Seating

No matter how small, almost every home has a couch. They are simply integral to an interior living space—the place where we sit, rest, temporarily leave belongings, sleep, watch television, and sit and drink an intimate cup of tea with a close friend. However, couches are also one of our most bulky and heavy pieces of furniture, visually and literally. In homes where space is at a premium, couches can absorb a lot of room. Thankfully there are solutions to these challenges, with many choosing to build their couch into the space, or using it as a form of storage, creating movable seating, or hiding it completely.



A little nook of Storage

The nook in furniture design studio <u>Tas-ka's</u> Netherlands store is used to display their bedlinen and pillows. The timber cupboards surrounding the alcove provide storage space for fabrics created in the studio at the rear of the store.



An IKEA Couch

In this apartment, Swedish designer Emma Fischer has used a simple couch from the IKEA PS range to create a cozy, corner seating area.



A wallmounted reading bench

In this transformation of a pre-fab apartment in Prague, BY Architects has created seating areas built from white-lacquered plywood and mounted them to the walls in the spaces created as rooms flow into one another. Set within a wall of timber bookshelves, this little resting place acts as a spot to sit and read.