



THE HAVENHOVED HOME

“DROP DEAD GORGEOUS.”

is how designer Jamie Jackson describes this new home and its surroundings, overlooking Anini Beach on the North Shore of Kauai. So when the homeowners were looking for just the right décor to complement the easy feel of this stunning place, Jackson—who is known for her modern, beachy style—excitedly took on the project.

“The concept was to have fun with it. Make it totally accessible for a family, for people who visit and use the beach and just really live it,” Jackson says. Because the homeowners spend most of their time on the East Coast, Jackson utilized technology, such as a mail, to work with the family long distance. At the top of their design wish list: Create a style that married both Nantucket and plantation styles. In other words, East Coast meets North Shore, for the epitome of coastal living.

A cheerful, laid-back design director gave Jackson plenty of room to play. In three months, she chose and

set up everything from the hairbrush to the fork and spoon. And no small pieces or vintage furnishings here. “Things had to be easily cleaned and washed,” she says, “meaning a lot of slip covers and durable fabrics.”

To give the décor a unique feel, Jackson chose affordable pieces and covered them with different, fun fabrics and textures. She went for muted, custom-colored slipcovers and sofa and yellow tones. She also tried to amp up the textures in each room, adding natural woven fibers and warm wood tones. Not to mention lots of color. “This family really likes color.”

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Colorful and casual beachy complements, but never distract from the real star of the show: the beautiful view.



Bright splashes of watercolor just up an otherwise neutral space. Because the finishes are subtle, accent colors can easily be changed.

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Jackson says, and she wasn't afraid to use it. She chose creamy neutrals and subtle beach tones for the walls, but accented everything with bright pops of tropical hues.

“There's a hint of the past, like in the rolled-arm sofas, but it's modern too,” Jackson says. “There's stuff you would find in an old Nantucket beach house that's been there for 150 years, but it's also bright



and cheerful and says we're in the Pacific.”

The result of marrying two very distinct styles of coastal living? A unique, yet comfortable space, perfectly at home in the Islands. The homeowner's initial response said it all for Jackson. “The first feedback I got from them was a one-word email,” she says. “It just said ‘wow.’ As a designer, that's really nice to hear.”

A little bit of this, a little bit of that: A traditional light fixture and another mix harmoniously with island marble, like a large vase of bamboo and even bamboo window shades.



INDOOR/OUTDOOR

Designers often declare special fun in creating spaces that naturally blend the indoors with the outdoors. In this house, with the island marble from almost every room, the specialty glass tables and bar stools by the pool are perfect. Perched in the dining room, the geometric, metal light fixture allows rays of the changing stars, day or night. The Jackson outdoor fabrics are also here. "Outdoor fabric is a great mix. We tend to use a lot of outdoor fabrics indoors because they're so beautiful," Jackson says. The bar stools, dining chairs and table are also made of weather-resistant materials, such as teak, as well as metal and acrylic.

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For a family who is not afraid of fun and color, Jackson took an array of different, cheerful patterns on accessories, such as the napkins and pillows in the dining area.