

Interior Designer's Vacation Home: A Beach House With Just a Touch of Nautical Style

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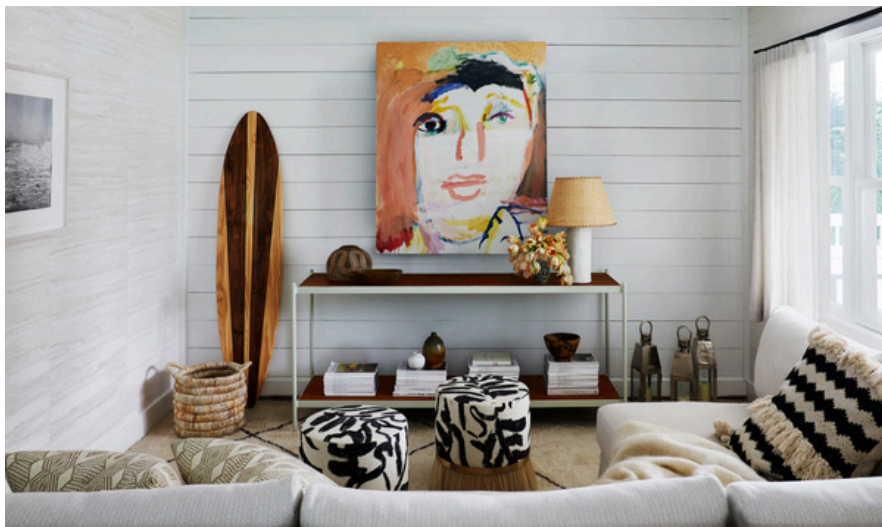
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The house, although not very large, can accommodate many guests. There is plenty of space for socializing inside and outside the house. Photo: Manu Rodriguez

Designer Laura Krey's family loves the New Jersey shore. They rented a vacation home there for a long time before deciding to buy their own. They were looking for a home that would accommodate a lot of guests and have plenty of space for socializing both inside and out.



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Manasquan House

She, as an interior designer, wanted a grand design. Her husband, however, was reluctant to buy a house that would require a complete renovation. They chose a compromise. They found a 1950s house that the previous owners had remodeled in 2014, so the house was relatively new. The house is within walking distance of downtown shops and restaurants, which is just great.



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Laura is a proponent of sustainable design, so she tried to make the most of what she had. But she wanted to create a “beach house with just a touch of nautical flair.” Combining both of those ideas required a lot of creativity. Much of the finishing and furnishings were custom-made, but that means everything is personalized, tailored to their style, which Laura Krey also does in her projects for clients. A favorite spot in the house is the garden, with a large table and a place for holiday parties.



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Laura Krey in her home. Photo: Manu Rodriguez