

Enclaves of Retreat

*Design a space of solitude to disappear
and decompress*

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STAY PUT

Walk into an Eggersmann-designed closet and you'll want to stay a while. For this South Florida project, a shoe and accessory wall, an eco leather wardrobe, a watch-winding station, a hidden safe and an island with a glass, lighted counter top and velvet jewelry inserts are among the standouts; price upon request; available at Eggersmann USA in Dania Beach; eggersmannusa.com

Hanger Space

Well-appointed closets elevate everyday dressing



Photo by Sargent Photography

REFLECTION POOL

To accommodate her client's request for a large, bright closet she could share with her husband, Sara McCann of McCann Design Group in West Palm Beach and designers, Jenna Conte Olin and Carly Simmel, removed the wall separating the couple's single closets and affixed mirrors to cabinet doors to reflect the natural light from the adjacent bath and create the illusion of extra space. Visual Comfort frosted glass wall sconces add extra luminosity and the fur ottoman from Jamie Dietrich Designs is rapturously chic; mccanndesigngroup.com.



HOT FUZZ

Soft, fuzzy and forever female, fur's mystique winds its way into myriad forms, including Old Hickory Tannery's Worthen Tibetan sheepskin bergere chair and ottoman; from \$2,399; available at Neiman Marcus; neimanmarcus.com.

BESPOKE BEAUTY

Thanks to The Container Store, we can stop dreaming about our dream closets. Cobble a bespoke wardrobe closet system from eight exclusive finishes, myriad hardware options and special features like freestanding islands, belt, tie and pant racks, valet rods, concealed hampers, LED lights and more; price upon request; available at The Container Store locations; containerstore.com.



CRYSTAL PALACE

Dress things up with Hudson Valley's 6030 Dunkirk chandelier with aged brass branches and multifaceted crystals; \$2,856; available at Capitol Lighting locations; 1800lighting.com.



AQUA WOMAN

In "Aquatic Sensuality," a limited-edition series featuring separate photographs, local shutterbug Daniela Gross turns the camera around to capture her passion for pool-frolicking in—what else?—her favorite red pumps; price upon request; available at DG Photo Art & Design in Boca Raton; dgphotoartdesign.com.



Worker Bee

Find business bliss with work-from-home must-haves



FAUX FABULOUS

Standing 8 feet tall, this grand faux fiddle leaf fig tree is a de rigueur, designer favorite that requires no watering and comes planted in a nursery pot; \$695; available at RH West Palm Beach; rh.com.



GLOW ON

Thomas Pheasant's facet table lamp for Baker Furniture is designed from Murano glass that boasts a gorgeous glow when illuminated; price upon request; available at Baker Furniture in Dania Beach; bakerfurniture.com.



SITTING PRETTY

The Gracie chair's subtle bowing design mimics the human form's curvature to deliver hours of sedentary comfort; \$1,249; available at Neiman Marcus; neimanmarcus.com.



Photo by Allan Carlisle Photography

FEMME FATALE

Angela Reynolds of Angela Reynolds Design in Jupiter's provocative palette of dusty pinks, creams and black brings a cozy and glamorous vibe to this home office her client also utilizes for entertaining. Walls are dressed in black grasscloth wallpaper from Walfab and an antique crystal chandelier holds court above a wool rug from Niba Designs. An abstract painting by Australian artist Kerry Armstrong hangs behind the desk; angelareynolds.com.



WRITE ON

The Oslo desk's sharp lines and mod brass base turns getting down to business into a stylish stint; \$5,800; available at Mecox in West Palm Beach; mecox.com.

SMARTY PANTS

Crestron's touch- and voice-activated system lets users host a video conference, lower the shades, or set the air-conditioning without leaving their seats; price upon request; available at Crestron in Dania Beach; crestron.com.



Novel Approach

A reading-inspired retreat where hushing librarians aren't allowed

CHANCE ENCOUNTER

Susan Lachance of Susan Lachance Interior Design Inc. in Boca Raton transformed a surplus space into a comfortable and welcoming library that maximized her client's lake views. Varying light sources, including two Ralph Lauren floor lamps and a geometric chandelier from Hudson Valley, illumine every corner and float the attention to built-in shelving laden with fine art and sentimental accessories. A pair of nailhead-trimmed, velvet sofas in bright teal from Grafton Furniture and Vanguard Furniture's stainless steel cocktail table with a wooden shelf layer in extra warmth and contrast; [susanlachance.com](#).



COOL SEAT
Charles and Ray Eames' iconic lounge chair and ottoman turns the average reading session into an exercise in good taste; from \$5,295; available at Design Within Reach in West Palm Beach; [dwr.com](#).



SEAWORTHY STUNNER
Artist Christa Wilm adorns her stone busts of Hygeia with delicate coral, pearls, sea fans and exotic shells like Venus combs; \$325; available at Christa's South Seashells in West Palm Beach; [csseashell.com](#).



WELL READ
Amass an envious book collection in less than a day. Designer Andrew Martin's multicolored wallpaper reflects the aristocratic athenaeums in Evelyn Waugh's "Brideshead Revisited"; price upon request; available at Kravet in Dania Beach; [kravet.com](#).



FINE FOLIO
Crown your collection with a rare jewel like The Constable Edition of The Works of Shakespeare, a 10-volume set featuring poetry and 38 plays, illustrated with original watercolors and tissue-guarded plates; \$38,000; available at Raptis Rare Books in Palm Beach; [raptisrarebooks.com](#).



SHINE ON
Currey and Company's library wall sconce mixes mid-century modern design with bronze and brass embellishments; \$450; available at Capitol Lighting locations; [1800lighting.com](#).



ANGLING IN
Florence's ZigZag bookcase is a bombastic combination of straight lines and pointed angles with eight modules and more than 50 pigments and Pantone-matching options to choose from; price upon request; available at Florence in Dania Beach; [florenceusa.com](#).

Home Turf

Gent-approved accouterments for the modern testosteroom

MEDIA MAXIMUS

Frances Herrera of Frances Herrera Design in Fort Lauderdale may have had chocolate on her mind when she envisioned this masculine refuge the homeowner uses to watch sports and films with friends and family. Walls are covered in pebbled leather from Romo and a caramel-colored leather ottoman, set between a pair of micro-suede sofas from Room & Board, fills in as a footrest or a spot to rest drinks. Two zebra wooden end tables from Global Views anchor the room at opposite ends; [francesherrera.com](#).



GET A CUE
Channel your inner pool shark with California House's Austin pool table in maple with an American walnut finish; price upon request; available at Boynton Billiards in Boynton Beach and West Palm Beach; [luxurypooltables.com](#).



KICK BACK
With a motorized, waterfall footrest and available in a selection of luxurious leathers and fabrics, including ultra-suede and cashmere, the Sonoma from CinemaTech is a sectional with stamina; price upon request; available at CinemaTech in Fort Lauderdale; [mycinematech.com](#).

TELLYTASTIC
Known for its super-saturated hues and near-perfect viewing angles, LG's 4K HDR Smart OLED TV with AI (Artificial Intelligence) ThinQ is a game day and movie night must-have; from \$1,697; available at Walmart locations; [walmart.com](#).



BELLY UP
Made from rich walnut wood and trimmed with decorative hardware, the Maxine bar cabinet holds up to 16 bottles of wine and comes with a removable drink tray; \$1,599; available at Crate and Barrel locations; [crateandbarrel.com](#).



SNARLY SNAP
Trick up plain walls with quirky photographs like David Yarrow's "The Usual Suspects," which puts humans and wildlife together in a visually stunning way; \$24,000; available at Holden Luntz Gallery in Palm Beach; [holdenluntz.com](#).



SCREEN QUEEN
For this home-based bowling alley in Palm Beach, Audio One, whose clients include rock legends Aerosmith and Elton John, built a smart technology system where music, lighting and a theater-style movie screen are controlled via a touchscreen; price upon request; available at Audio One in Dania Beach; [audio-one.com](#).

Ruminative Refuge

Welcome a verdant refuge with an Asian pedigree



STONE AGE

Matthew Giampietro of Matthew Giampietro Garden Design in Fort Lauderdale turned a front yard into an enclosed Japanese garden for relaxation and meditation. Matthew studied Japanese garden design and the art of stone appreciation in Kyoto, Japan. He selected rocks in varying heights to be seen easily, planted lush greens around and behind rock compositions for greater contrast, and laid Alabama limestone to simulate water. A Buddha statue takes in the serene scene from his perch at the garden's center; matthewgiampietro.com.



WALK ON

Slow your stroll with a pathway crafted of individual stones or pavers like the Avalon Porcelain Passage pavers in Sabi Ridge; price upon request; available at Opustone Stone and Tile Concepts in West Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale, and Miami; opustone.com.

WATER FEATURE

In Japan, fountains symbolize spiritual and physical purification and the passage of time. Restoration Hardware's weathered zinc wall fountain mingles function with a geometric twist; \$1,255; available at RH West Palm Beach; rh.com.



ROYAL AWAKENING

Richard Frinier's royal lounge chair with canopy (sold separately) for Andalusia is the embodiment of peaceful reclination and its powder-coated ironwork won't succumb to inclement weather; price upon request; available at Century Furniture Showroom in Dania Beach; centuryfurniture.com.



LIGHT IT UP

Janus et Cie's austere teak Tamiko lanterns reinterpret the classic hurricane lamp; from \$381; available at Janus et Cie in Dania Beach and Miami; janusetcie.com.



FEEL AT OM

A Buddha's hand gesture, or mudra, has special meaning. This hand-carved 90-inch standing wooden Buddha from the late-1800s shows his right hand in abhaya mudra, a sign of fearlessness; \$3,800; available at Asian Accents of Palm Beach in West Palm Beach; asianaccentspb.com.