



BLURRING BOUNDARIES

If you have to strain to decipher what's indoors and what's outdoors at this John Newcombe Estates residence, then designer Lori Caldwell has done her job

1 / STRIKING BALANCE

To make the look and feel of indoor and outdoor uniform, Caldwell used the same "Café Noir" marble flooring everywhere, albeit with one important nod to the reality of wet feet. "We added a sandblasted finish to the patio area to help with traction," says Caldwell, whose company is Lori Caldwell Designs. The quest for uniformity extended to Caldwell's use of Oklahoma Ledge Stone, which is prominently dry-stacked into column inside and outside. "The stone integrated an organic and modern vibe throughout the spaces," she says.

2 / BRIGHT OUTLOOK

If your goal is to erase the boundaries separating indoors and outdoors, wall-sized windows are a must. How else to tap the natural light and unmatched aesthetics of the natural world? But bringing the outside landscape indoors also presents design challenges. "The large windows impacted the design choices because we wanted to have continuity of the materials going from inside of the home to the outside of the home, where the large windows created vast visibility," says Caldwell. "The entire house was designed to flow and be fluid."

3 / WATER EXHIBITION

The pool features a custom metal sculpture located in the water on an illuminated pedestal that resembles the couple who owns the house. Water is an important design element inside the house, as well. "Upon entering the house, there is a water feature that appears to direct the water under the house," she says. "We actually refer to this house as the floating house because of the illusion the water elements create."

4 / ENTERTAINING ARRANGEMENT

The low-to-the-ground outdoor furniture, which came from the Winston Outdoor Seating Collection, was selected in part for its flexibility in being able to create new configurations. "It has a low profile and is versatile with how many ways the pieces can be arranged," says Caldwell. "The homeowners love to entertain so these pieces served as very functional pieces for that reason." One addition made the patio more like a living room, she says: "The outdoor rug was added to bring warmth, pattern, texture and color."

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