



"The architecture is much more traditional, with peaks and gables, but we paired those traditional lines with modern materials like the *shou sugi ban* siding and dry-stacked cast stone," Holt says. "Inside, the home lives day-to-day very comfortably. Since the family likes to entertain, we gave them the space to fit large numbers of people, but it lives small in certain places."

And that's just what the homeowners were looking for.

"Here's what we've learned: It's awesome to be in our dream home with our family," says the homeowner. "But where we find the most joy is having people over who can enjoy it and feel comfortable in it like our friends and family, the kids' teammates or church groups."

"When we started to build this house, we took the kids out to the property and did a little ceremony with a shovel and hard hats. We held up these signs that said, 'What is a house made of? Bricks, wood, concrete, steel and glass. And what is a home? Love, faith, sacrifice, respect and sharing.' That's how I would describe this place."



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WHAT SORTS OF TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCE-MENTS ARE IMPROVING HOME DESIGN?

Window coverings and lighting that can be controlled by voice or remote control devices offer both safety and convenience. Especially here in Colorado, we have a lot of blazing sun, and remote controls make life so much easier.

HOW CAN YOU TREND-PROOF YOUR INTERIOR DESIGN PURCHASES?

Invest in good-quality furniture, because if a sofa or chair's frame is good, then it can be reupholstered down the road. We just finished a project for a client that I worked with 25 years ago, and we were able to reuse many pieces.

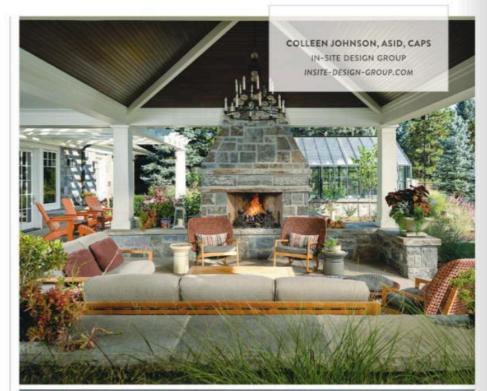
WE'RE BOMBARDED WITH IMAGES ON INSTAGRAM AND SOCIAL MEDIA, SO HOW DO YOU HELP PEOPLE FIGURE OUT WHAT THEIR STYLE IS?

An interior designer can help you sort through all that and give your home a look designed for you that isn't cookie-cutter or looking like everyone else's.

WHAT IS YOUR PERSONAL STYLE, AND HOW OFTEN DO YOU REDESIGN YOU OWN HOME?

I had a client the other day ask if I redo my house every year, and I'm like, "Are you kidding me?" My home was built in 1896. It tells the story of my husband and me, and the things we have accumulated when we travel. It's eclectic. Last year, we redid our living room. We got a new rug and sofa, which was a huge deal, because we still had furniture from when we got married. And when it was done, I felt what my clients experience. That kind of joy. It was an "Aha!" moment. \$\displaystyle \text{ had in the soft of the

- enhance a home's connection to nature, such as this space with a stone fireplace and Gloster furniture adjacent to the gardens and greenhouse.
- Dining Room A Gregorius Pineo light fixture with antiqued-glass panels hangs above the custom Woden Woods table and Lexington chairs.





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