

HOME SQUARE

Room to grow

Inventive products for the little people in your life are available at many stores, writes *Ann Wan*

CHILDREN

Ikea
children's
mirror



If you need inspiration while furnishing your children's rooms, Home Square has a variety of shops selling furniture and accessories for children of all ages.

Ikea is possibly the best-known store for children's furniture and products, and it also has a playroom for youngsters when they need a break from shopping with mum.

Danish brand Flexa can be found on Level 3 with its

functional but fun items such as beds, which can be added to depending on the child's needs. For instance, a six-year-old would enjoy the slide that can be attached to the bunk. Natural materials can be made into a princess- or castle-themed bed. All furniture meets international safety standards.

Kids Land Furniture on Level 3 sells Disney-themed children's furniture. Whether it is a bed, chair, table, desk or toy box, you

can find Mickey or Minnie Mouse, Winnie the Pooh, Toy Story, Cars or your favourite Disney princesses emblazoned on the items. Thomas and Friends is also available.

You may also ask Indigo Living on Level 1 for its children's catalogue.

Mama's Dear on Level 2 offers high-quality, eco-friendly, stylish baby products for all your baby's needs, from a selection of strollers, high chairs and safety gates to tableware, bottles, baby clothes

and more. Shopping with very young children is made easier by Home Square's customer service department, which offers parents with babies a loan of baby trolleys. It can also supply baby napkins, a food-warming service and hot water for baby bottles.

Other shops of interest to children include Popular Books, which sells mainly Chinese books, and Tom Lee Music, which recently moved into the mall.



Mama's Dear caters for babies.

Right recipe for success

Euan McKirdy

It's no surprise that the kitchen tends to be the one room people gravitate towards in the home, whether it be at parties or for a comfortable space to hang out. Unfortunately, kitchens in Hong Kong are often not the spacious, welcoming environments that they can be in other countries.

German Pool has been based in Hong Kong for 11 years and boasts three large kitchen cabinetry and appliance showrooms, which opened originally in Wan Chai and then in To Kwa Wan. Now in Sha Tin's Home Square, German Pool provides kitchen cabinetry and built-in appliances in a one-stop-shop service.

With typical Teutonic efficiency, German Pool has been making Hong Kong kitchens habitable since the 1970s and even more so since opening its own doors in 2000 with its first kitchen appliances and cabinetry concept store in Wan Chai.

The company, which is a

GERMAN POOL



Products available include blenders and rice cookers

collaboration between Hong Kong and German entities, has been specialising in home electrical appliances and kitchen cabinetry since 1982, and its experience has been invaluable in applying European design and manufacturing expertise to Hong Kong's unique kitchen needs.

German Pool takes an active role in designing innovative products and is very serious about quality control. Alongside selling German-made and -designed water heaters, it also partners with German engineers and product designers in designing its home electrical appliances product lines.

The company has anything and everything the modern home chef needs, including German-made electric water heaters, range hoods, induction cookers and gas cooking ranges, and professional high-speed food processors, multipurpose halogen cooking pots, the "ultimate" rice cooker, slow cookers, and steam and grill microwave ovens. Smart appliances are creating a buzz in the industry,



German Pool kitchen furnishings

and German Pool has established itself as a leader in these early on.

True to its "one-stop" philosophy, the company also provides kitchen cabinets and built-in appliances imported from Europe.

From concept to product design, and from production to sales, quality is a priority. German Pool has made its name in the local market and emerged as one of the most influential players in this industry in Hong Kong. The company has won numerous awards including the "Q-

Mark" Service Award, Consumer's Choice and Hong Kong Superbrands.

The company prides itself on its environmentally-friendly ethos that makes energy-efficiency and high quality as cornerstones of its lifestyle products, with quality service and support as a complementary factor in this.

The company also supports and promotes healthy living and as a result the company chimes well with Home Square's lifestyle-oriented direction.