

## Creating the perfect guest room with Econoloft

If you have regular overnight guests – what could be an enjoyable visit may turn into anything but if you don't have the right space. It could mean children being forced to share a room, or someone having to rough it on the sofa or, perhaps it's you who reluctantly offers up your bedroom.

Econoloft have helped customers all over Greater London and the Home Counties transform their unloved attic into stunning guest bedroom suites and here we share our top tips for a successful transformation.

When it comes to the fixtures, fitting and furniture specifications, will you be offering your guests a five-star experience or a budget break? Budget will play a part but you will be surprised how you can provide a touch of luxury with some careful thought.

### The bed

A new double bed or even twin beds can be costly, but look for small, independent shops who are often less expensive than the major chains. Or, check out your local community sellers' markets on line. You can easily make any bed look lavish if you use beautiful bedding and linens. A bedside table and reading light are also a must-have for a guest bedroom.



However, remember this is a guest bedroom and not a family room and so don't clutter with personal objects or photographs. An artificial plant or a vase of fresh flowers should be fine.

### Storage

While you are probably not expecting (or hoping!) your guests are staying for the long-haul, nevertheless providing some space to hang their clothes and a couple of drawers will be appreciated. Loft conversions often produce nooks and crannies which can be a good place to add a wardrobe or drawers.

### Bathroom

Ideally, Econoloft will always recommend developing an ensuite facility in the loft conversion. Both your household and your guests will be much comfortable if you don't have to share

facilities and, in the longer term, adding a new bathroom to your home will add value should you ever wish to sell.

Think like a hotel – buy travel size personal care products that guests can make use of – shampoo, conditioner, soap and toothpaste. Make sure they have plenty of loo roll and providing clean, fluffy towels is one less thing they have to think about. Don't forget to leave a few cleaning products in the bathroom too – a hint they should clean the bath or toilet before they leave!

Using a loft conversion to develop a usable space in your property will also add value. A guest room make meet your personal needs now but of course, this is a flexible space that can be adapted to suit your requirements as your circumstances change. Talk to Econoloft about adding space and value to your home.