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Transitional twist in family's home

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Residents: Bobby and Jessica McRae and children Lundy, 6; Janie, 5; and Mack, 23 months old. Jessica McRae co-owns SwatchPop! and Bobby owns Southern Pro Termite and Pest Control.

Location: Kennesaw

Size: 4,000 square feet, four bedrooms, three-and-a-half baths

Year built/bought: 1993/2013

Architectural style: Traditional

Favorite architectural elements: The vaulted ceiling in the master bath and the beadboard accent on the screened porch ceiling.

Renovations: They removed the existing deck and built a screened-in porch and new deck. The kitchen was gutted of its Formica countertops and island and replaced with custom cabinets, Absolute Black honed granite countertops and stainless steel Whirlpool appliances. The Jacuzzi tub, shower and flooring in the master bathroom were ripped out for a Kohler shower system, a cast-iron pedestal tub from Signature Hardware, tile from Floor & Decor and The Tile Shop, and a chandelier from Ballard Designs. They also renovated the other bathrooms. The hardwood floors on the main level and the carpet in the living room were replaced with refinished and restained hardwoods.

Cost of renovations: About \$100,000

Renovation consultants: Romero's Quality Construction

Interior design consultant: Amy Perrin of SwatchPop!

Interior design style: Transitional

Favorite interior design elements: "I lean toward clean lines, with some contemporary elements," Jessica said. "I love mixing various textures for visual interest." For example, in her office, she used the "Fawn" wallpaper by Walls Republic, which has a textured look of deer skin.

Favorite outdoor feature: The screened porch

Resources: Furniture from CR Laine, Outrageous Interiors, Wayfair, Ballard Designs, Leisure Made, Pier 1 Imports, Cost Plus World Market, Ikea, Target, Overstock.com and HomeGoods. Pillows from Outrageous Interiors, Lacefield Designs, Tonic Living and Etsy. Lighting from West Elm, Outrageous Interiors, Cost Plus World Market, Lumens, Ballard Designs and Ikea. Decor from Outrageous Interiors, Sugarboo & Co., Ballard Designs, Bobo Intriguing Objects and studioQgallery via Etsy. Mirrors from Target. Rugs from Ballard Designs, Target and Mohawk. Fabric from Lewis & Sheron Textiles. Paint by Sherwin-Williams (Accessible Beige in the living room, Aloof Gray in the master bathroom and Alabaster in the kitchen).

Tip: When using a neutral palette, she recommends mixing wood with metal or add materials like stone and jute in order to create more depth and dimension.



By **Marena Galluccio**
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Bursts of blush and teal in an abstract painting by Atlanta's Melissa Payne Baker pops against neutral walls while pink peonies and a deer antler add natural elements to the living room in Jessica McRae's Kennesaw home.

"It's a fun way for me to use color," she said. "It all feels very soft and light."

Artwork and unexpected texture, such as beads displayed on tables and framed paper and fir wood art, bring a contemporary vibe to spaces in the family's renovated traditional Cobb County home.



A chandelier from Ballard Designs adds an orb silhouette above the cast-iron pedestal tub from Signature Hardware in the renovated Kennesaw master bathroom. The walls are painted with Sherwin-Williams' Aloof Gray. CHRISTOPHER OQUENDO WWW.OPHOTOGRAPHY.COM PHOTOS



Jessica McRae's favorite room is the living room, she said, for its earthy and organic feel with pops of black against neutral colors. "This room is where our family gathers and where we relax together in the morning and at night," she said.



Jessica McRae, co-owner of SwatchPop, an online design company, worked with Amy Perrin, one of SwatchPop's interior designers, on the new screened porch. A Target jute rug is layered on a blue rug from Mohawk. A swing from Pier1 Imports adds boho style. "Everyone in the family — adults and kids — love lounging in the hanging macrame swing," McRae said.



A serene spot in a bedroom includes an abstract piece by Melissa Payne Baker, lamps from HomeGoods and fresh hydrangeas.



Bobby and Jessica McRae, with children Lundy, Janie and Mack, purchased their Kennesaw home in 2013 and added the screened porch. Bobby owns SouthernPro Termite and Pest Control and Jessica McRae is co-owner of SwatchPop.



Backless Vivian counter stools, by Gabby and through Outrageous Interiors, pull up to the Absolute Black granite countertops in the renovated kitchen. The metal Hinge Pendant No. 804 chrome pendants are by Quorum and from Lumens. The refrigerator is by Whirlpool, and the cabinets are coated in Alabaster by Sherwin-Williams. The kitchen was renovated by Romero's Quality Construction.



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