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# Great Ideas from IDA winners

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INTERIOR DESIGN

## EAST COAST CALIFORNIAN *D2 Interieurs*

The design duo of D2 Interieurs faced a long list of needs for the complete redecoration of this Fairfield County abode. Issues included a lack of cohesion throughout the home, a monotone color palette and the desire for a durable-yet-elegant space. The goals were achieved by adding textural wallpaper and billowy floor-length curtains in the dining room, durable furniture fit for the family's three active children and geometric patterns in ivory, blue and brown hues. *D2 Interieurs, Weston, 646-326-7048, d2interieurs.com.*

ARCHITECTURE



## NEW HOME, OLD VIEW *Reese Owens Architects*

Downstream from an 18th-century sawmill and surrounded by conservation areas, this new construction balances cottage aesthetics with a bright and breathable interior. Though the site is densely shaded, three main rooms feature large windows that allow light in from front and back. A cupola atop the hipped shake roof provides a unique ceiling. *Reese Owens Architects, Washington Depot, 860-439-1111, reeseowens.com.*



Our CTC&G judges handpick 10 design projects from IDA winners that inspire—and that we applaud!



BATH

## TUB-SIDE SPARKLE *Ingrid Becker for Deane, Inc.*

This bathroom features a mosaic blend of marble and mirror behind the tub and vanity, giving the space a sophisticated sparkle and elegance. The minimalistic freestanding tub and floating vanities introduce a modern vibe, while metallic hermit-crab shells and a starfish statue bring a bit of the beach indoors. *Ingrid Becker for Deane, Inc., New Canaan, 203-972-8836, deaneinc.com.*

SMALL SPACES



## VERSATILE VARIETY *Huestis Tucker Architects, LLC*

This carriage house-inspired building was designed to be flexible enough to accommodate a variety of uses from displaying sports cars to housing overnight guests. While the exterior of the building showcases historic elements, such as swinging carriage house doors, the interiors are a synthesis of rustic and polished features. *Huestis Tucker Architects, LLC, Woodbridge, 203-248-1007, huestistucker.com.*

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LANDSCAPE

### STAY-CATION *Jennifer Anderson Design & Development*

This renovated antique home tackles its narrow, sloping yard with a series of terraces built into the land's natural grade. Distinct spaces for a covered porch and bar, lounge area, pool and low maintenance gardens are lined with fieldstone walls and bluestone patios. Low voltage moonlighting keeps the space uncluttered and warmly lit from dusk until dawn. *Jennifer Anderson Design & Development, Wilton, 203-834-9666, jenniferanderson-designs.com.*

KITCHEN



### SWEET & SAVORY *Steven Mueller Architects, LLC*

Minimalist geometry in this chic kitchen allows high-quality materials to shine. Glass orbs appear suspended like bubbles above a two-inch solid Carrera marble island. Shaker-style cabinets are modernized with a decorator-white finish and frame contemporary stainless steel appliances. *Steven Mueller Architects, LLC, Greenwich, 203-869-3758, stevenmuellerarchitects.com.*

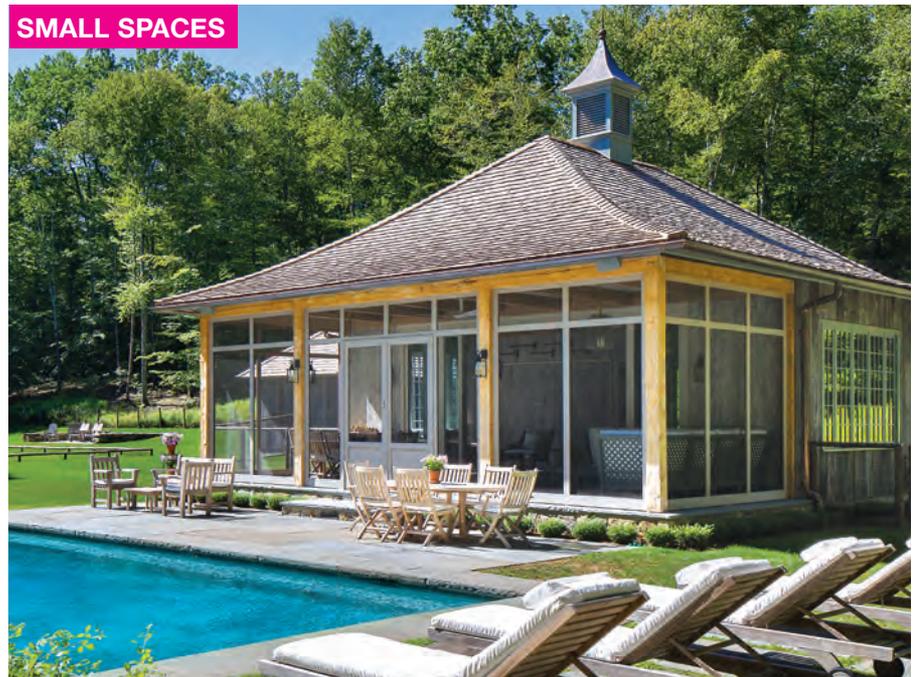


BATH

### OLD MEETS NEW *Eileen Deschappelles Interior Design*

This newly renovated Asian-inspired bathroom boasts a soothing white-and-gray palette, while unused square footage incorporated from the adjacent hallway enlarges the space. The modern design allows for an abundance of natural light thanks to the skylight installation. Additional features include a heated floor, a custom vanity and an antique pocket door. *Eileen Deschappelles Interior Design, Riverside, 203-561-9314, edinteriordesign.com.*

SMALL SPACES



### DOUBLE DUTY *Reese Owens Architects*

After incubating for five years, the idea of a pool house finally came to fruition for a central-Connecticut family. The space is flexible: It can be used to entertain or provide shade by the pool. A galley kitchen hides behind sliding barn doors and the fold-down bed can house overnight guests. *Reese Owens Architects, Washington Depot, 860-868-4000, reeseowens.com.*

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**KITCHEN**

## **KITCHEN REVIVAL** *Vicente Burin Architects*

A kitchen renovation to a classic Mediterranean revival home needed to provide a space large enough for the clients' big family as well as for entertaining guests. The owners' desire for an eclectic mix of materials resulted in a generous island, a pizza oven and connections to the staircase, family room and intimate bar. *Vicente Burin Architects, Fairfield, 203-319-9571, vbarchitect.com.*



**ARCHITECTURE**

## **GREENERY & GABLES**

*Steven Mueller Architects, LLC*

While the symmetrical street view of this residence is traditional and polished, tiered rooflines rising to a wood-shingled gable allude to a more rustic barn structure. Glass, painted Azek columns, glossy cedar roofing and a gray brick chimney modernize the façade, while terraced fieldstone walls and hedgerows lend some privacy to the front porch. *Steven Mueller Architects, LLC, Greenwich, 203-869-3758, stevenmuellerarchitects.com.*



**LANDSCAPE**

## **ZERO TO HERO** *Glen Gate Company*

A tired pool space bid adieu to patchy grass and broken cobblestones with this long-needed makeover. Now, a mix of organic structures—including a living roof bathhouse and a wood-shingled pavilion—as well as increased foliage provide privacy and organization. Lush gardens weave the structures together to create a cohesive backyard glade. *Glen Gate Company, Wilton, 203-762-2000, glengatecompany.com.*

**INTERIOR DESIGN**



## **FAMILY STYLE** *Hannah Childs Interior Design*

Originally a garage, this shoreline abode was designed by Hannah Childs and John Allee, of Allee Architecture + Design, with family life in mind. The interiors are contemporary with a neutral color palette and muted, patterned fabrics, while the exterior leans toward a traditional styling, blending in with the surrounding New England architecture. *Hannah Childs Interior Design, Old Lyme, 860-405-4394, hannahchildsinteriordesign.com.*

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