



ARCHITECT:

Liz Baker

COMPANY:

Translations Design Studio

CREDENTIALS:

Starting from a young age, Liz knew that she had a passion for architecture. With a Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Design from Clemson University, Liz possesses a meticulous attention to detail that allows her to bring every element that a homeowner desires to life. Liz's passion for her craft also led her to becoming a member of the American Institute of Architects.



What were the homeowner's design goals and how did you achieve those goals?

The owners wanted a coastal cottage with an efficient floor plan. It needed to live well when it is just the two of them as well as while entertaining, on a regular basis. With retirement in mind, we were mindful of downsizing, but still provided them with the comfortable size rooms.

Where there any challenges that you had to overcome throughout this process?

Typically, cottages have a larger main level footprint than the upper level. This is because the upper level is within the roofline. It creates wonderfully sloped ceilings, however, while designing the upper level, it requires additional time to calculate wall and ceiling heights.

How did you collaborate with the homeowners to meet their expectations?

We met regularly to review and tweak the plans. Ryan Butler, the owner of SHELTER Custom-Built Living, was also at a majority of the meetings along with his team members on occasion. We were able to treat this home like a design-build and there were no last-minute changes in the end due to budget or builder input. Every detail was integrated along the way.

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Practical Beauty

The homeowners considered their everyday routine and lifestyle to determine the best material for their kitchen.

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you have a large project like a kitchen, or even just a large kitchen island, it's normal to have to purchase a whole slab," describes Adriene. "But for some of the smaller projects, like a powder room, we recommend for most homeowners, including Michael and Amy, that they ask a fabricator if they have any remnants from larger projects. This saves time, money, and materials for everyone involved in the project."

Bonni and Adriene both have similar approaches when they work with a homeowner to choose the right countertops for their home. Much like with Michael and Amy, they always ask about a homeowner's day-to-day routine, "Knowing all of these things makes it a lot easier to narrow down the choices for the homeown-

er, which in turn makes the decision much less overwhelming," says Bonni. Adriene adds, "It also means that we're educating the homeowners about the materials they're choosing, and how to care for each one properly, which is, in our opinion, the most important step in the process."

With a team that cares so much about the satisfaction of their homeowners and the longevity of the materials, it's no mystery how these Daniel Island homeowners were able to build their dream home. *

For more information about the countertop fabricator, call Stone Central at (843) 879-3278 or visit stonecentralsc.com. For more information about the countertop supplier, call Vitoria International at (843) 760-2470 or visit vitoriainternational.com.



"Orca" Leathered Marble

Stunning Natural Surfaces

Once these Daniel Island homeowners put together the dream team for creating their dazzling abode, nothing could stop them from attaining the perfect space for their family.

Michael and Amy knew they wanted to build a completely custom house on Daniel Island as their primary residence, and after extensive research and interviews, it was clear that SHELTER Custom-Built Living was the builder for them. The team and experience they brought to the table was incomparable, and the couple had a very specific vision.

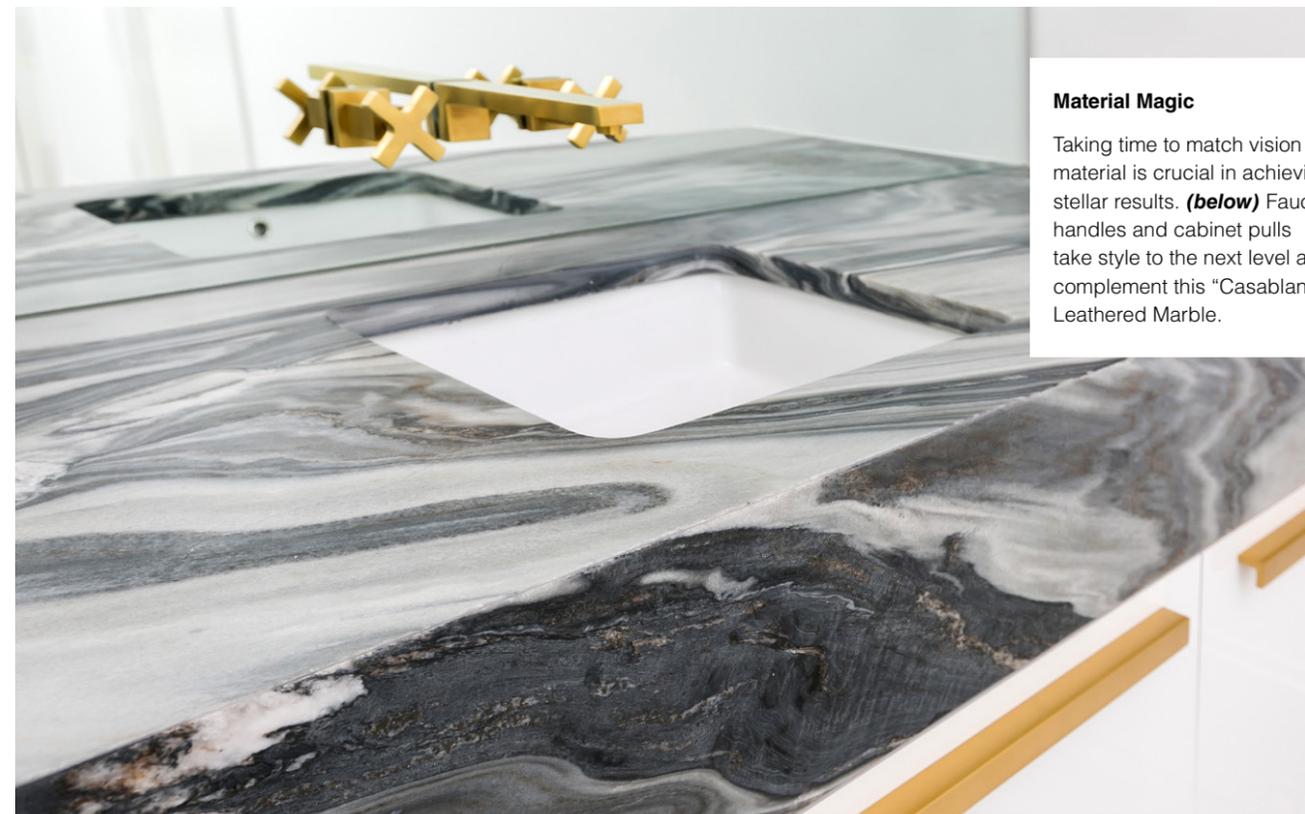
Part of the team that SHELTER, and interior designer, Hollis Erickson put together for the homeowners was Stone Central, a countertop fabricator, and Vitoria International, a natural and man-made stone supplier. "Hollis came

to us with a clear idea of what the homeowners wanted in the different areas of their home," explains Bonni Agnew of Stone Central. "First, she took the homeowners to Vitoria International's showroom, walked them around their warehouse to see the different slabs they could choose from, and then I met with all of them to discuss what they were looking for in terms of what materials would be the best fit for their lifestyle.

Throughout the process of selecting natural stone for each space in the home, Hollis and Bonni worked closely with Adriene Araujo of Vitoria International to find the perfect slabs. "When



Adriene Araujo of Vitoria International and Bonni Agnew of Stone Central



Material Magic

Taking time to match vision to material is crucial in achieving stellar results. **(below)** Faucet handles and cabinet pulls take style to the next level and complement this "Casablanca" Leathered Marble.

Photography by Patrick Brickman



Modern Meets Traditional

A traditional home was made more modern with an upgrade to the backyard including a koi pond and sloped cabana.

Remodeling Features + Contributors:

- Koi Pond and Waterfall by Aquatic Creations
- Remodel by SHELTER Custom-Built Living
- Designed by Mosmi Naik-Patel Life Story Events & Interiors
- Tile by Buckhannon Tile + Design
- Metal Cabana Frame by Lowcountry Iron & Woodworks
- IPE Bridge & Flooring by Buck Lumber & Building Supply

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The Architectural Effect

Vaulted ceilings assist in making a space feel larger, while light colors and lots of windows make it bright and airy.

Features + Contributors:

- Vaulted Ceilings in Kitchen & Dining Room
- Natural Wood Barn Door
- Built-In Mudroom Storage
- Architecture by Translations Design Studio
- Built by SHELTER Custom-Built Living

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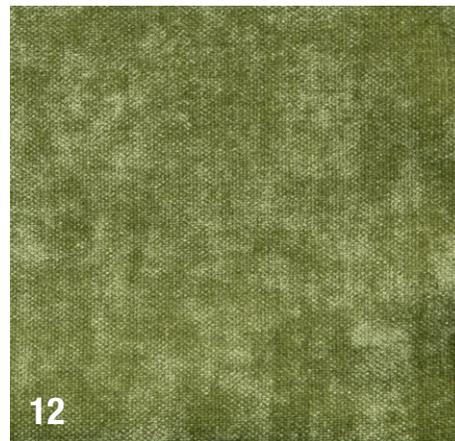




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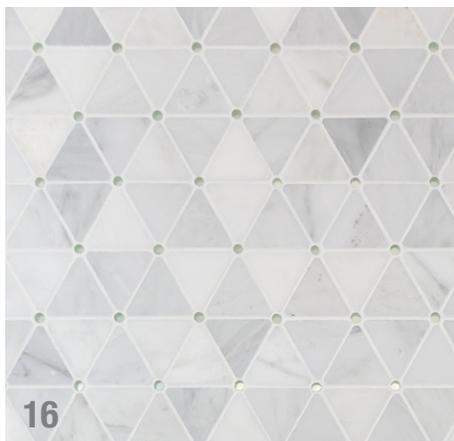
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their commitment to quality. The owners, Ryan and Jenny Butler, spoke about their family and how they played into building the company as well as their standards to quality.

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