



Bamboo by Sibylle von Hellermann, in the lobby of 315 Montgomery in San Francisco, consists of a layered array of brass tubes that contrast with the ornate architecture of the lobby in its simplicity. The brass tubes have a subtle texture and a pattern of horizontal holes, each tube houses a custom LED and diffuser assembly and is programmed with a subtle light pattern that simulates airflow. The two layers of brass tubes see light from each other and cast light, creating a three-dimensional effect, which is enhanced as the light from one tube reflects off of its neighbours.

FESTIVE LIGHTING

With the festivities around the corner, it is a great time to uplift the mood of your home and even go for a makeover. Ranbir Mehta, Director, Jaipur Lighting, lists out lighting trends for interiors.

* Statement light fixtures/ chandeliers

Look for unique fixtures to draw attention and add grace to the space. Replace a standard frosted glass pendant light or a boring brass chandelier with something unique and tailored for your style, which will pull together all the elements of a room and highlight the architecture of your home. Add a touch of luxury to your room with a double chandelier. Floral chandeliers are a bold choice, but they can look stunning in rooms with simple decor and furniture. Look for fixtures made from hand-blown glass that feature elegantly swooping stems and delicate buds to add impact to a plain dining room.

* Colourful lights

Brighten up an unusual space with coloured lights. Use changeable LED lights to decorate the exterior of your home. These lights come in varied colours

and are a must during the festive season.

* Classic meets contemporary

Mix old with new. A vintage touch with industrial hanging lights, keeps the surrounding updated while making it look royal and elegant.

* Classic ideas

Have fun with lampshades. They're easier to change and make the space look warm and welcoming. Hanging lanterns for open courtyards and balconies is another way to decorate your surroundings in a creative way. Floating candles is a theme that never gets old. Fill bowls of water and stick some floating candles in it. Add some decorative items at the bottom or colour the water, creating a design that's all yours.

* Get home the opulent chandeliers by Jaipur Lighting, which are made with lead-free spectra and Swarovski crystals of high precision cut, clarity, colour, and shapes from Swarovski. The frame of the chandeliers is made of pure brass, which comes with a 7-year warranty on the plating - ranging from 24K gold and rose gold to chrome, antique brass and copper.

You can even go floral with Koma Sora's new pendant light installation, which is inspired by the mangifera and jasmin flower. The chandelier is a collection of strings of white glass units that have yellow flowers at the bottom end. Two screens of these strings cross each other in a DNA-like structure creating a grand dramatic effect. While the star-shaped white units of the chandelier are in fact the jasmin flower, the yellow flowers at the bottom end are mangifera.



The 'Bach' floor light by Francesco Piretti, available at Lightspace Designs.

Worthy of a celebration,
these pieces of home-jewellery
make time stand still.



Curves are good

Accentuate the interiors with a few curves. From chandeliers to pendants and floor lamps, going all shapely never looked better.

ANTI-CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: **Doppler** light by Bonaldo at Grandeur and Simply Sofas; **Stealth** floor lamp by BrogiatoTaverso for Cattelan Italia at Idols; **Arrangements** by M. Anastassides for Ilos at Vis-a-vis; **pendant light** by Jaguar Lighting; **Eve-Conical chandelier** by Brand Van Egmond; at MKM Luce Suisse.