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# HOME

DESIGN & DECOR

## *Outdoor Living*

How to Bring the Outdoors In

Look Inside David Smith's  
Isle of Palms Home Design

The easy flow between indoors and out in this screened porch makes it the perfect place to relax, whether lounging beside the electric fire table or chatting over dinner. Swivel chairs from Summer Classics offer versatility while pillows from Lacefield Designs in subtle hues evoke the property's natural beauty.





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*A Badin lake beauty  
proves life is better where  
the living is easy.*

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The streamlined aesthetic of the Summer Classics loungers mimic the clean lines of the pool installed by B & B Pools, making this the perfect place to relax with a glass of wine and enjoy life on the lake.







**W**hat do we want? That was the question Cam and Jen Dyer mused with designer Anne Buresh on the banks of Badin Lake as they stared out across their new property, a peninsular stretch of waterfront heaven that would be the site of their future lake home.

Having worked previously with the Dyers and now with the opportunity to start fresh on a new construction, Buresh drew on her knowledge and relationship with the family to open up a dialogue about their must-haves for the home.

“Transparent communication is paramount to the process, from vision boarding and conceptualization to implementation. The key to the perfect design is determining a clear idea of the client’s needs then proceeding through a systematic process that provides both direction and shared expectations,” Buresh says. “That’s exactly what the Dyers and I accomplished.”

The Dyers wanted to establish continuity between the home and property, seamlessly bringing the outdoors in to create an organic yet chic design that embodied the tranquility of the natural setting. Buresh’s mission was to create a space that embraced the casual and functional, as well as the contemporary luxe. “The design was all about balance, whether the family was entertaining friends, relaxing with family, or simply having kids in wet bathing suits running in and out,” Buresh says.

And balance is the key element of the comprehensive design. While outdoor luxury living was a cornerstone element, a nature-inspired palette of grays, neutrals, greens, and blues were infused throughout the interior, reflecting the beauty of the outdoors inside. Buresh also used layers of textures and colors to soften the space without compromising the airy openness of the home. Likewise, custom-designed furniture allowed Buresh to accommodate Cam Dyer’s six-foot-eight-inch frame, providing ease of accessibility, and highly functional furniture without sacrificing the clean, contemporary aesthetic.

Ample outdoor living areas effortlessly extend the home’s livable square footage, all with a picturesque backdrop of the pool and lake. Extra seating offers guests the opportunity to sit back and relax with a glass of wine on a poolside lounger, at the stone fire pit, or in one of the eight Adirondack-style rocking chairs that line the back patio. The clean, straight lines of the pool and furniture perfectly complement the linear detail of the bluestone patio stone pavers that coordinate with the pale blue patio ceiling, a nod to a traditional feature of Southern design. An adjacent screened porch boasts additional dining and sitting areas, complete with versatile swivel chairs that encourage conversation or aid relaxation next to the electric fire table while taking in a game on TV.

Durability was a priority in this busy heart of the home. Crisp white cabinetry and linear gray tile stand up to excessive traffic while stainless state-of-the-art Thermador appliances and the streamlined design of plumbing fixtures and recessed lighting keep the space feeling light and airy.







Buresh's use of textures and subtle colors throughout the master suite echoes the cohesive design. Natural woven blinds are layered with soft blue window treatments in the bathroom to offer privacy while also adding a dash of color to accent the gray cabinetry and white marble. The bedroom, the Dyers personal sanctuary, is full of texture – from the upholstered headboard with nail-head trim to the textured silver gray

bench to the classic, European damask linen curtains.

In the kitchen and dining room, the portion of the home Buresh lovingly dubs “Grand Central,” the design centers not only on the balance between chic and casual but also focuses on accessibility and durability. The upscale farmhouse-inspired kitchen echoes the same subtle palette of the home but also includes a custom-designed Tritter

*Top:* The Aerin Lauder for Visual Comfort chandelier is the brilliant focal point for this contemporary dining room. The custom dining table and sideboard, both from Tritter Feefer, were designed and finished for the space, and the Hickory Chair dining chairs with nail-head trim encourage guests to linger well after the meal is finished. Tailored linen drapes with Greek key trim and matte wide-planked hardwood floors accentuate the beauty of pairing classic and contemporary elements. *Bottom:* Eye-catching wallpaper provides movement and a powerful punch of rich blues and golds, giving this powder room pizzazz and an aesthetic that is both elegant and wild. Gilded accessories, a star chandelier by Suzanne Kasler, and Visual Comfort sconces give this space maximum impact.



Feefer farm table that comfortably seats a crowd. The table's protective coating and the chairs' faux ostrich fabric are both beautiful and easily maintained. Likewise, the custom, extra-long formal dining table seats up to sixteen and the nail-head dining chairs were selected to encourage lingering at the table long after a meal. Both tables were constructed one to two inches taller than average to give Cam Dyer a maximum amount of comfort and mobility.

It was this attention to detail that made the unveiling of the finished product a day that neither the Dyers nor Buresh will soon forget.

Buresh's "reveal day" is never complete without a few homey touches like her signature bottle of wine and bowl of nuts on the table, which she says is an invitation to sit down and enjoy some Southern hospitality. "I honestly believe our living environments affect our physical and emotional well-being," Buresh says. "That's why my passion is creating a design that embodies the client's needs—a haven where they can relax, put their feet up, and enjoy life." ♦

*Top:* Window treatments in textured blue Pindler fabric soften the gray cabinetry and white marble. An Aerin Lauder for Visual Comfort chandelier adds a glamorous touch to the subtle palette of this master bath.

*Right:* Texture is the name of the game in this luxurious master bedroom. An upholstered headboard with brushed nickel nail-head trim and silver bench, both by Suzanne Kasler for Hickory Chair, and a custom side table by Tritter Feefer coordinate seamlessly with the blues and greens of European damask linen curtains and Lacefield Designs accent pillows that echo the beautiful lake vista as seen from the expansive windows.

