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Residential Tile Design: Large

After Irma destroyed their winter home in the Ocean Reef Club—this client and designer escaped the horrific ruins to take a refreshing bike ride along the shore. And the inspiration to transform a traditional Florida home into a refreshed, fun and open space for entertaining with family was born.



The original 5,000 square foot house was done in a traditional French Provincial and Tuscan style—and ultimately the small windows and closed off, dark rooms did not provide any space for entertaining with family and friends.

“The family wanted to move in as quickly as possible, so time was the biggest challenge for this \$2 million+ project,” states award-winning Interior Designer. “Overall, it was an amazing experience—trying to raise the pool and even designing the bedrooms to suit the personalities of the adult children for when they come to visit. It made me so happy that they loved the bright and sunny personalized spaces we created for them. They already were able to entertain with friends and open their home to family and that means everything.”

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A Living Kitchen Opens to the Outdoors

The kitchen and living room spaces were connected to the exterior so there was as much open space for family and friends to spend time together. The kitchen is now inviting and has space for people to congregate with room for the overflow to go outside. The porcelain counter is Laminam and the floor is Unicomstarker. The faucet is Kohler, globe pendants from Tech Lighting and range from Wolf. The open white porcelain surfaces are grounded with wood décor cabinetry that was custom-made in the U.S. and accents of blue connect the home to its ocean vibe.



Exterior Transformed

The design team raised the pool from a lower ground level to the first level so that family and friends could enjoy the infinity pool views. Sunbrella, Kravet, Hubberton Forge and Henry Hall were a few of the brands used in the exterior furnishes made to withstand Florida's weather while providing a scenic and relaxing spot to entertain. "So many outdoor areas in Florida are screened in". "It feels so caged in—I wanted the spaces outside to be open and connected with the interiors. For a very traditional Florida neighborhood, this home is literally a breath of fresh air. It's turquoise and yellow—still sunny and very Floridian, but it's also a refreshed, fun look that celebrates U.S. craftsmanship".

Tile as a Solution

Since tile stands up to fire and water—it was a main design element installed everywhere from master bath to kitchen. Given the speed of the makeover which was started in January 2018—five crews of tile installers worked around the clock to complete the home in time for the family to move back in December of 2018. The remaining interiors were finished in early 2019.

