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DESCRIBE THE FEATURED PROJECT.

Brothers Patrick Cunningham, AIA, and Michael Cunningham, GC, owner-operators of C&C Partners Design Build Firm, designed and built this five-bedroom, six-bath, contemporary Craftsman home. The 4,300-square-foot dwelling presented the unique challenge of fitting numerous functional spaces together while still feeling open and expansive. Each bedroom has its own bath, and the home also includes a formal living room, formal dining room, great room, office, large upstairs landing, study space and upstairs lounge.

CK Design Studio provided the interior design, using a simple white palette that feels warm and inviting and a few bold color choices to make it pop. The kitchen features soapstone countertops and a backsplash of custom Thassos marble chevron. The decorative inset is a water jet mosaic, a stunning blend of three natural stones bordered by a brass metal trim that coordinates with the custom hood and light fixtures. The island is topped with Calacatta Michelangelo marble.

The naturally aged, white oak hardwood floors flow throughout the house, transitioning to the two colors of exterior loggia porcelain tile—one of which was hand-cut into 1-inch strips to create a modern take on the traditional checkered floor. Sliding doors open to the transitional space that contains seating, a

fireplace and a flat-screen TV.

The master bath was designed around the Victoria + Albert tub, set on a stone floor arranged in a herringbone pattern trimmed with metal and surrounded by a patterned stone custom-created by CK Design, then cut and set by the fabricator. That same pattern appears again as the backsplash, done in solid white for a clean, minimal look on the sink wall. The countertops are Calacatta marble with minimal veining, giving the appearance of layered glass.

IN WHAT WAYS DO OUR HOMES IMPACT OUR MENTAL HEALTH?

Due to the pandemic, we are all spending more time at home, and there are some fundamental basics that can have a positive or negative effect on mental health. Proper organization of space is key to a good outlook—from how it is designed to the state in which it is maintained. A light, open floor plan kept clean and clutter-free is best. Color influences our emotional well-being, and a soothing palette can help elevate moods and reduce stress.

A home's exterior spaces are more important than ever, since going into your yard may be your main daily outdoor experience. A seating area, some greenery and a water feature can offer the calming effect of nature.