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THINK BIG
Another easy way to inject fun into a child's room is to play with scale, says interior designer Jacinta Preston.
"One beautiful, over-size piece of furniture, even in a tiny room, can make it an interesting space," Preston says. "A large green-up, deliciously comfy armchair or a glamorous full-height mirror can add a theatrical or 'designer' element to the space. And using regular-size, rather than children's, furniture will allow the space to grow and evolve with the child or the household - which helps both the household budget and the planet!"
Preston suggests looking around the house for items you already own that can find a new use: a lovely old sideboard can make a great change table, for example.

1 Upholstered single bed, from \$1250, with Alphabet sheet set, \$135, pillowcase, \$29, H cushion, \$55, square cushions, \$39/each, circle cushion, \$39, quilt, \$130, blanket, \$135, H lamp, \$89, and toybox, \$485, all Lily & Lolly; (02) 9542 7744 or www.lilyandlolly.com.au. 2 Hunter Victorian ash king single bed, \$2099, with Caroline pillowcase, \$15, and queen-size sheet set, \$99, all Freedom; 1300 135 588 or www.freedom.com.au. 3 Knitter pine single bed, \$249, with Vitamin B11 quilt cover set, \$30, both Ikea, (02) 8002 0400, www.ikea.com.au. 4 Plantation timber bunk beds with trundle, \$2290 (includes three mattresses), plus five-drawer tallboy, \$990, reversible quilt cover set (bottom bunk), \$176, and Star cushion, \$42, all Sirocchome; 1800 888 836 or www.sirocchome.com.au. For similar bedlinen (top bunk), try Sirocchome. 5 Ashleigh timber single bed, \$599, Treehouse; (02) 9519 6166 or www.treehouse.net.au. Fire Truck Red sheet set, \$100, and Fairground quilt cover set, \$100, both Sheridan; 1800 625 516 or www.sheridan.com.au. 6 Pod timber cot, \$1899 (junior bed conversion kit, \$199), Ubabub; (03) 9923 9993 or www.ubabub.com.

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