



FRESH-AIR FIENDS


An outdoor space gets a face-lift thanks to CDK Interior Design.

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For Christy Dillard Kratzer of CDK Interior Design (cdkinteriordesign.net), this Buckhead project was personal—a longtime college friend asked her to transform her outdoor space into

a true living space in April 2020. “My clients realized they were going to need this space to enjoy staying at home more than they normally would,” she says. A three-month time frame CONTINUED...




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A lounge area gets softness from sofas and chairs from Logan Gardens. Previous page: The dining table from Elegant Earth is perfect for an intimate alfresco meal.



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saw some pieces readily available, and then others on a pandemic delay. “Luckily, the upholstered pieces were readily available and shipped quickly, which allowed the homeowners to immediately spend time in the pavilion.” Kratzer achieved her goal of turning the space into a “true outdoor living space, where you have a wonderful lounge and TV viewing area in the pavilion, cozied up next to an alfresco dining space. This became the space to enjoy day and night.”

Kratzer used Bradley E. Heppner Architecture’s design on the Dooley Custom Homes’ abode as a starting point. “It was the guiding point for the whole project,” she says. “Whites, light and dark grays, and black accents were used to continue the clients’ interior color palette. This natural palette also worked well with

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From left: A console sourced from Holland MacRae and a mirror sourced from B.D. Jeffries emphasize indoor-outdoor living; another view from the covered patio.



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the colors of the brick, bluestone floors and woodwork on the pavilion by keeping it light and bright and feeling current.” With landscape architecture by Howard Design Studio, a bocce court is next to the pavilion, and a barn door leads to the garage, making eventual party prep a cinch.

Logan Gardens provided the bulk of the upholstery, while the dining table and white console tables were sourced from Elegant Earth. Additional pieces from Holland MacRae, B.D. Jeffries and Made Goods help finish the patio as

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if it was an interior space .

Despite knowing they were in the midst of a pandemic, Kratzer’s clients were surprised by “just how much they used the outdoor living space and how much quality of life it provided. It’s been a gift considering the time spent at home in the last year.” ■

PATIO FURNITURE

Logan Gardens
Sofas, swivel chairs, dining chairs, throw blanket
logangardens.com

Elegant Earth
Dining table, white console tables
elegantearth.com

Holland MacRae
Console table
hollandmacrae.com

B.D. Jeffries
Large round mirror
bdjeffries.com

Made Goods
Large gray coffee table, woven stool, bowls
madegoods.com