



Slender and stylish, Rockett St George's Slim Black Metal Writing Desk (W125cm x D44cm x H64cm) is a great option when space is in short supply. Adding plants and prints will domesticate the industrial feel. £345; [rockettstgeorge.co.uk](http://rockettstgeorge.co.uk)



# Action stations

With more and more of us in need of some homeworking space, Katrina Burroughs gives her pick of the hottest desks

Soho Works is a new co-working space in east London, run by the Soho House group. The industrial, club-style decor mixes midcentury modern with ergonomic task lighting and chairs. [sohoworks.com](http://sohoworks.com)

**M**odern ways of working are reshaping interiors, as the line between work time and free time blurs. A workstation in the home is now a must, whether you're a millennial with a 24/7 freelance portfolio or a manager keeping an eye on emails over the weekend. And designers are focusing anew on that often overlooked item of furniture: the domestic desk.

"It's quite a cultural phenomenon," says Tanya Nathan, director of Soho Works, the co-working space just opened by the Soho House group in Shoreditch, east London. The idea came from observing the habits of Soho House club members, who are drawn largely from the creative industries. "We saw, over the period, a huge increase in members bringing in laptops. Some were almost conducting the business from the chair. "The roles people are doing are changing, and there's a huge sense of entrepreneurship."

Nathan believes she has created the perfect environment for flexible creative self-starters to flourish. Set in an old tea factory, the 16,000 sq ft

The Companions desk, by Studioilse for De La Espada (W140cm x D40cm x H73cm), has a cork bowl to keep cables tidy, and a cork-lined top that shuts to hide paperwork. Shown in oak, with a Danish-oil finish, it also comes in painted ash. Reduced from £2,454 to £2,086 until January 31; [twentyone.com](http://twentyone.com)

