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## Hollywood elegance comes alive

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Black-and-white photos of Cary Grant, Audrey Hepburn and Clark Gable welcome guests into Laura and Bill Nay's Cape Cod-style home.

The gallery twists up the curved staircase, while beyond the foyer, a pagoda-style bookshelf inspired by designer Dorothy Draper's original collection serves as another example of the

home's Hollywood Regency decor.

"It was the perfect piece to showcase my ginger jar collection," she said.

Films during the Hollywood's "golden age," including the 1946 film noir "Gilda" featuring Rita Hayworth and Glenn Ford, inspired Laura to bring glamour into her transitional interiors.

"I made sure that every room felt comfortable and elegant, but staying true to my own design style," she said.



### SNAPSHOT

**Residents:** Laura and Bill Nay. Laura owns Laura Nay Interiors and Bill is an investment banker for SunTrust Robinson Humphrey.

**Location:** North Atlanta  
**Size:** 6,600 square feet, five bedrooms, four-and-a-half baths

**Year built/bought:** 1972/2013

**Architectural style:** Cape Cod

**Favorite architectural elements:** The custom Chippendale railing on the porch and interior millwork  
**Renovations:** The kitchen and bathroom went through full renovations. The kitchen cabinets, countertops, light fixtures and wallpaper are new, and a bar was added to the breakfast nook. The bathroom's updates include a new shower, freestanding tub, marble floors, cabinetry, countertops and fixtures.

**Cost of renovations:** \$130,000

**Contractor:** DMC Home Improvement

**Interior design style:** Transitional

**Favorite interior design elements:** The collection of ginger jars and the use of wallpaper, such as Bradbury & Bradbury's "Persian Star" pattern on the dining room ceiling. "It's very whimsical, and it's romantic in there when the light fixture shines on the ceiling and the stars are sparkling," she said.

**Favorite outdoor feature:** The screened sun porch that overlooks the backyard and pool on the 3-acre property.

**Resources:** Furniture from Acquisitions, RH, Drexel, Hickory Chair, Wayfair, Baker, Caracole, Nandina Home & Design, Mathews Furniture + Design, Dixon Rye, Councill, Theodore Alexander, HomeGoods and 14th Street Antiques & Modern Home. Wallpaper by Schumacher and Bradbury & Bradbury. Lighting from Circa Lighting. Fabric by Kravet. Paint by Benjamin Moore and Sherwin-Williams. Bedding from Nandina Home & Design and Peacock Alley. Wallcoverings by Phillip Jeffries. Art by Chris Denovan.

**Tip:** For a classic look, use a black-and-white color scheme. In the master bedroom's sitting room, the floors, furniture, trim and chevron-patterned dresser blend those colors. The marble floor was inspired by the famed lobby in Claridge's, a luxury London hotel.



The master bath went through a total renovation by DMC Home Improvement. It features a freestanding tub, shower and heated Carrara marble herringbone floors. The chandelier is from Circa Lighting. "The bathroom is just my happy place," Laura Nay said. [www.ophotography.com](http://www.ophotography.com) PHOTOS



DMC Home Improvement renovated the kitchen, which includes an island and Silestone countertops in Eternal Calacatta Gold with a suede finish. The pair of blue upholstered chairs are from Ballard Designs and the Hicks pendants by Thomas O'Brien from Circa Lighting.



Laura Nay, owner of Laura Nay Interiors, moved into her Atlanta home with her husband, Bill, in 2013. Mia, a friend's Maltese papillon mix, often visits.



Laura and Bill Nay's dining room shines with gold accents along the millwork and starry Bradbury & Bradbury wallpaper on the ceiling. The dining table from Barbara Barry's collection for Baker is surrounded by dining chairs from 14th Street Antiques & Modern Home that were refinished and reupholstered with Kravet fabric.



A pagoda cabinet by Drexel is filled with blue-and-white ginger jars, which Laura Nay has collected for six years. "It's constantly evolving," Laura said. She mixes reproductions and antiques and hunts for them at Scott Antique Market, antique stores, estate sales and online auctions. "I want ones that have unique shapes to create interest," Laura said.



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