



STAINLESS-STEEL
ACCENTS AND
LUSTROUS
SURFACES
CAST A
SHINING
EXAMPLE OF
MODERN
DESIGN

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CONTEMPORARY MATTERS

A coral-stone and stainless-steel fireplace created by interior designer Cecil Hayes establishes the focal point of the living room. In the foyer, facing, stainless-steel tiles and gray granite inserts were laid into the flooring, echoing the hues in a Michael O console.



Embossed silver snakeskin from Edelman Leather covers the chairs in the dining room, their metallic sheen flirting with the mica Maya Romanoff wall covering. A chandelier from Carriage House illuminates the gleaming scene.



When interior designer Cecil Hayes walked into this country club residence that she was asked to transform for long-standing clients, she posed an important question: "How do I create a collection of rooms that will draw in the owners?" Her answer resulted in a home filled with highly livable spaces in a composite of sumptuously sleek materials.



“We needed a house in which people would feel comfortable,” the homeowner says, “but we also wanted a special place that would reflect our contemporary sensibilities.”

Hayes mixed wood tones with stainless steel to create unusual focal points. The designer, who also fashioned a residence of the owner's mother using black granite for flooring, revisited the same material as the starting point for this home's modern backdrop. A neutral palette allows the couple's contemporary art collection to pop with color.

A bold pattern in the flooring of the foyer sets the tone for the design. Black granite flows from here into the contemporary living room, where wood-paneled sconces accentuate the room's height. A stone and stainless-steel fireplace provides a focal point overlooking a comfortable sitting area for guests.

The dining room offers a lively space for entertaining with silver snakeskin chairs and sparkling mica wall covering. "I put mica in the main rooms because it has texture and pizzazz," Hayes says.



Hayes custom designed a commanding paneled wall around a flat-screen TV in the family room. "Mia" chairs from the designers' Mikala furniture line are covered in chenille, left, and contrast with a patterned Gershon area rug. A console also custom designed by Hayes, right, adds angular beauty to its corner of the room.





Pizzazz appears in a different form in the family room, where a colorful area rug and armchairs from Hayes' furniture collection instill a whimsical feel. "I love customizing," Hayes says. "I try to come up with unique elements that you won't see anywhere else."

The husband, a trained chef, collaborated with Poggenpohl to create his dream kitchen. Hayes dressed the state-of-the-art room with sophisticated surfaces, including red back-painted glass that frames the backsplash.

In the master bedroom, soft leather in pewter and red heightens the textural richness of the interior. In this room and the adjoining bath, Hayes custom designed the cabinetry, as well as the upholstered wall above the bed.

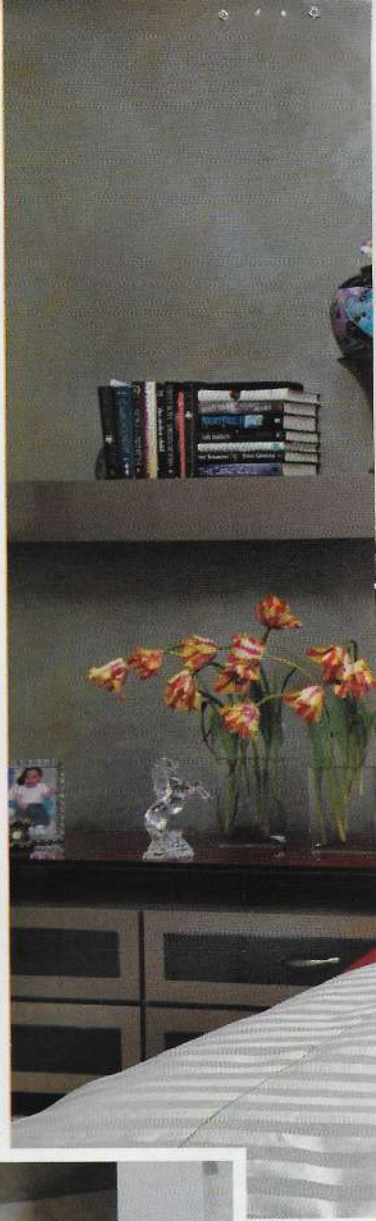
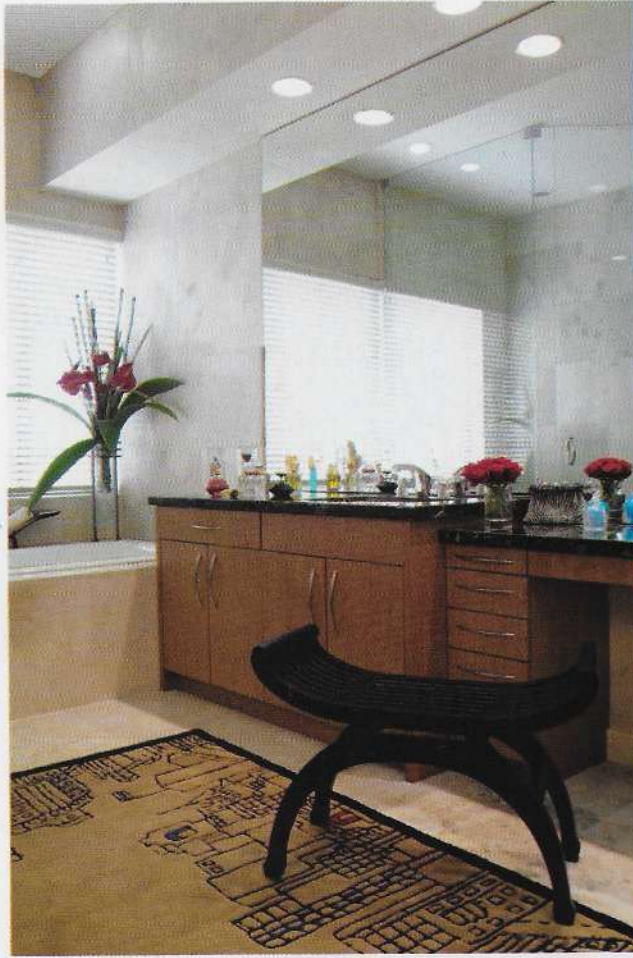
"Cecil knows how to bring things together in a truly unique and appealing way," the husband says of the amplified aesthetic created by the designer.



Möbelform counter stools covered in soft red leather sit around a stainless-steel island in the kitchen, a pert complement to the red-painted accents on the backsplash. Cabinetry by Poggenpohl magnifies the modernity of the space.



"I love headboards,"
Hayes says of the
master bedroom's
faux-metallic
leather headboard
that melds with the
upholstered wall
panels. "The bed
should always take
center stage, so I
design ones that say,
'Hey, I'm here.'"





Hayes' use of texture is seen here in luxurious Jane Shelton fabric from Jerry Pair on the master bedroom's accent pillows, while soft red leather covers a chair and ottoman in the room's relaxing sitting area, bottom left. An Asian-inspired stool makes a statement in the master bath, top left.

SOURCES

Foyer

Doors and flooring - Custom designed by Cecil's Designers Unlimited, Coconut Creek, FL

Console - Michael O, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Living Room

Armchair and cocktail table - Carriage House, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Fabric - Beacon Hill, Fabrics Collection, The Robert Allen/Beacon Hill Showroom, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Chair and ottoman - Judith Norman Collection, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Fabric - Kravet, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Round occasional table - Casa Decó, Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Fireplace and columns - Custom designed by Cecil's Designers Unlimited, Coconut Creek, FL

Area rug - Gershon Carpet, Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Dining Room

Table - Michael O, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Chairs - E.G. Cody, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Fabric - Edelman Leather, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Chandelier - Carriage House, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Family Room

Sofa - Carriage House, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Fabric - Edelman Leather, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Lounge chairs and console - Mikala, Inc., Coconut Creek, FL

Fabric - Windows of the World, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Cocktail table - Michael O, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Television wall - Custom designed by Cecil's Designers Unlimited, Coconut Creek, FL

Area rug - Gershon Carpet, Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Kitchen

Cabinetry, island and countertops -

PoggenPohl U.S., Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Backsplash - Triple D Marble & Granite Enterprises, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Counter stools - Möbelform, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Master Bath

Cabinetry and mirror work - Custom designed by Cecil's Designers Unlimited, Coconut Creek, FL

Countertop - Triple D Marble & Granite Enterprises, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Stool - Petal Pushers LLC, Boca Raton, FL

Shades - Hunter Douglas, Hartlines By Valerie, Deerfield Beach, FL

Master Bedroom

Bed, upholstered wall, shelving, bedside tables and cabinetry - Custom designed and manufactured by Cecil's Designers Unlimited, Coconut Creek, FL

Bed covering - Osborne & Little, Design West, Inc., DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Occasional table - Michael O, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Shades - Hunter Douglas, Hartlines By Valerie, Deerfield Beach, FL

Carpet - Flor Source, Coconut Creek, FL

Throughout

Flooring - Triple D Marble & Granite Enterprises, Fort Lauderdale, FL ■