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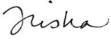
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Even in the middle of summer, us Texans crave the outdoors and search for direct and indirect connections with nature. Wells Mason wrote of biophilic design in this NARI column without knowing of the projects featured, and it couldn't have been more appropriate. For the architects and designers in this issue, their designs are a direct response to the world outside the home and finding solutions to merge the two together.

Summer is also the time to hit the road. Our intrastate waterways and lakes are around every corner, and with more than 350 miles of Texas coastline, there are plenty of options and opportunities to find relaxation and recreation near water. I'm happy to highlight resorts that cater to multi-generational families, couples and even Parrotheads who are inspired by the laidback lifestyle Jimmy Buffett created. For more inspiration, turn to Slim Aarons whose photos highlight beautiful locales and the desirable lifestyles of socialites. It's all good!



Trisha Doucette Editor

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Designed by Pax Chagnon, AIA, the home's unique and intriguing entry is accessed via an elevated walkway adjacent to the open courtyard. Page 32. Photo by Dror Baldinger, FAIA



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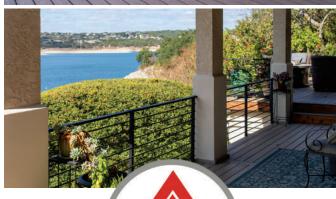
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SLIM AARONS' ICONIC PHOTOGRAPHS OF SOCIALITES AND JET SETTERS IN THE '50S, '60S AND '70S CONTINUE TO INSPIRE ALL AREAS OF DESIGN AND LEAD VIEWERS TO ASPIRE TO THE STYLISH AND LEISURELY LIFESTYLE THAT HE CAPTURED ON FILM.



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A River Runs THROUGH IT



BY DREW HENRY

FROM SAN ANTONIO THROUGH THE HILL COUNTRY TO AUSTIN,
A NETWORK OF RIVERS FUELS THE LIFEBLOOD OF OUR COMMUNITIES
AND SERVES AS A SOURCE OF RECREATION AND BEAUTY.

Hundreds of years ago, these rivers were what drew settlers to build in the first place, serving as means of transport and irrigation. Today, we continue to flock to the rivers as we walk the San Antonio Missions, float through the Hill Country and escape busy downtown Austin for a cool dip. We are familiar with rivers in our own backyard so let's explore a few things our neighboring cities have to offer for summertime recreation. From San Antonio to Austin, we're navigating the river home.

SAN ANTONIO

Immerse yourself in culture.

MISSION REACH — Our journey begins at San Antonio's Mission Reach where over 300 years ago, settlers built the first mission sites along the San Antonio River. The missions include Mission San Juan Capistrano, Mission Espada, Mission San Jose, Mission Concepcion and the Alamo. In the early 1700s, these missions served as community centers, farms and churches. Today, they are regarded as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. A newly designed eight-mile park, including walking and biking trails, a paddling trail for kayaks and ten public art projects,











serves as the connection to the missions, bridging the city's past, present and future.

bowntown RIVER WALK — You hit San Antonio's downtown River Walk as you travel north along the river. This bustling stretch includes famous sites like the Arneson River Theatre, which made an appearance in *Miss Congeniality*. It is also home to La Villita, San Antonio's oldest neighborhood. Monthly events along the river draw visitors and locals and of course, a trip to the River Walk wouldn't be complete without grabbing a riverside prickly pear margarita!

MUSEUM REACH — Further north lies the Museum Reach — the connection to San Antonio's cultural corridor, including the Tobin Center and the San



Antonio Museum of Art. Along the way, you will find beautiful trees, foliage and public art projects. Two of the most iconic installations are F.I.S.H by New York artist Donald Lipski, featuring 25 seven-foot-long illuminated sunfish, and The Grotto by San Antonio artist Carlos Cortes, featuring a waterfall cove lined with shells and stalactites.

PEARL — At the end of the San Antonio River walking path sits the historic Pearl, the former site of the Pearl Brewery, which has been reclaimed for premier shopping, dining and entertainment. Here, you can explore some of the city's best restaurants, including Mon Chou Chou, Best Quality Daughter and Allora. Or, you can relax on the Pearl lawn for live music performances or the weekend farmer's market.





HILL COUNTRY

Embrace your Texan roots.

SAN MARCOS — Tubing the river is a favorite summer pastime among Texans, and the San Marcos River is one of the best spots to go for a float. Bubbling from a natural spring, the river remains a refreshing 72 degrees yearround, serving as the perfect spot to cool off in the hot summer sun.



GRUENE — Located along the Guadalupe River, Gruene is home to Gruene Dance Hall. Dating back to 1878, it's the oldest continually operating dance hall in Texas. Here, you can do the two-step and walk next door to enjoy a riverside dinner at Gristmill, a former cotton gin built the same year.

NEW BRAUNFELS — Further down the Guadalupe sits Whitewater Amphitheater in New Braunfels. It is the only music venue bordered on two sides by a year-round creek. This multi-million-dollar facility with state-of-the-art sound and lighting hosts Texas' biggest country music artists.

WIMBERLEY — Fed by the Blanco River, Wimberley is a prime spot for Hill Country wineries and olive orchards. Wimberley's art scene is also thriving with regular workshops and galleries such as Wimberley Glassworks who have been creating exclusive glass collections since 1992.

AUSTIN

Discover an urban escape.

RED BUD ISLE — In Austin, the Colorado River lakes serve as a relaxing escape to nature amidst the bustling city. Red Bud Isle is a 13-acre off-leash dog park that sits along the Tom Miller Dam, where Lake Austin ends and Lady Bird Lake begins. The island offers hiking, fishing, kayaking and splashing with your fourlegged friends. After exploring the cove, you can head to nearby Restaurant Row for some of the city's favorite dining spots, including Hula Hut, Mozart's, Alta's Cafe and Abel's.

SHOAL BEACH METRO PARK — Along the shores of Lady Bird Lake lies Shoal Beach. Located west of Zilker Park, the Pfluger Pedestrian Bridge and Butler Hike and Bike Trail, the beach sits at the point where Shoal Creek and the Colorado River meet. Relax in a waterside haven where you can take in the views and connect with nature.

SECRET BEACH — Secret Beach is located along the Colorado River inside the Roy Guerrero Park on the city's southeast side. Finding the beach is half the fun. Once you walk down the 15-minute trail, you will uncover a secluded inlet with twists and turns that provide a private beach experience in the heart of the city.

COLORADO RIVER WILDLIFE SANCTUARY — The Colorado River Wildlife Sanctuary lies across the banks from Roy Guerrero Park and next to the Colorado River Trailhead. This wooded riparian walking trail provides a home for migrating songbirds and rich wetlands for waterfowl nests, making it a sanctuary for birds and avid birdwatchers alike.

Whether you are in San Antonio, the Hill Country or Austin, you are connected to Texas through rivers that have been flowing through our landscape for centuries. With so many connections to our rich culture, it's easy to navigate the river home. •





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Wading through the suspicion, corruption and uncertainty of 1945 Germany, Anna Klein clings to the hope for normalcy and returning to her pre-war life. Displaced with her young daughter, separated from her husband

and reliant on the kindness of a family friend for shelter, she lands a coveted job in the typing pool at the American Collecting Point where the Monuments Men are working to retrieve and return Nazi-looted art to its rightful owners. When an impromptu promotion to the job of translator for Captain Henry Cooper pushes Anna into the world of mysterious art dealings during the war, she discovers she has a talent — and the courage — to confront the perpetrators of these wartime crimes and to right these wrongs, which goes far deeper than simply returning some pictures to their owners. In the process, Anna realizes her future holds a much greater purpose than she ever realized and that she has the power to chart a new path forward, if she can decide to take it.

That Which Remains won an Ippy Gold Award in 2022 and is Book 3 in the Ann Klein Trilogy. *The Roses Underneath* won Ippy Gold in 2015 and *What is Forgiven* won Ippy Silver in 2018.

LAST DANCE ON THE STARLIGHT PIER

Sarah Bird



July 3, 1932: Shivering and in shock, Evie Grace Devlin watches the Starlite Palace burn into the sea and wonders how she became a person who would cause a man to kill himself. She'd come to Galveston to escape a dark past in vaudeville and become a good person, a nurse.

When that dream is cruelly thwarted, Evie is swept into the alien world of dance marathons.

Last Dance on the Starlight Pier is a sweeping novel that brings to spectacular life the enthralling worlds of both dance marathons and the family-run empire of vice that was Galveston in the '30s. Unforgettable characters tell a story that is still deeply resonant today as America learns what Evie learns — that there truly isn't anything this country can't do when we do it together. That indomitable spirit powers a story that is a testament to the deep well of resilience in us all that allows us to not only survive the hardest of hard times, but to find joy, friends, and even family, in them.

GONE TO DALLAS

Laurie Moore-Moore



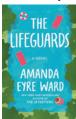
Sara arrives in Dallas a 19-year-old widow — armed with plenty of pluck — determined to open a general store in the tiny settlement of log cabins on the Trinity River. But Dallas is an untamed world of cattle chasers, buffalo hunters, freighters, lawyers and a bordello madame set on tak-

ing over the town. Can Sara overcome her own uncertainty, vandalism, threats and being gun shot?

In this tale of migration, betrayal, dreams and determination, Sara strives to create her general store while living Dallas' true history — from the beginnings of Le Reunion (the European colony across the Trinity) to a frozen river, a grand ball and the mighty fire that burns Dallas to the ground. Dallas is a challenging place, especially with the Civil War looming. Even with the friendship of a former Texas Ranger and Dallas' most important citizen — another woman — is Sara strong enough to meet the challenge? Failure means being destitute in Dallas.

THE LIFEGUARDS

Amanda Eyre Ward



Austin's Zilker Park is a wonderland of greenbelt trails, live music and moms who drink margaritas. Whitney, Annette and Liza have grown thick as thieves as they have raised their children together for 15 years. While each of them has their own set of values and backgrounds, they

share the belief that they can shelter their children from an increasingly dangerous world. The women's three teenaged sons are about to begin a carefree summer as lifeguards in their safe neighborhood. But one night while the three women are enjoying happy hour, their sons return on bicycles from a late-night dip in their favorite swimming hole. The boys share a secret — news that will shatter the perfect world their mothers have so painstakingly created.

Combining three mothers' points of view in a powerful narrative tale with commentary from entertaining neighborhood listservs, secret text messages and police reports, *The Lifeguards* is both a story about the secrets we tell to protect the ones we love and a riveting novel of suspense filled with half-truths and betrayals, fierce love and complicated friendships, and the loss of innocence of one hot summer night. •

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An Escape to MARGARITAVILLE

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IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO THINK ABOUT MARGARITAVILLE WITHOUT JIMMY BUFFETT COMING TO MIND. (FUN FACT: HE ACTUALLY WROTE MOST OF "MARGARITAVILLE" IN AUSTIN, WRAPPING IT UP IN KEY WEST.) HE POPULARIZED THE EASY-GOING CARIBBEAN ATTITUDE AND WAY OF LIFE. AT MARGARITAVILLE LAKE RESORT, LAKE CONROE | HOUSTON THIS VIBE IS EVIDENT. THE LAIDBACK LIFESTYLE HE CREATED INSPIRES EVERY INCH OF THIS LUXURY RESORT. SO, EVEN IF YOU DON'T KNOW ALL THE SONGS BY HEART, YOU WILL CERTAINLY FIND PARADISE.





"Whether you're seeking a romantic retreat, a fun-filled family getaway, or an all-inclusive group destination, Margaritaville Lake Resort is the perfect destination," said Tom Faust, Vice President of Sales and Marketing at Margaritaville Lake Resort, of the tempting array of amenities designed to appeal to a broad demographic. At any given time, young families, multi-generational families and couples of all ages can be seen strolling the sprawling 186-acre property that appears to be its own island surrounded by beautiful Lake Conroe. Boat docks line the perimeter, a lazy river winds around palm trees, firepits are scattered throughout for cozy, private evenings and thatched umbrellas dot the landscape between the resort's multiple water features.

For kids, the three-acre Jolly Mon Waterpark, which includes waterslides, a lazy river and a splash pad, accommodates all ages.

Adults can be found lounging by the infinity pool and enjoying poolside cocktail service or soaking up the sun on the private beach. As one would guess, the margarita list is extensive and the frozen concoctions are a refreshing treat while taking respite from the sun under a rented cabana at the water's edge or hanging out with friends at the swim-up bar.

Guests who prefer a more active itinerary can start the day at the fully equipped Fins Up! Fitness Center, then flock to the Pickleball and Tennis Courts. Or reserve a tee time at The Golf Club at Margaritaville Lake Resort where a world-class 18-hole course designed by renowned golf course architect Jeffrey D. Blume captures the true beauty of the property with pine trees, gently rolling hills and cascading waterfalls. Get the kids involved with a Mini Golf challenge or rent a boat, jet ski and other watercraft to enjoy a day on the lake. While there are many vantage points

to take in spectacular sunsets across the lake, a sunset cruise on Einstein's Party Barge is a lively way to celebrate the end of the day.

Large parties find the resort ideal for corporate meetings and island-inspired wedding celebrations. With 20 meeting rooms in a state-of-the-art conference center, multiple ballrooms and elegant indoor and outdoor venues, gatherings can be grand or intimate. In addition to the resort's other amenities, activities can range from team-building exercises to full salon and spa services for both men and women at the St. Somewhere Spa. And the resort's culinary team can craft food and beverage pairings for any theme and occasion.

Chef Brian Bailey was recently hired to oversee food services at the resort. Having spent six years at the acclaimed JW Marriott in San Antonio, he has returned home with plans to enhance the restaurants' menus with what he dubs a Texas Tropical theme — dishes that reference his time in the Texas Hill Country, along with his











competitive and award-winning BBQ team experience, fused with the flavors of island cuisine.

But don't worry, the resort's LandShark Bar & Grill menu will still feature its cravable classic burgers and seafood favorites. The two poolside bar and grills, Lone Palm Pool Bar and 5 o'Clock Somewhere Bar, offer light bites, burgers, wraps and kid-friendly options and the License to Chill Bar & Café specializes in casual daytime fare and elevated din-

ners. The resort's newest venue, Boathouse Bar & Lounge, is a neighborhood late-night hang-out serving up bar snacks, dinner and cocktails with musicians on-stage Thursdays through Sundays.

After a full day of play, grab a midnight snack or made-to-order pizza from Joe Merchant's Coffee & Provisions — and as the name implies, they serve excellent morning libations — and unwind with plush bedding, luxurious amenities and décor with a tropical twist. The resort tower includes 303 suites of varying sizes along with 32 charming lakeside cottages painted in Key West-inspired pastels. Both lodging accommodations include separate bedroom and living areas, walk-in rain showers and private furnished balconies.

So, grab your flip flops and adjust your sails for a tropical-inspired getaway. And if you are still needing a Jimmy Buffett fix, your suite's TV screen savers are set to his concert videos! ◆

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AQUALITY OF PLACE

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LOCATED BEACHFRONT ON MUSTANG ISLAND, ALONG THE ROAD THAT CONNECTS PADRE ISLAND AND PORT ARANSAS, CINNAMON SHORE MIGHT BE DEFINED BY ITS ICONIC PASTEL-COLORED COASTAL ARCHITECTURE, BUT THE FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE AND UNIQUE AMENITIES OF THIS LUXURY COMMUNITY FAR EXCEED ONE'S FIRST GLANCE.

As the leading coastal development along the Texas coast, Cinnamon Shore has been recognized nationally as the area's First New Urbanism community and has been featured as the 2009 *Southern Living* Idea House, the 2015 *Coastal Living* Showhouse and the 2017 *Texas Monthly* Gulf Coast Show Home.

To maintain this distinction for homeowner investors and guests alike, architectural standards are adhered to by Cinnamon Shore professionals who are available to advise on architects, interior designers and contractors experienced in urban design with a coastal aesthetic. From the beginning, Cinnamon Shore developers meticulously designed the property to accommodate a coastal environment with an initial reinforced base elevation, design codes requiring raised foundations that even exceed those from the city and building guidelines that include concrete construction and reinforced windows. "There's a real demand for the caliber

of design and well-built coastal homes that Cinnamon Shore offers, and we're thrilled to connect families and investors with valuable property on the Texas Coast. After all, there's a limited amount of coastal property in the Lone Star State, and we're developing it responsibly and with the highest of standards," said Jodi Peters, managing broker at Cinnamon Shore Realty.

Each custom home is one-of-a-kind, but common themes include charming gabled rooflines, wrap-around porches and private, sprawling balconies. Interiors are flooded in natural light with beach-inspired palettes and accessories, exceptional kitchen and bath arrangements and comfortable gathering spaces. "We offer such a wide variety of beachside accommodations, from condos and cottages to spacious, multi-story townhomes and truly spectacular beach homes - and every rental property is unique," said Celeste Edwards, general manager, Vacation Rentals.

While it's easy to cozy up in the casual elegance of your home, Cinnamon Shore offers year-round seasonal events in addition to the already extensive line-up of activities. In fact, with a masterplan designed in the New Urbanism fashion, family and community relationships are at the core of Cinnamon Shore's philosophy. Hosting a diverse clientele, multi-generational family gatherings are encouraged and reflected in the close proximity of the community's beach, Town Center, pools, shops and restaurants, just a stroll or cart ride away on palm tree-lined lanes.

Every aspect of the community is thoughtfully designed specifically for families, with multiple green lawns for special events like outdoor movie nights, fire pits for s'mores making, a stocked fishing pond and a fitness center. There is even a dog park with a shower to rinse your furry friends after a day on the beach. Essential beach amenities include loungers and umbrellas with











beachside food and drink service, and activities include sandcastle building lessons, kite surfing lessons, parasailing and shrimp boils (which can also be prepared in-home, if you wish). You can also order up s'mores as part of a Bonfire on the Beach package. Mornings at Cinnamon Shore offer sunrise views, long walks on the broad beachfront and yoga on the beach.

These classic American ideals of a family-forward lifestyle, partnered with exceptional accommodations, are now available in the development's' second community,

Cinnamon Shore South. Peters said, "Our original village stayed true to its original master plan, putting the principles of New Urbanism into practice. The developer has created a walkable beach town with everything homeowners need in one place. Now, our expansion, Cinnamon Shore South, is almost four times as big but growing exponentially faster, with our first five phases selling out as quickly as we can release them." Just a short drive down the road, Cinnamon Shore South is already welcoming guests with luxurious cabanas surrounding a lakeside infinity edge pool. The seven-acre lake is ringed with walking trails and views of both the Gulf and bay. A family pool is under construction and the community's

Town Center is being planned.

"Families find that within our little village, there's such a sense of freedom, with kids biking all over or casting a line at one of the lakeside piers," added Edwards. "From beach to pool, and from beach bonfires to the community firepit on the Great Lawn, there's just a classic, all-American beach town feel to a vacation at Cinnamon Shore." ◆

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A Coastal CALI VIBE

BY ANN KOEHLER PHOTOGRAPHY COURTESY OF LIVELY BEACH

FROM A DISTANCE, LIVELY BEACH APPEARS TO BE AN OASIS SET AGAINST SEA GRASSES AND ROLLING WAVES BEYOND, WETLANDS IN FRONT AND BLUE SKIES ABOVE. AND THAT'S BECAUSE IT ACTUALLY IS. LOCATED ON MUSTANG ISLAND, JUST A SHORT DRIVE FROM PORT ARANSAS, THIS NEW RESORT CONDOMINIUM IS UNLIKE ANY OTHER ALONG THE COAST.

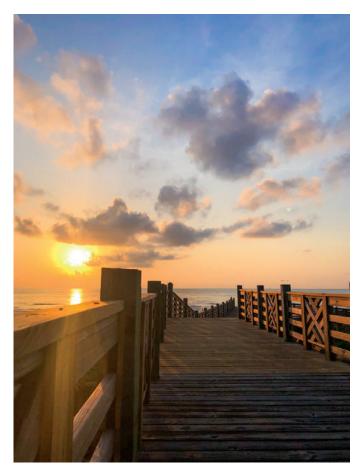
The gated community of Lively Beach encompasses a 46-acre property, and developers have taken considerable care to preserve it, condensing the project footprint to only 11 acres and placing the remaining 35 acres into conservation. "We've gone to great lengths to restore natural areas, build responsibly and create long-term sustainability," explained project developers Steve and Jeff Berkus. This includes drought resistant landscaping in developed areas, responsible construction practices, energy-efficient buildings, LED lighting and conscious lighting placement, filtered water systems and a diligent recycling program, to name a few.

But when you step inside one of the buildings named after popular California surf clubs, you realize that comfort and design were not spared and that this is not an ordinary condo. The units are not individually owned, managed entirely by the developers, resulting in contemporary and consistently decorated interiors. For furnishings and

> accessories, subtle coastal influences are presented in a modern way, with rattan dining chairs, linen upholstery and jute rugs. Kitchens are well-stocked with essential utensils, seating is comfortable and spacious and picture windows overlook the natural wetlands or the largest sand dunes on Mustang Island. Thoughtful details include handheld steamers, magnifying mirrors in bathrooms and lights in showers. Many units have private decks for relaxing outdoors.

Other public decks can be found rooftop on two units, providing breezy entertainment areas with panoramic 360-de-









gree views. Strategically placed exterior lighting allows for excellent star gazing.

Every amenity was designed for both families and couples seeking a peaceful getaway. At ground level, a resort-style pool is perfect for play or relaxation, and the Beach Club includes a communal firepit and family game area surrounded by BBQ pits and tables. A short stroll down the picturesque boardwalk leads you over the dunes

and to the beach where kite boarding and fishing off the neighboring jetty attract action enthusiasts. A beautiful stretch of beach is perfect for sunworshippers, and for naturalists, the preserved wetlands are the ideal escape for hiking and observing. A six-acre revived estuary is home to many species of coastal birds, and trails are currently being constructed for bird watching. Lively Beach concierges can also provide a curated list of activities in and around the property that can be enjoyed and appreciated by

young families and couples alike.

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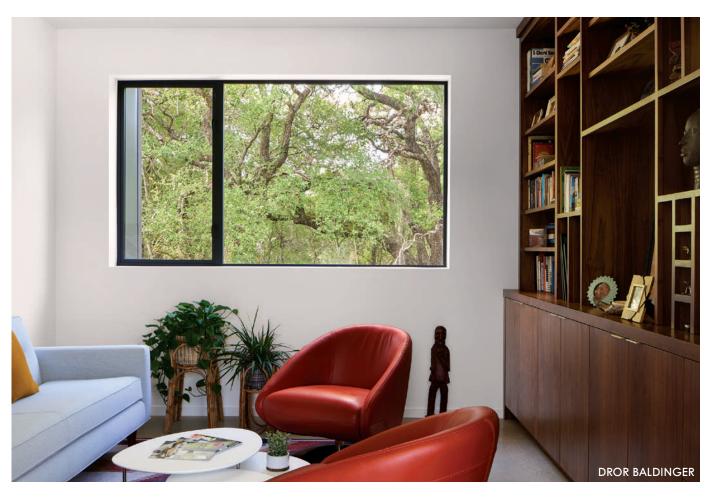
PAX CHAGNON, AIA, OF CHAGNON ARCHITECTURE TOOK ON THIS MID-CENTURY MODERN-INSPIRED AND ARCHITECT-LED DESIGN-BUILD PROJECT AS THE SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT RESPONSIBLE FOR DESIGNING THE HOUSE, MANAGING CONSTRUCTION AND SUBCONTRACTING TO TRADES.



"IN MY EXPERIENCE, THE ARCHITECT-LED DESIGN-build process is more streamlined than the traditional design, bid, build process — at every decision that needs to be made during construction, the author of the design is present. Likewise, at every decision that is made during the design process, the builder, who is aware of costs and construction feasibility, is also present because the architect is the builder. The creation of this home was a collaborative effort between the owners and myself, including the interior design. I had the opportunity to teach interior design at Texas State University for six years. As an architect, my design efforts are equally focused on the form, color, texture and light of the interior and exterior spaces and specifically how they work together," explained Pax.

The kitchen is made bright and airy with cool, polished concrete floors and white statuarietto marble countertops with detailed veins. The warm custom walnut cabinets by Dupont Cabinetry & Design help anchor the kitchen, and the vibrant Eames dining room chairs give the room a fun pop of color alongside the Saarinen dining room table. The stylistic and iconic backsplash is a nod to M.C. Escher called Small Diamond Escher by Fireclay Tile; the funky, almost retro, island pendant light fixtures are PH5 by Louis Poulsen.





This open floor plan allows the design for each room to blend into the other. The unique fireplace, a Malm Zircon 34 gas fireplace, was custom painted to artfully match the dining room chairs. The living room side chair, Modell 711 Chair, was designed by Fredrik Kayser and the Nelson Saucer Crisscross Bubble Pendant light was designed by George Nelson.

Thoughtfully situated in the center of the action and open to the living room, the bar offers seating for two with a direct view of the pool courtyard. The bar backsplash maker is unknown, as it was discovered at a roadside tile shop by the homeowners. The zig-zag design on top is a clever result of not having enough tiles to run it up to the floating shelf above.

The utilitarian office, with a wall of walnut cabinets that conceal printers and office materials, offers a tranquil view of the wooded forest to the north.

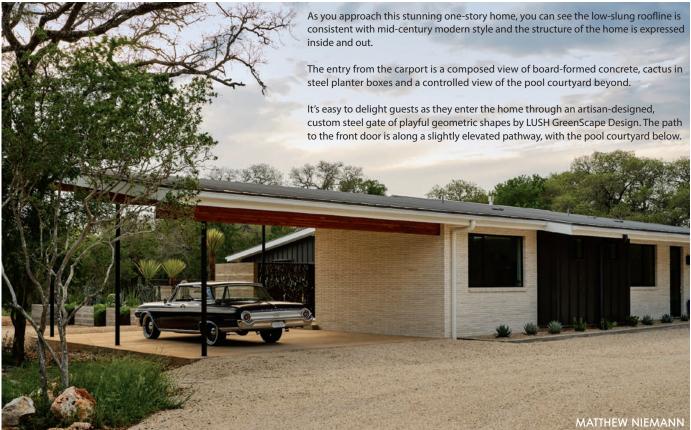
Step into a tropical locale with this eye-catching "Wild Thing" wallpaper by Flavor Paper, a non-repeating mural that is scaled to full-width and height. Additionally, the semi-recessed sink sets in a floating Zebrawood shelf and the multi-light pendant light was designed by Louis Weisdorf.

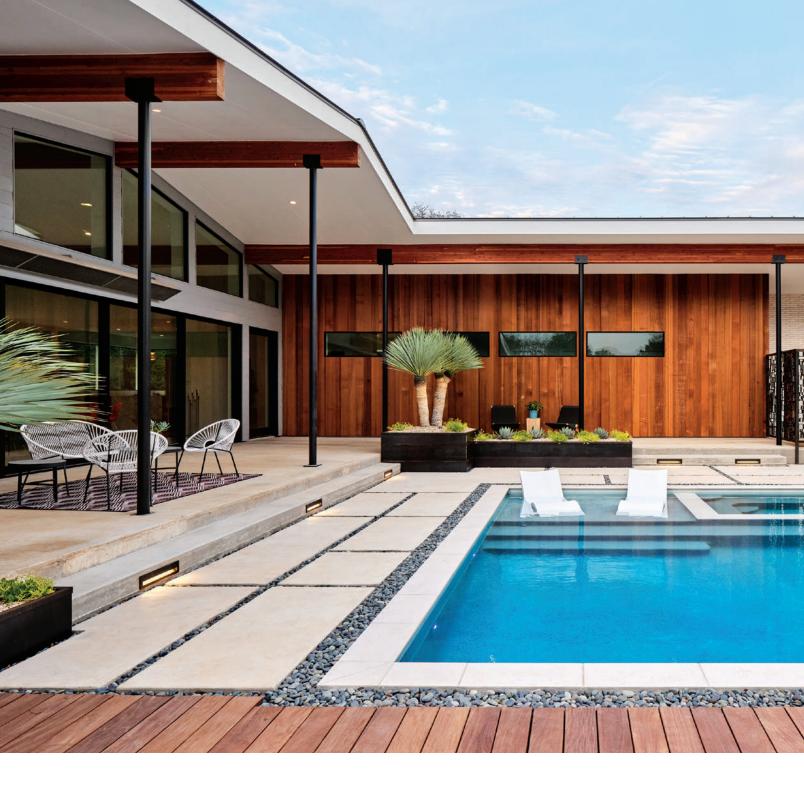












His methodology really shines through in this charming one-story home that is gracefully situated on a secluded wooded property, surrounded by clusters of live oak trees, just west of San Marcos.

The intentional focal point of this entire home is the courtyard and the orientation of the pool and pool deck to maximize sunlight and create a seamless indoor and outdoor environment, ideal for sunbathing and entertaining. The 26-foot-wide sliding glass door by Western Window Systems that opens up to the courtyard helps

accomplish the savvy transition from the interior to the exterior living space.

The pool deck, planter wall and refined landscaping were designed and installed by LUSH GreenScape Design. With its mid-century glam, including the requisite palm tree, you can almost imagine lounging by this pool in the Hollywood Hills during its golden age, if you're inclined to daydream.

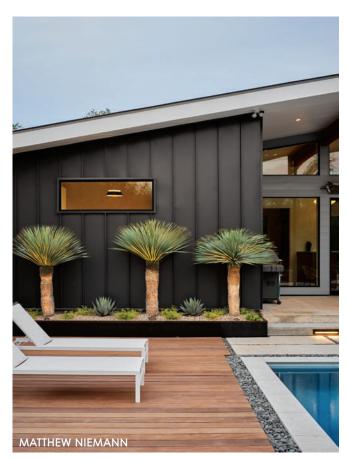
The homeowners also prioritized the use and quality of indirect natural lighting in the interior spaces as well as



This home is elegantly organized around the pool courtyard, the fulcrum of the design. The living room is connected to the courtyard by a transparent wall consisting of the five-foot front pivot door and a 26-foot-wide sliding glass door manufactured by Western Window Systems, seamlessly bringing the courtyard to life for parties and entertaining.

The front porch is covered by a high roof plane, supported by glue-lam beams and steel posts, and the accent wall leading from the entry gate to the front door is clad in a clear cedar rain screen.

The pool deck, planter wall and overall landscaping were designed and installed by LUSH GreenScape Design.



sustainability features that include daylighting and solar orientation, rainwater harvesting and filtration for potable use and water-wise landscape planting. "One of the most unique sustainability features is that the sole source of water for the house is rainwater collection," Pax noted. Even in Central Texas, rainwater collection is an effective method, which requires calculating the size of the roof and tank needed to accommodate the size of the household and average rainfall expected in the area.

Other sustainability features in this home include high performance windows and doors, building insulation, HVAC system, a dehumidification system (a necessary addition due to the large sliding glass doors) and tankless/on demand water heaters.

Overall, the home really exemplifies Pax's own sense of style. "If left to my own devices, I lean towards simple, modern lines, and I think this house really has that," he said. "I am a fan of the large windows, too, whether they have a wooded view, courtyard view or distance view. Many of my projects have hilltop views, but this house is nestled in the woods, so you have the courtyard on one side and woods on the other. It is beautiful."

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Cornerstone Architects, this 4,575-square-foot, four-bedroom, four-and-a-half bath home in West Lake Hills sits atop a lush hillside with 360-degree canyon vistas, providing a remote environment just six miles from downtown Austin. The homeowners, an Austin tech executive couple, love to entertain and envisioned a home with a variety of large spaces to hold gatherings of all sizes.

First, they had to select the right architect. Since the home was built on a slope, certain key considerations had to be addressed during construction. "Sequencing of construction was very important," said Adam Steiner with Cornerstone Architects. "There was minimal room on either side of the house to maneuver, and it was extremely steep. Bonterra Build | Design managed the construction in a way that is not typically done, for instance, the septic tank and field were installed before anything else started."

Steiner filled the home with sustainable features such as energy efficient appliances and HVAC systems, tankless wa-

The island counter anchors the kitchen and serves as a work surface and dining space. The design was influenced by the homeowners' desire for an Asian contemporary style — a 2-3/4" thick quartz countertop placed on top of a 1-1/4" quartzite countertop is a unique detail that creates the illusion of a "built-up" countertop edge. The high-end appliance package includes a cooktop, ovens, microwave and coffee maker by Miele®, refrigerator/freezer columns by Gaggenau and a wine fridge by Sub-Zero®. Cabinetry in dark wood tones follow the same clean aesthetic seen throughout the home. The Sonneman light fixture, sourced through Ferguson, is perfectly scaled over the island.



ter heaters, large overhangs to block direct solar heat gain, drop down solar shades, spray foam insulation with higher R-values than typical fiberglass insulation, a tightly sealed thermal envelope, Energy Star® rated windows and doors, energy efficient LED lighting, smart thermostats and xeriscape landscaping for minimal water use.

When it came to design, the homeowners desired a look and feel of calm respite, enhanced with custom touches derived from their travels and personal experiences. They are from different parts of the world, and with help from designer Laura Britt, they were able to blend their individual aesthetics into a shared vision for their home. Britt and her team used "super naturals" — a vari-

ety of neutral color tones and textures from wood, stone and metal as the backdrop for intentional bursts of color.

To enhance the surrounding views of nature, every room throughout the house boasts floor to ceiling windows. "We didn't want to compete with any of the views, so we kept the design clean, modern and open," said Laura. "The biggest factor in the design of this house was about connecting the interior design to the views. The home is comfortable and inviting — everything centers around outdoor living.



We brought in colors from the surrounding landscape to achieve this — earthy greens, vibrant blues, dark browns. To create impact in the kitchen, we used contrasting colors, bright whites and dark rich browns with a large picture window taking center stage."

A variety of flooring was used throughout the home, from porcelain tile inspired by the feel and shades of natural wood to neutral ceramics. And statement lighting in nearly every room provides a center of interest.



As you enter the home, the Bocci multi-pendant lighting in the stairwell is a stunning focal point as is the homeowners' heirloom piano in the foyer. The built-in walnut shelves behind the piano are inlaid with a Phillip Jeffries arrowroot grasscloth wallcovering sourced through David Sutherland, which provides the look of raw silk using natural grass, and enhances rather than overshadows the piano.

The kitchen cabinets were designed to offer a clean aesthetic, with appliances carefully aligned in a similar fashion. The Sonneman® statement light fixture overhead offers interest as well as soft but sufficient lighting. The massive kitchen island counter provides a substantial workspace and room to seat six. The surrounding chairs by Caffrey & Co. follow suit with geometric simplicity.

Another stunning light fixture anchors the dining room. By Seth Parks Designs, the hand-blown glass floating fixture represents the natural movement of water and air. The dining chairs are made by Theodore Alexander and sourced through Cocoon. "We also created a custom hair-on-hide rug for the dining room in partnership with Kyle Bunting," said Laura.

In the living room, furnishings by Caffrey & Co. include chairs, tables and sofa. The Persian woven wool and silk rug, in an abstract blue and gold colorway, was sourced through Black Sheep Unique. The fireplace is covered in white honed limestone, and the hearth is constructed from Silestone® in the Calypso finish with special attention given to the pencil round edge detail and mitered corners. Both upstairs and downstairs, the connected outdoor living spaces act as additional living rooms. "Whether out on the patio or in the indoor living room, we wanted it to feel like one complete space, not two separate areas," said Laura.

In the primary suite, the stunning hillside is framed by bespoke ripple fold drapery in a natural and aqua embroidered linen blend fabric by Fabricut. A Mitchell Gold + Bob Williams silver shag rug is soft underfoot. The homeowners' existing chair was reupholstered in a neutral woven fabric from Kravet and overhead, a sculptural chandelier of yellow and orange blown glass is by Bellacor*.

The focal point of the bath is a MTI tub with Luxart® hardware in a coal black finish. But the focal point from the luxurious soaking tub and the ceiling height shower with a glass surround and tile from Stone Solutions is the panoramic view outside the expansive windows.





The upper patio lounge chairs are by Verellen from Belgium, also sourced through Caffrey & Co. The ensemble is completed with a couch from Outback Patio and a rug from Jaipur. Directly below, the chairs on the lower patio are from Outdoor Living and unique, circular poolside loungers are by Dedon. The infinity pool was designed by Austintatious Pools in coordination with Cornerstone Architects.

Despite the unique challenges of building in such a location, a skilled team of architects, builders and designers managed to create a stunning home that takes advantage of its natural surroundings and provides the homeowners a place for rest or entertaining. •

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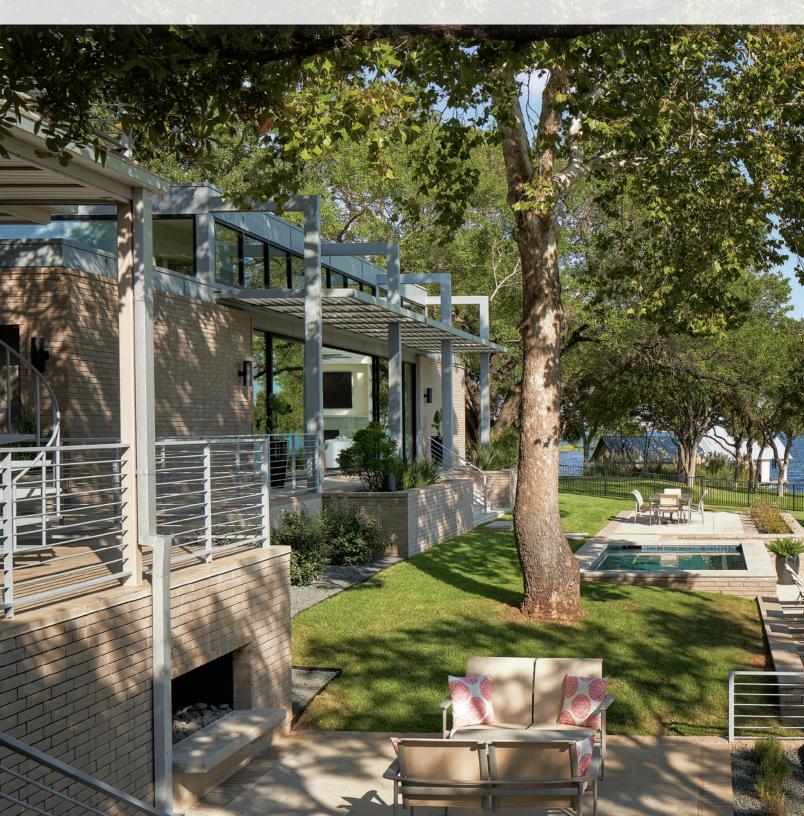


The infinity pool, designed by Austintatious Pools, is centered between two wings: on one side are public spaces, with private spaces on the other. The lower floor contains secondary bedrooms throughout. One upper balcony extends from the living room, while the other is off the primary suite. Throughout, railings are designed to provide unobstructed views. Landscaping was designed by D. Crane.



BLUE LAKE PAVILION

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LOCATED ON THE BANKS BESIDE THE TRANQUIL WATERS OF LAKE LBJ, A PAVILION, DESIGNED BY FOUNDING PARTNER TIM BLONKVIST, FAIA OF OVERLAND, OFFERS AMAZING VIEWS AND SPACE FOR RELAXATION, RECREATION AND ENTERTAINING.









"WE HAVE ALWAYS WORKED CLOSELY WITH OUR CLIENTS TO create inspired residential design that is curated to their vision and life-style. Especially designing family homes where generations are gathering to spend time together we've had to think differently about how families

to spend time together, we've had to think differently about how families share space. Though the pavilion was completed before the pandemic, the desire and interest from our clients for more recreational and outdoor space has never been greater," said Tim.

In this case, the family wanted a recreational pavilion built next to the main house that would be separate but connect aesthetically and functionally, serving as an ideal space for the family to spend time together and enjoy each other. Being separate from the main house also allows for flexibility. Highlighting the natural elements and connection between indoor and outdoor space was key to the design. Views celebrate the Texas Hill Country landscape that is inhabited by an abundance of wildlife and native plant species, and all the existing trees were maintained in the site design on this project to provide shade and comfort for outdoor living, recreation and entertaining.

This pavilion is positioned to take advantage of the east-west orientation opening up to the north and south, toward the lake, as well as the stunning outdoor dining terrace, fire pit and pool on the south side. Located on the shadier north side, the pavilion features a volleyball and/or pickleball court, which is set down into a sunken garden with a low landscape stepped wall to provide privacy and protection from the street side. Note: Here you can see how the architect chose to match the new material of brick, glass and painted steel to the existing house to give the compound a cohesive look and feel.

On either side of the pavilion, Western Window Systems sliding doors create a Texas dogtrot, which allows for natural ventilation by capturing breezes off the lake.





The pavilion features a kitchenette, dining area, living and TV area, restroom and a big walk-in storage area that can eventually be transformed into a bedroom. "All the doors and windows can open up like a Texas dog trot, allowing for natural ventilation," explained Tim.

On the street side of the pavilion is a pickleball® and/or volleyball court, along with a walled garden; the lake side features an outdoor patio for dining, firepit, jacuzzi and pool.

Although the main house was built decades ago, Tim and his team at Overland wanted to ensure the project was cohesive. With this in mind, they matched all of the elemental pieces of the home, including the exact brick, color of the steel and railing used on the house to create the pavilion.

"We pushed beyond contemporary to a little more modern, inspired by the work of Mies van der Rohe (a German-American architect) known for designing very clean, simple, sleek buildings, such as the Seagram building in Chicago and the Barcelona Pavilion," he noted.



This interior great room provides ample space for ping pong, movie nights and dining with family and friends, all with open views to both the north and south sides of lake, volleyball and garden area. The natural light, both from clerestories above and large sliding glass doors by Western Window Systems, create an inviting and relaxing indoor/outdoor space, encouraging activities to flit through this light-filled space.

The kitchen, which conveniently doubles as a bar with a dining area, showcases Big Ass Fans® to keep the air circulating. Air conditioning ducts are located in the ceiling with supply running continuously down both sides, creating an air curtain. When the doors open, the A/C stops and the Big Ass Fans help move the breeze through the pavilion, much like the original Texas dogtrot houses — reimagined for the 21st century. The architect notes that the deep covered patios serve to protect the large glass openings to the south from the blazing Texas sun while allowing the magnificent view.

The entry hall closest to the existing house and across from the bathroom currently provides lots of storage for games, crafts or whatever else is needed for family time.





"He's known for saying, 'God is in the details,' and 'less is more.' He influenced me and, as a result, when I thought about this project, I wanted it to be a simple, yet elegant design."

Currently, the homeowners have commissioned Overland to remodel the interior of the existing house and construct a glass link to the pavilion.

"Although the family loves the pavilion, they wanted to be able to walk across from the main house in the evening, without having to go outside," said Tim. "In fact, I strategically located the pavilion for this very purpose."

This project is just another stellar example of Overland's ability to bring their clients' visions to life. "Our clients are important to us, and we have a responsibility to draw out of our clients their hopes and dreams and bring those to fruition," he said.

Overland just celebrated its 35th anniversary as a company. To date, they have worked in 30 states and 24 countries around the world with offices currently in San

Antonio, Dallas and Denver. The breadth of their design work includes museums, cultural institutions, universities, research facilities, hospitals, commercial buildings, resort hotels and residential projects, such as the Blue Lake Pavilion.

"We really enjoy the intimate relationships we get to build with our residential clients. It's different than commercial work but a very focused part of our practice now that ties very nicely to inspire this other body of work," shared Tim. •

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Situated between the main house and the new pool pavilion is a barbecue and outdoor sitting area, ideal for home happy hour or "chillin' and grillin'!" A glass link is currently being added to connect the pavilion to the main house in this location, to the left of outdoor barbecue area.

THINK OF YOUR BACKYARD DECK AS A SECOND HOME!



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In recent years, designers and builders have been exploring the health benefits of biophilic design. This type of design focuses on introducing aspects of the natural world — sunlight, plants, clean water, fresh air and natural materials, for instance — to the modern built environment. Techniques might include plant-based living walls or sliding door systems for fluid transition between indoors and

outdoors. Backyard decks are another great way to practice biophilic design and simultaneously enjoy the great outdoors.

WHAT'S TRENDING? — In business since 1984, Austin Deck Company has seen backyard trends come and go. When it comes to decks, Abe Oeltjen, owner of Austin Deck Company and longtime NARI member, says, "We see quite a few people either building new decks or remodeling their existing decks. Our favorite project is taking an old and rotten deck, envisioning upgrades in both design and materials, and building a beautiful and functional new space for our client. The most popular trends right now are composite decking and horizontal railing."

WHAT TO AVOID? — Unfortunately, not all contractors are created equal. "Unqualified and inexperienced contractors are a huge problem in our industry," cautions Abe. "We see many poorly built projects with expensive materials that are designed to last decades installed on substructures that won't last but a few years. Qualifying your contractor's experience is paramount in a busy market when everyone is struggling to keep up with demand." Fortunately, organizations like NARI in Austin and San Antonio can help. These contractor organizations carefully screen potential members to make sure they operate professionally and ethically. Plus, they offer continuing education classes and other types of professional certifications to ensure that their members are operating at a high level of performance.

YOUR SECOND HOME! — Whether you think of your backyard deck as an extension of your indoor living space or a second home altogether, rest assured you're enjoying all the health benefits of the great outdoors. For more information about the National Association of the Remodeling Industry, or to scroll through our member list for your next remodel project, please visit AustinNARI.org or RemodelSanAntonio.org. ◆

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ONCE THE BUILDING OF THE STRUCTURE WAS complete, Scott and Jennifer looked to Etch Design Group in Austin, who originally designed their main home, to bring life to the guest house with their exquisite selection of interior decor. With their primary home serving as a tranquil space of beautiful neutrals, Scott and Jennifer decided to use their guest house to take a departure from the serene and go bold.

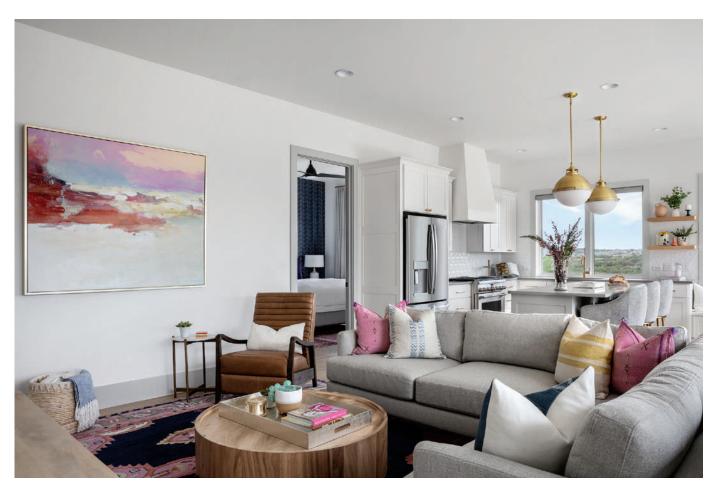
Designers Jessica Nelson and Stephanie Lindsey, along with homeowner Jennifer Wehner, sought a connection to the outdoors, playing up the natural surroundings of the sweeping oak trees and breathtaking views. As pieces such as the vibrant accent pillows, rugs and the bamboo and coco twig light fixture were chosen, boho organically evolved as a central theme, but Wehner wanted to strike a balance throughout the house with a clean and modern aesthetic. This led to the unlikely marrying of cool farmhouse finishings to the warm and bold vibes of bohemian chic. Blending two vastly different styles was never the original intent, but as each piece was chosen, the fusion of the two naturally evolved.

"Jessica and I both loved the style elements that the 'boho' aesthetic created, and its ability to bring nature indoors," Jennifer said of the collaboration. "The light fix-

ture in the breakfast nook created a statement piece that immediately leaned towards a more boho style, so Jessica leaned into it and outfitted this area with colorful and textural accent pillows. The design team played off the colors from that piece to incorporate textural boho-style accent pillows and modern abstract artwork. I wanted the kitchen to be more clean and modern, so we went more minimal there. It's easy to fall in love with this room, as it just feels like such a warm and welcoming space when you're in it."

Given that the space would primarily be used for guests, it was just as important to utilize functionality as it was to create a beautiful design. The designers paid special attention to ensure pieces were comfortable and easy to clean, all while remaining stunning.

The open-concept kitchen flows seamlessly into the living room, allowing for guests to easily shift back and forth between spaces. The white cabinets beautifully reflect the natural light radiating through the expansive windows. Gray performance fabric barstools from Sunpan extend the cool, breezy vibes with comfort, style and durability. A custom built-in banquette provides seating for the bistro-style table and additional seating includes Loom woven rope chairs in natural gray on solid mahogany legs by Essentials for Living.





A mixture of pillows, including pink Moroccan sabra cactus silk and white linen, play up the cool gray sectional by Interior Define, with a rounded wooden coffee table on bronze-finished iron legs from Four Hands centering the room. The camel-colored top grain leather side chair, another piece from Four Hands, rests next to the sectional, adding varied texture to the space. A custom painting from Wendover Art hangs on the dominant wall, cohesively tying together all of the elements of the living space.

Outside, the custom pool overlooks the sprawling treescape of the Texas Hill Country, offering a cool reprieve from the Texas heat and a beautiful focal point from both the main house and the casita positioned at pool level. The homeowner likened it to their "own private treehouse."





Having previously collaborated with the client, Nelson and Lindsey flawlessly worked through the design process, starting with Wehner providing a list of wants and needs, and then creating different concepts to identify her preferences. Although Wehner knew she wanted it to be colorful, she did not start out with any specific color schemes. As ideas were introduced, the designers zeroed in on items Wehner really liked. For instance, the rug (ultimately chosen for the living room) with the bright pinks, navy blue and corresponding colors was an early hit, leading to pink emerging as a standout. This was not only one of Wehner's favorites but a special way to incorporate her four daughters. From there, each piece was carefully chosen and knitted into the overall design.

"This was definitely a one-of-a-kind project for us, as the client really let us push the boundaries of style and color, and allowed us to use our own creative freedom in providing them with a space that their guests could love and enjoy," said Jessica. "We had a lot of fun, between the mixture of colors, patterns, fabrics and accent pieces such as artwork and accessories. It all pairs together so nicely, and the client gets so many comments on how much people love the space." •

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The main bedroom was designed to transport guests from the tranquil Hill Country to a vibrant trendy hotel. An avant-garde Phillip Jeffries Deco wallpaper in a bold hemp-indigo hue serves as a backbone to the entire room and enhances the rounded platform bed by Sunpan with performance fabric and antique brass legs. Custom color-blocked blackout drapes with an eggplant base provide privacy and a bold Loloi rug and Sunpan nightstand with shagreen diamond face drawer fronts add another layer of texture. The Regina Andrew ceramic glazed white lamps and Mongolian fur chair soften the space.



SPOTLIGHT

Katharina Weisflog Joins McKinney York Architects



Katharina Weisflog has joined McKinney York Architects as Marketing Manager, bringing 10+ years of marketing and public relations experience in the architecture and design industry. Her expertise in brand strategy and corporate identity will assist in the advancement of the firm's mission and goals in both

the Austin and San Antonio markets as well as supporting business development efforts for all market sectors. McKinneyYork.com

Herman Miller Opens Second Austin Location



Herman Miller, the global leader in innovative design and furnishing solutions, has opened its second retail location in Austin. Situated in Austin's North Lamar neighborhood, the new store opening follows the success of the brand's Domain Northside location, which opened in December 2020. With thirteen retail stores nationwide, the brand is committed to servicing small business owners and those working from home by providing a range of performance seating and office essentials to create a functional workspace. HermanMiller.com

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For more than 20 years, Mighty Dog Roofing has been providing high quality roofing repairs and replacements across the country. The newest office in North Austin maintains this reputation, with additional services including gutter, siding and window installations for both residential and commercial customers. Their drone technology assists with insurance claims and inspections, a curb appeal visualizer ensures the right color palette selections, and their certified experts are on-call 24/7 for emergencies. What sets Mighty Dog apart from other roofing companies is the Mighty Dog Pledge of Top Dog Communication, On Time Service, Cleanliness and Integrity with every job. MightyDogRoofing.com/north-austin

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Leading Design Studio for Interior Designers Debuts its First Podcast, "The Interior Collective"

Hosted by Anastasia Casey, founder of IDCO Studio and Design Camp, an immersive four-day retreat created specifically for the interior design community, The Interior Collective podcast expands on the brand's mission with interviews from interior designers and industry tastemakers about the practical realities of running a creative business. The first season kicked off Friday, May 20, with two episodes: an interview with architect and interior designer Marie Flanigan and an episode featuring Casey's insights on hiring. IDCO.com

The Pillow Goddess™ Expands



Award-winning luxury pillow designer, Deborah Main, The Pillow Goddess™, announces an exciting collaboration with nationally-recognized interior designer Robin Baron of Robin Baron Design. The two have teamed up to launch the one-of-a-kind UnZipped Pillow Collection. The fashion-forward pillow collection is proudly handcrafted in the USA at Deborah's Austin, Texas studio and available in multiple sizes and colors. Each pillow features a fully functioning exposed zipper, revealing a sneak peek pouch with a pop of contrasting color. Paired with exposed hardware, the swish of a handmade suede tassel is a design detail that shakes up home décor with a seductive and sleek look. RobinBaronDesian.com, The PillowGoddess.com

To The Trade Professionals



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San Antonio Street Art Initiative (SASAI) Celebrates 60 Murals

SASAI is an independent nonprofit charity that focuses on two areas of advocacy: education in career development and mural programming. Since November of 2018, SASAI has been leading the way for street art and murals in San Antonio, working diligently towards creating the "Largest Outdoor Gallery in TexasTM." To date, SASAI has completed over 60 murals and has advocated for the careers of more than 45 artists, and their projects have beautified neighborhoods and contributed to economic development and fair-paying jobs for local talent. Visit their website for maps and photos to create a self-guided tour. SanAntonioStreetArt.org

By Paul Garson, one of 17 SASAI pillars under the highway on the corner of East Quincy Street and North St. Mary's Street.

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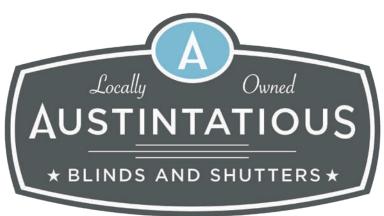
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