

Our Last *Resort*



Fresh ideas and use of space take this renovation to a breezy level of overall comfort. Tailored to fit the homeowner's current needs with ample urban sophistication, this charmer speaks to its surroundings where the beauty of BC is brought home.



Custom Builder of the Year at the GVHBA Ovation Awards, My House Design/Build Team knows about setting the bar high. “Better function and exploring the possibilities is what we do,” states Managing Director Graeme Huguet. “Our team these last twenty years has been committed to providing the complete package for any size of renovation or custom home. It’s service that differentiates our team from all others.”

Registered Interior Designer Linda Jones took the initiative to create a welcoming space for the client who, as empty nesters, wanted a home that could accommodate their extended family. “Their lifestyle had changed and the house was tired,” admits Jones, “but because they loved their property, an update was an exciting prospect.”

The repurposing of space was the focus, with room layout and function carefully examined. “The family loves to entertain and the design really addresses that. Rooms now branch off from the lanai, creating a very resort-like look and feel,” adds Jones.

Sophisticated elegance permeates this Panorama Ridge home in Surrey that looks south toward Boundary Bay. Adding 150 square feet to the family room further afforded an extended kitchen, which feeds from the lanai along with the dining room, family room, and master bedroom. Direct access from this haven to the outdoor patio delivers the breezy décors that the landscape deserves, with its half-acre lot hosting a park-like setting.

“The owners wanted the ‘wow’ factor and the view from the dining room that leads to the lanai and the deck beyond is very impressive,” she adds of the extended open feel enhanced by the retractable glass walls of the lanai that keep it a four season sensation. “They were thrilled; she got the function she wanted and he got great style.”



A marble fireplace surround accents the painted wood mantle in the master bedroom that hosts access to the lanai through French glass doors.

Large-format marble tile features an attractive basket weave inlay that edges Espresso-stained, clear alder cabinetry with matching marble countertops. The glass and marble mosaic backsplash complements ensuite style, which includes an oval freestanding bath.

Fir glulam beams host routed joinery that supports reflective glass panels for maximized light and minimized heat. Porcelain tile carries to the dining room, uniting spaces. The ledge stone granite fireplace hosts a limestone slab hearth that is aligned with stacking glass panels for indoor/outdoor comfort.



Custom stained oak hardwoods anchor the espresso stained island and wine bar that complements painted perimeter cabinetry. A marble mosaic backsplash and quartz countertops (with solid colour on perimeter) are brightened by a kitchen skylight bordered by pot lighting.

A composite wood deck anchors outdoor attractions that include a cedar pergola with seating areas. Honed granite countertops surface the built-in barbecue, fridge, sink and stainless steel cabinets with assorted extras.

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Enhancing the design, attention to detail and superbly crafted architectural features evoke second glances. “Creative uses of light and glassed areas is our signature,” adds Huguet, whose team has designed, built, and managed projects throughout the Greater Vancouver area. “Each room offers its own distinctive flavour that flows together very well.”



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