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WELCOMING WARMTH

RICH BROWNS CLEAN LINES AND INNOVATIVE ELEMENTS COMPATIBLE WITH A CONTEMPORARY HOME ENERGIZE VISITORS AT THE 2004 DECORATORS SHOW HOUSE Story by Susannah M. Wilson Photography by Ron Hart



STYLE MIX

The triangular-shaped office, designed by Barbara Westbrook of Westbrook Interiors, combines iron, stone, wood materials, warm neutrals and many textures.

Furniture from various periods adds interest to the office. Westbrook introduced three 58-inch-tall custom-made oak bookcases designed in a contemporary, Billy Bulfinch American style. The bookcases tuck into a space beneath the window and appear to be built in. Beside them, a Jean Michel Frank-style wing chair is paired with a waxed leather ottoman.

A gold chair with a Greek key arm and a 1940's look is drawn up to a French marble-topped table serving as a desk. A sculptural African necklace and two Ethiopian crosses, displayed on stands, contribute detail and a casual contrast with the leafy wing chair. "This mixture of furniture feels like it belongs in a casual space. Even the desk, which could go into a formal space, took on an eclectic look with all the pieces around it," Westbrook says. These furnishings appear to have been collected over time.

DESIGN DETAILS
Westbrook Interiors, Inc., (404) 335-9430.
Desk, pair of pine tables, Tou/Jerry Pair Antiques. Area rug, Designer Carpets. Art, Dennis Campy painting, Modern Primitive Gallery. Fabrics & trim, patterned fabric, Lulu DK, Trevis & Co.; wool, Rogers & Goffigon. Slipper chairs, Swenson Upholstery. Bookshelves, C. W. Sikes. Custom iron floor lamps, Andrew T. Crawford Ironworks. Throw, Lynn Swenson. Paint, Benjamin Moore Paints, WC-03. Window treatment, Judy Pratt Window Treatments; taupe linen scrim, Calvin Fabrics. Taupe casement, Doughty. Leather chairs & ottoman, Wyatt Childs.

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“I never thought that a room this open and this tall would be this warm, and I love the sound of rushing water,” commented a visitor to the 2004 ASA Decorators’ Show House & Gardens. She had just stepped into the expansive great room, designed by Rod Perry and Gordon Plummer of Perry & Plummer. Visitors expressed similar enthusiasm for all the rooms on view at “The Pavilions,” as the show house was called.

Architect Rick Sibly designed this contemporary residence, located on Northside Drive in Buckhead, for businessman Hix Mizell in 1987. Sibly and his client were inspired by the architecture of Frank Lloyd Wright. The setting, including seven lush gardens, was a fund-raiser for the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, sponsored by the Atlanta Symphony Associates.

Asian elements, chocolate hues, unusual sinks and faucets, delicate pendant lights and other bold features reflected a fresh, 21st-century approach to design. The following pages highlight 11 showhouse rooms and the ideas that got people talking.



TEXTURE & COLOR

Rod Perry and Gordon Plummer of Perry & Plummer planned three seating areas for the large entertainment pavilion. One furniture grouping overlooks a patio and lake.

Shag is back! And now it's available in gorgeous combinations of fibers, lengths and thicknesses. In the great room, a creamy tan shag carpet establishes a zone of comfort for a large wood floor. A custom-designed sofa with a high angled back is upholstered in a cocoa-colored boucle. Pillows covered with brown velvet, a cotton-and-silk herringbone, and a pale tubular cotton chenille offer a feast for the eyes and the fingertips. The contemporary coffee table features a driftwood-like finish.

Walls painted tan appear cream-colored in bright light, cocoa-colored in dimmer light and gray-green as foliage unfurls in springtime. Browns, mochas, chocolates and briges make the room friendly. “Colors that suggest tree bark, pine needles and the earth create an effect of warmth psychologically. We used these colors to eliminate the cold feeling of the room,” Plummer says.

DESIGN DETAILS

Perry & Plummer, (404) 233-2101.

Glass artist, Armando Guevara, from Mario Rogers, Glass Fabricators, Inc. Drapery fabric, Carlton House, Charles Osborne & Co. Benjamin Moore Paints, walls & ceiling, HC-83. Sectional sofa, custom design, Perry & Plummer, fabric, Fabricut, Grizel & Mann. Shag area rug, Tuftex of California, Prosource Wholesale Floor Covering. Wood inlaid tables, Inlo Puri.

