



From top: The home sits at the center of Martis Camp, an upscale enclave located between historic Truckee and North Lake Tahoe; elegant custom built-in cabinetry keeps the entry clear of clutter while giving the owner's art collection its due.

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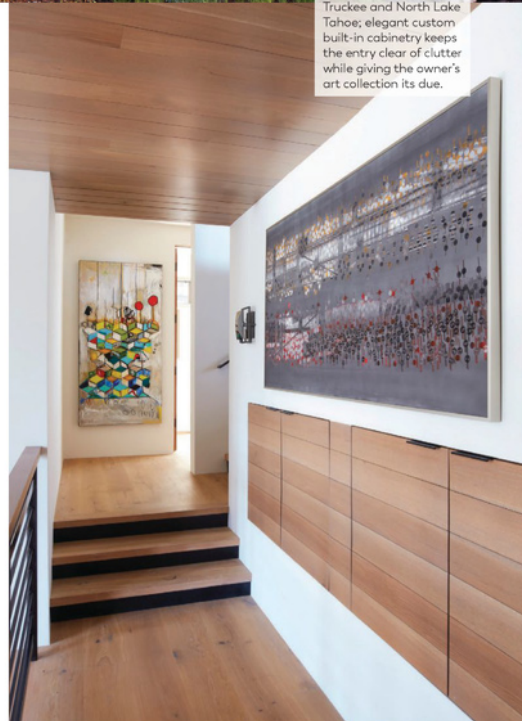
A family's Lake Tahoe home becomes a sophisticated sanctuary with enough room for après-ski fun.

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Bear and antler decor were off limits for a new home in Lake Tahoe's upscale Martis Camp, located between historic Truckee and North Lake Tahoe. San Francisco-based interior designer Tineke Triggs was tasked to dream up a contemporary interior to complement the modern architecture by Clare Walton of Walton Architecture + Engineering. Triggs, a native of Northern California with Dutch roots, has a knack for combining playful details with luxe interiors—just what the clients ordered. "My first thought was how to bring in the element of surprise and comfort and coziness using color and texture in this clean and linear home," says Triggs.

Up for consideration was how the Marin-based family of four

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Clockwise from left: San Francisco-based interior designer Tineke Triggs; a Christopher Boots Phasmida chandelier hovers over a Cliff Young dining table and chairs; fur pillows in neutral hues complement the green landscape.



...CONTINUED would use their second home. "They often entertain friends and family for ski weekends," notes Triggs. With that in mind, figuring out how to make the most of the four available bedrooms was at the top of her to-do list. The solution? Convert several rooms to serve dual purposes. Triggs' signature design—a platform bed that easily shifts from two twins with a center tray to a king bed with two side trays—gives one of the guest rooms the flexibility to welcome couples or kids.

The bunk room features two sets of full-size beds—one side for the daughter and her friends; the other for the son and his—separated by bright Pendleton blanket-inspired curtains. Triggs custom-designed steps with hidden storage between the two bunks, rather than settling for ladders. White custom-made lockers with leather handles from Spinneybeck top off the luxe camp vibe.

Another challenge was warming up the modern architecture while keeping typical Tahoe decor at bay. Stunning mountain views through tall windows inspired the color palette. "Brown is a great complement to the mountains," says Triggs, who designed a large sectional in dark-chocolate wool for the home's cozy base. Throw pillows stitched in a bark pattern nod to the woody outdoors without being kitschy.

Durability was key as Triggs and team considered the rugged ski gear that most guests would be hauling indoors. The wool sofa, cowhide kitchen stools, Cliff Young eco-leather dining chairs and a Gear concrete cocktail table from Stone Yard were the answer to averting CONTINUED...



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...CONTINUED potential wear and tear, while faux furs and metallics showed off a more glamorous side. "Fur is so cozy; it screams winter," says Triggs. The faux bois console from Emporium Home features inlaid brass in what looks like wood grain. "The playful, glammy interjections in the house are subtle without being overstated," adds Triggs.

Antlers may have been off the table as a design feature, but Triggs snuck in what could be reminiscent of them in the dining room's Christopher Boots Phasmida chandelier. "The lighting ends up being like art," says Triggs. "We wanted something that wouldn't block the views through the house, but offered an architectural element." In the kitchen, Christopher Boots ORP pendants hang unevenly—on purpose—from a high ceiling and their LED lights change color, just one example of quirkiness the owners were willing to embrace. "You can program them to the music, and we set them in red, white and blue for the Fourth of July," laughs Triggs.

With two preteen kids, a game room on the top floor was a must. "I grew up going



Clockwise from top: A custom wool sectional keeps the home family-friendly; Christopher Boots ORP pendants change color and can be set to music; reupholstered Four Hands chairs complement an Ashleigh Summer painting in the game room.



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Clockwise from top left: An acrylic painting by urban muralist James Rizzi graces the master bedroom; the master bath mixes marble and bleached walnut throughout; Triggs' signature design, a platform bed that easily shifts from two twins to a king bed, provides a flexible sleeping area.



...CONTINUED to Tahoe," says Triggs, "and you get snowed in and you play games and you talk about your day on the mountain." She designed a game table to look like puzzle pieces in a custom wood finish by Taracea, perfect for the family that plays together. Four Hands chairs reupholstered in Pindler fabric hint to the warm blue in the painting that overlooks them by Ashleigh Sumner, a Los Angeles-based artist. The owners elected Tara Schon and Julie Zener of Zener Schon Gallery to furnish the walls with edgy, urban works over typical cabin art—a theme that clearly translated from art to furniture to decor to architecture.

"I spent a lot of time getting to know the clients as a family," says Triggs. "They have a great sense of humor and are all really outdoorsy, so everything we did was playful, casual and edgy. All pieces have a depth and soul to them." ■