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Creating an Old Florida Feel

WOOD PANELING AND WOOD TONES BRING A RUSTIC TOUCH TO THIS COZY BEACH COTTAGE IN OLD NAPLES.

By Sherry Beck Paprocki

New in Old Naples

Nestled in a neighborhood of recently constructed homes, this two-story beach cottage includes lush tropical landscaping that provides an element of privacy on a public street. A sidewalk and front porch constructed of pavers introduce a few of the textural elements found indoors.





Cottage Comfortable

Interior designer Renee Gaddis was striving for a rustic appeal when she designed this downtown Naples home. The home's owners requested a large open space where visitors could easily mingle. Hardwood flooring, brick pavers and other details rare in Southwest Florida were incorporated during construction.



A Hearty Glow

The mosaic fireplace in the living room of this home is designed to reflect the overall atmosphere of the house. Detailed ceiling features and built-in bookcases give the new space a whitewashed appeal.



A CLIENT FROM SOUTH CAROLINA LOOKING FOR A home in a warmer winter clime found the answer in a partnership between interior designer Renée Gaddis and Calusa Construction. Together they designed a new home that incorporated the textured stylings of an Old Florida place.

The new space, measuring 3,700 square feet, is tucked comfortably into a downtown Naples neighborhood and designed with a master suite, three guest rooms, three and a half baths, and a floor plan that invites easy mingling with visitors. “It was extremely important for our client to have a grand kitchen and open floor plan to allow plenty of spaces for guests to relax or attend a dinner party,” Gaddis explains.

From the kitchen’s brick backsplash to the real hardwood flooring, this home features some unique features that are rare in Southwest Florida. Gaddis says the key to successful completion of this project involved using elements such as wood paneling and a mixture of wood tones to create the rustic, Old Florida atmosphere.

Made to Order

Modern accoutrements give this Old Naples home an updated appeal. Chandeliers and window treatments demonstrate Gaddis’ nod to current trends, while their careful integration does not spoil the home’s Old Florida atmosphere. The customized kitchen, with plenty of seating, flows easily into the great room.

The Perfect Perch

An upstairs landing spot provides a scenic resting space in the center of this home. The room displays one of the dwelling's most unique ceiling fixtures. "All ceiling designs are different," Gaddis says. "We used a mixture of stained and painted trimwork in all areas with varying widths in the tongue and groove details."





“All of the interior detailing sets this house apart from other Naples homes of this caliber,” she explains. “The wood floor was specifically designed for this client and mixes well with the interior furnishings and lighting.”

Other exceptional elements include granite with a leather-like appeal and reclaimed fireclay tiles. Finally, after months of preparation, the new homeowner has settled well into the rustic downtown abode. 🌿

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Renée Gaddis Interiors

BUILDER: Calusa Construction

PHOTOGRAPHER: Matt Steeves

Pool Privacy

The carefully designed home includes a swimming pool (left) that is easily viewable from the home’s surrounding balconies and first-floor lanai. With relaxation and entertainment in mind, the home keeps its Old Florida stylings while implementing modern design for the pool and the comfortable furnishings that surround it.

Past and Present

A barn-style door adds privacy to this ensuite bedroom, while new technology is incorporated throughout. The home’s design minimizes clutter while tasteful choices add to its décor.

CORRECTION

In the April edition of this column, the name of designer and builder Dan F. Sater II and photographer M.E. Parker were misspelled.