it. The biggest advantage of plants? Plants suit any living style. Whether you have a rustic, modern or industrial interior, there's a suitable plant for any of them! Besides plants, accessories made from **natural materials** are also a good idea. Bamboo, for example, is a lovely & sustainable product that you can use frequently in your interior. Natural materials in combination with **metal**, on the other hand, will give your interior a nice vintage look. And that applies to your switching material too. When it comes to using authentic and natural materials, the **Niko Pure bamboo**

is the perfect choice for that extra-warm touch in your interior. Alternatively, Niko's finishings in aluminium are an absolute match when it comes to metal. The **Niko Pure alu gold** and **alu black** have a gold aluminium finishing and a black aluminium finishing. These finishings have a very luxurious texture, aged and bristly, but with a very nice shine. Conversely, the **Niko Pure Bakelite® piano black** will add some subtle character to your interior. This finish offers a modern black switch with a nostalgic button through the use of Bakelite — a material that is traditional, authentic and vintage.













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