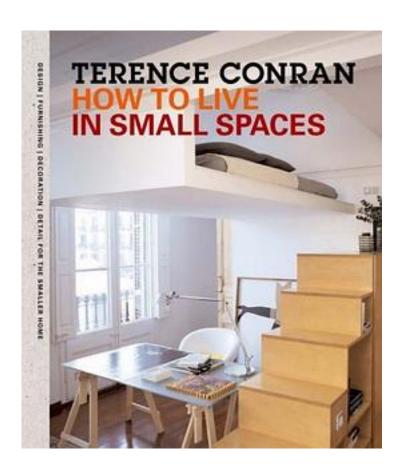
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"A world-renowned design authority shows how to make the most of every square foot." Whether motivated by soaring energy costs, smaller families or the desire to live more simply, homeowners are abandoning "McMansions" for smaller housing. In How to Live in Small Spaces, Terence Conran explains that what's paramount to livability is not square footage, but how the space is divided. In this comprehensive, full color book, Conran tackles the many challenges posed by small spaces. Chapters cover

storage, bedrooms, children's rooms, lighting, extension and much more. "Assessing your needs" checklists and "points to consider" sidebars add valuable ideas. The six case studies that conclude the book provide excellent examples of great designs. The author offers practical advice on exploiting every inch of space through: Using fold-down and pull-out features Buying slimline appliances Installing indoor portholes and windows Lessening the impact of furniture Using scale and proportion to advantage Manipulating color, texture and pattern Using screens, partitions and platforms Improving circulation paths. Terence Conran never forgets the challenges posed by small spaces or the ingenuity and compromises required. He shows how easy it is to create a home whose comfort is not dependent on size, but on efficiency and integrity.

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