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INSIDE THE AMERICAN HOME



Introduction by Marc Kristal

# STAMFORD

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This sophisticated home is cozy enough for a couple yet designed for entertaining. A luxurious color palette of whites and grays alongside touches of aubergine, green, and a lovely peacock blue establish its sensual modernity.

The clients' love of lighting was fulfilled by incorporating various statement pieces throughout the home. A black glass chandelier sets a glamorous mood in the sitting room; the tongue-in-cheek humor of an Ingo Maurer fixture with feather wings livens the living room; and an over-scaled polished nickel drum shade defines the dining space.

The home includes both a formal sitting room as well as a more intimate living room. A custom designed 11-foot-long (3-meter-long) walnut dry bar, featuring closed storage below and an open cantilevered shelving system above, along with a gray smokey mirror lining the back, enhances the home's potential for entertaining. In contrast to the dry bar, a floral wallpaper mural—applied to thick board and mounted onto the wall—has been transformed into fine art, adding depth and dimension to the space.

The clients' personalities are reflected in the strategic placement of bold color choices upon a neutral palette. A repurposed nightstand, translated to a lacquered deep plum storage and serving chest, adorns the sitting room. A patent peacock blue leather chair anchors the living space and aubergine velvet chairs surround the dining table. Metallic accents feature throughout, from a metallic painted hide rug, to a silvered river rock coffee table, to a chrome-plated glass chandelier.

The master bedroom is a serene, romantic space with a tufted velvet headboard that climbs close to the ceiling and a Mongolian fur bench at the foot of the bed. An oversized chandelier enhances the luxe mood of the space.

The timeless design of the kitchen functions well for a large party or intimate entertaining and leads directly outdoors to the screened porch and large backyard.

**Location:** Austin, Texas **Area:** 3558 ft<sup>2</sup> (331 m<sup>2</sup>) **Completed:** 2014 **Photography:** Ryann Ford









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