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SLUMBER PARTY

TODAY'S BUNK ROOMS HAVE EVOLVED FROM THE DORMITORY-STYLE BUNKS OF THE PAST

ncluding a bunk room is a convenient and space-saving way of getting extra sleep-andrelaxation space in a home. While the idea of climbing a ladder to the top bunk might remind you of summer camp, the plans architects and interior designers are coming up with are a far cry from the dormitory-style bunk rooms of the past.

Sleek built-in beds, luxurious linens, bookshelves, lamps and charging ports for electronic devices are among the things that take modern bunking to the next level.

Abby Hetherington, who has an interior design firm in Bozeman, Montana, created just such a sophisticated spot that appeals to the young adult members of a client's family. "It should be a privilege to be in the bunk room," she says.

That room and three additional bunk rooms featured here show how bunk rooms are anything but basic these days.

TRUE BLUE To make sure everyone in their large extended family could converge on their Montana getaway and have a place to sleep, a couple had their architect include four master suites, a junior suite and a bunk room in the plans. Playing off the home's modern rustic aesthetic, interior designer Abby Hetherington had the reclaimed wood bunks painted in Benjamin Moore's Calypso Blue. The beds are full-sized to accommodate adults; other grown-up choices were the custom linen headboards by C&C Milano and Coyuchi bedding. The bunks feature reading lights, shelves for books and outlets for electronic devices. "We wanted it to be a fun, unique space where people could have their own zones," the designer says, adding that it was designed as much for the family's older members as for their four grandkids. The stool with a fringed leather seat is by furniture maker Doug Nordberg of North Mountain Gallery in Cody, Wyoming.

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