

# How to Choose Sustainable Upholstery Fabrics for Your Home

#### **Understand Fabric Certifications & Labels**

- Look for GOTS, OEKO-TEX, Bluesign, or Fair Trade certifications
- Ask for transparent sourcing and environmental impact reports

#### Choose Materials That Last

- Natural fibers like linen, hemp, organic cotton, bamboo
- Recycled materials (polyester blends, upcycled textiles)
- Tight weaves & durable constructions to reduce wear

#### Consider Comfort & Maintenance

- Choose breathable fabrics for comfort (linen, cotton)
- Check how easy fabrics are to clean & repair
- Opt for removable covers or washable options

### Eco-Friendly Dye & Finish Options

- · Low-impact, plant-based or azo-free dyes
- Avoid PVC, harsh chemical treatments, flame retardants if possible
- Use finishes that enhance performance without harming the environment

## Sustainability in Supply & Lifecycle

- Ensure practices like low water use, renewable energy, fair labor
- Assess lifecycle: production, use, disposal / recyclability
- Choose brands that take back or repair old fabric pieces