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A NEW SKYLIGHT,
A CLEAN PALETTE
AND ELEGANT
FURNISHINGS
CREATE A SERENE,
LIGHT-FILLED HOME
IN LINCOLN PARK
FOR A BUSY FAMILY
OF FOUR.

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Photography by Michael Robinson*



Designer Andrea
Caldanoni paired
watery blue hues with
a crisp white palette
to create the Zen
vibe Jar clients were
looking for. A blue sofa
from Montauk Sofa
and photography by
David B. Jerny make
a big statement in the
luxe living room.

ON a tight city lot with buildings on both sides, natural daylight is a true luxury, and interior designer Andrea Goldman made it her mission to brighten up an elegant new three-level limestone-clad manse in Lincoln Park for her clients, a young family with two children, ages 10 and 12. "The clients wanted it to feel blown-out," Goldman says. "White and bright."

For the owners, especially the wife, the simple palette also felt tranquil. "I'm a type A personality, and clutter induces anxiety in me, so we were looking for a Zen space," she explains.

Although the two-year construction project was already underway when Goldman came on board, the designer put her stamp on the project, simplifying the moldings, designing cabinetry for the master suite and, perhaps most dramatically, making the most of a large skylight over the winding staircase in the center of the house. "The light is shared all the way down," Goldman explains.

White walls reflect that light and, when taken with the rustic lime-washed hardwood flooring, establish the sort of casual



From top: The built-in banquette alongside the kitchen island conveniently faces the open family room, while the custom cabinetry by O'Brien Harris contains tons of storage. "Working with Peter Harris is always a treat," says Goldman; a new skylight installed by Matt Dulock of Red Rock Custom Homes brings tons of light into the core of the house.

sophistication that the owners envisioned for the main living areas. A pair of metal-framed chairs with textural hide seats, and a modern sofa covered in navy blue velvet, surround a shagreen cocktail table in the formal living room. "Everything is symmetrical," Goldman says. "This is a straightforward row house, and I like being respectful of that."

In the adjacent dining room, a more muted space with a limestone fireplace mantel, a beautiful glass chandelier is suspended over a custom dining table with a thick oak top surrounded by comfy upholstered chairs. In place of artwork, Goldman designed a custom antiqued mirror for one wall. "It makes the space feel larger and bounces the light all over," she explains.

Antiqued mirrored cabinet doors do the same thing in the classic white kitchen, which was designed by Peter Harris of O'Brien Harris, with custom floor-to-ceiling cabinetry. In place of seating at the island, Goldman incorporated a banquette with plush gray cushions that echo the subtle veining in the white Calacatta Gold marble countertops and backsplash.

The beautiful stone has been carried into the second-floor master bathroom, which sports a custom vanity.



The dining room is in the center of the house and was once a dark, closed-in space. Now, it is bright and airy thanks to the natural light it receives from the skylight in the adjacent winding stairway. The custom antiqued mirror wall and chandelier from Artisanos further reflect light around the room. The dining chairs are a custom design by Goldman, and the photographic artwork is by Joshua Jensen-Peagle.



dual water closets and a separate shower and tub. "I used a few classic tried-and-true materials throughout the home," Goldman explains, pointing to the flooring in the mudroom, which is made of the same limestone as the floor in the front foyer. "Aside from being very cohesive, it makes it feel more peaceful and calming."

That's especially true of the master suite, where a grass-cloth wallcovering and sumptuous textiles create an enveloping retreat. The space is furnished with a tailored upholstered headboard flanked by a pair of lacquered wood side tables with fabric-lined drawer fronts. "It's a soft, pretty room," Goldman says.

In contrast to the light palette throughout, the kids' third-floor family room, which is located in between their bedrooms, sports cozy blue flannel-covered walls. "This space is right under the skylight, so it doesn't feel too dark," Goldman says. "The kids have the run of the third floor."

The basement, which is outfitted with a "ninja warrior room" with a climbing wall and an art studio, is also largely a kids' space, and the owners wouldn't have it any other way. "It's easy to entertain other families because the kids all go downstairs," the wife says.

Indeed, happy doesn't begin to describe the way the owners feel about their new dwelling. "I love my house so much," the wife says, noting that she has always regretted decorating choices in the past. This time, she wouldn't change a thing, and she's quick to credit Goldman. "Andrea is laid-back, her work is beautiful and we have similar taste. It was a good pairing." ■



Custom lightstands restored by Rockwell Park the master bed suite while maintaining one as a showpiece. The piece by David Burley, inspired the green wall softening a large walk-in closet just outside the main level floor-to-ceiling custom cabinet with doors that keep most clutter out of sight. (Opposite page) The master bathroom has two water closets, a large shower and a soaking tub overlooking the deck with a Jacuzzi.

DESIGN DETAILS

TYPE
Single-Family Home

LOCATION
Lincoln Park

ARCHITECTURE
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INTERIOR DESIGN
Andrea Goldman, Andrea
Goldman Design
andreagoldmandesign.com

BUILDERS
Red Rock Custom Homes
redrockdevelopmentllc.com

KITCHEN DESIGN
Peter Harris, O'Brien Harris
obrienharris.com

RESOURCES

ANNE LOUCKS GALLERY
Joshua Jensen-Nagle photo in dining room
loucksgallery.com; jensennagle.com

ARIA STONE GALLERY
Kitchen countertops and backsplash
aristonegallery.com

CIRCA LIGHTING
Chandelier in master bathroom
circalighting.com

JOHN ROSSELLI & ASSOCIATES
Iatesta Studio dining table
clavil@iatesta.com; johnrosselli.com

HOLLY HUNT
Ironies coffee table in living room and
Phillip Jeffries wallcoverings throughout
ironies.com; philipjeffries.com;
hollyhunt.com

MONTAUK
Living and family room sofas
montaukasofa.com

OSCAR ISBERIAN RUGS
Rugs in master bedroom
isberian.com

STARK
Runners on stairs, rugs in living room, dining
room, master bedroom and family room
starkcarpet.com

STUDIO 41
Americah tub in master bathroom
shopsstudio41.com

**TERRAZZO & MARBLE
SUPPLY COMPANIES**
Marble flooring and slabs in master bathroom
tmsupply.com

WATERWORKS
Scones in master bathroom and
pendants in kitchen
waterworks.com