





This kitchen features two custom islands, one for storage / prep and one for entertaining, and the breakfast nook overlooking the garden is the homeowner's favorite morning view.

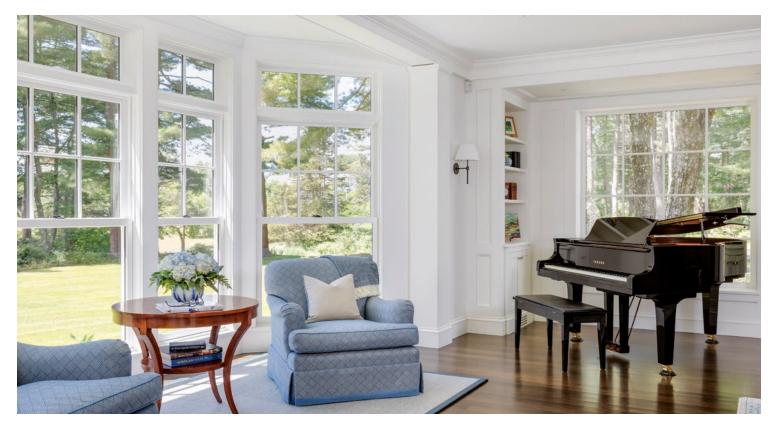
"The interior design, like the home's exterior, was intended to be classic and timeless, often a primary design objective at Mellowes & Paladino," says Emily Coutu, Managing Principal at Mellowes & Paladino Architects.

The goal of the architect and the owners was to achieve a versatile open floor plan, maximizing the views and light.

Barbara Kotzen of Kotzen Interiors harnessed the light, airy atmosphere, washing the space in a clean, beachy color palette. The kitchen, equipped with two islands, is light and bright with touches of watery blue.

"The traditional dark floors, detailed millwork with light colors and pops of color from the artwork, it's all really quite striking," says Eric Lien.

An intimate breakfast nook tucked into a large bay of windows was a special request from the homeowners, inspired by one that was in their former home. It's one of two that flank the front door of the house, reinforcing the symmetry of the structure—and perfect for taking in the scenery over morning coffee.



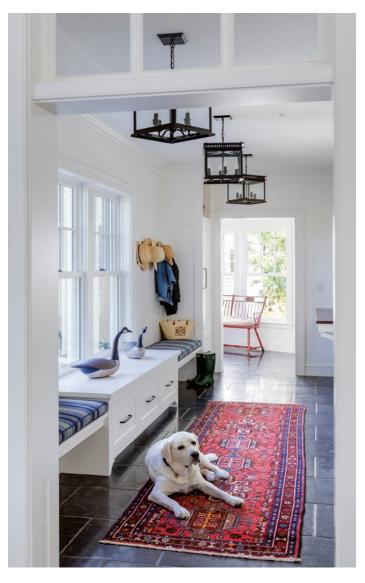


We had it all; a pastoral site with panoramic views, an enthusiastic and engaged client, and an outstanding team.

Success was inevitable, and we all love the result.

-Bob Paladino











Augmenting the home's traditional interior details are modern features like a built-in pocketing dog gates and a golf simulator that fits seamlessly under the rafters above the garage, thanks to the gambrel roof. The homeowners, dog lovers and avid golfers, put their trust into the design and construction teams to tailor their home with features that fit their lifestyle.

Kim Turner, Principal at KD Turner Design Landscape Architecture, designed the surrounding landscape and collaborated with the team to ensure that the house was perched just high enough to capture each view.

"Bob [Paladino] is very easy to work with," says Turner. We offered different perspectives and really married the landscape and the architecture together."



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The natural fieldstone walking path is the perfect mix of old and new. Stones from the original home were blended in, creating a traditional New England vision. It is a peaceful oasis leading directly to the pool and backyard views.



A custom Dutch Door at the rear of the home opens to a covered terrace with recessed heating elements in the ceiling for chilly fall nights. A path constructed from natural granite stones found onsite winds through ornamental trees, shrubs, meadow grass, and a perennial garden to a kidney-shaped pool, nestled amongst surrounding woodlands.

"We mixed old with new here and that was the theme of the whole project," Turner says.

There is also play between formal and informal, as the landscape transforms from the front of the house to the rear.

The dream was to design and build a house that drew inspiration from the pastoral site on which it sits, as well as the broader New England architectural context that surrounds it. The result is an instant classic.