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The Complete 2BHK Interior Design Cost Guide

An honest, room-by-room breakdown of what a 2BHK interior actually costs in Bangalore — and where most homeowners lose money without realising it.

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What "Complete Interior" Actually Means

Why two quotes for the same home can differ by ₹10 lakhs

This is where most budget confusion begins. When a vendor quotes you ₹5 lakhs for a 2BHK interior, they may be referring only to carpentry — the wardrobes, the kitchen cabinets, the TV unit. When a design studio quotes ₹14 lakhs, they may be including flooring, electrical work, false ceilings, paint, soft furnishings, and project management fees.

Neither figure is dishonest. They're just describing completely different scopes of work. Throughout this guide, we're talking about a

complete interior fit-out — everything from flooring to curtains, kitchen to bathrooms, lighting to that final cushion on the sofa. A home that's ready to live in, not ready to start shopping for.

Key takeaway: Always ask any vendor or studio exactly what their quote includes before comparing numbers. A "₹5 lakh kitchen-only" quote and a "₹5 lakh full interior" quote are not competing offers — they're different products entirely.

A Typical Bangalore 2BHK

Most Bangalore 2BHK apartments run between 950 and 1,300 sq ft of carpet area. The breakdown in this guide reflects a **mid-range finish level** — not the cheapest materials available, and not premium imported finishes, but quality work that holds up well over a decade of daily use.

The Room-by-Room Breakdown

Where your budget actually goes

Living & Dining Area

The most visible room in your home, and it receives a proportionate share of the budget — a TV unit with wall treatment, sofa and coffee table, dining set, layered lighting across two or three circuits, curtains, and a rug. False ceiling work with cove lighting is common here.

Budget range: ₹2.5 - 4.5 lakhs

Modular Kitchen

Typically the single most expensive room — highest density of functional elements. Cabinets, countertop, backsplash, sink, fittings, and appliance integration all add up. Material choice (laminated vs acrylic vs membrane) swings cost significantly.

Budget range: ₹2 - 4 lakhs (island kitchens add ₹60,000 - 1.2 lakhs)

Master Bedroom

A wardrobe that actually holds everything, a bed with storage underneath, thoughtful layered lighting, and a restful finish. Often includes a small study ledge or dressing area.

Budget range: ₹1.5 - 2.5 lakhs

Second Bedroom

Serves multiple functions — children's room, guest room, or home office. The brief is usually more functional than aesthetic: a well-designed wardrobe, a study unit if needed, and durable finishes.

Budget range: ₹1 - 1.8 lakhs

Bathrooms (2)

Waterproofing quality before tiling determines whether you're redoing the bathroom in five years. Don't cut corners here — it's a ten-year asset when done properly.

Budget range: ₹80,000 - 1.5 lakhs per bathroom

Foyer & Utility Areas

Often an afterthought, but repays attention disproportionately — a shoe cabinet, considered lighting, and smart utility planning for machines and cleaning supplies.

Budget range: ₹40,000 - 80,000 combined

Total Budget Summary

Mid-range finish level, 950–1,300 sq ft 2BHK

SPACE	MID-RANGE BUDGET
Living & Dining	₹2.5 – 4.5 lakhs
Modular Kitchen	₹2 – 4 lakhs
Master Bedroom	₹1.5 – 2.5 lakhs
Second Bedroom	₹1 – 1.8 lakhs
Bathrooms (2)	₹1.6 – 3 lakhs
Foyer & Utility	₹40,000 – 80,000
Total (Mid-Range)	₹9 – 16.5 lakhs

A budget below ₹9 lakhs is possible but involves real compromises on material quality or scope. A budget above ₹16 lakhs typically reflects premium material choices, imported hardware, or a higher level of custom carpentry detail.

What Makes Budgets Overrun

The two most common causes, and how to avoid them

1. Electrical & Plumbing Surprises

Particularly common in older apartments in Indiranagar, Jayanagar, and other established neighbourhoods where existing wiring isn't up to modern load requirements. Budgeting a contingency of **8–10%** of your total project cost is not pessimism — it's accuracy.

2. Scope Additions Mid-Project

The false ceiling that was only in the living room gets extended to the bedroom. The plain wardrobe becomes a wardrobe with integrated lighting. Each decision is small individually; collectively, they add up fast.

Pro tip: Being clear about your brief at the start, and disciplined about changes mid-project, is the single most effective way to stay on budget.

Before You Request a Quote

A short checklist to bring clarity to your project

- ✓ Identify which 2-3 rooms are non-negotiable priorities for your budget
- ✓ Decide what finish level you genuinely want to live with for the next 10 years
- ✓ Get clarity on whether quotes include flooring, electrical, and false ceiling — or carpentry only
- ✓ Set aside an 8-10% contingency for older apartments with ageing electrical/plumbing
- ✓ Decide your scope upfront and stay disciplined about mid-project additions
- ✓ Compare studio fees (typically 10-15%) against the coordination and quality-control value they provide

Studio vs. Vendor: Where Does the Money Go?

A design studio fee covers design, project management, vendor coordination, and quality control — the experience of having done this many times before. That fee is not a margin on top of your interior. It's what ensures your interior turns out the way it was designed, on time, without the renovation horror stories that are a staple of every apartment complex WhatsApp group in Bangalore.

Budget planning isn't about finding the cheapest number — it's about allocating intelligently, so the money goes where it matters most to you, and the result is a home that feels worth every rupee spent.

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