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teal accents offers the comfort of a fireplace with a titanium-colored glass inside.

Local artist Liz Hoffman was commissioned for the oil painting depicting a sunset view of the Batiquitos Lagoon that hangs on the wall. And a grand 18th-century Italian buffet on the other side of the great room is both functional and a piece of art.

Patterson's favorite aspect of the remodel was creating a chef's kitchen equipped with custom two-tone kitchen cabinetry with low-emissions coatings and a five-stage reverse osmosis water filtration system for the sink. Seashell mosaic tiles by EliteTile were used for the backsplash and Pop-out La Grange electrical outlets were installed to create a seamless look along the backsplash.

Vertical wine racks and a petite, flush-mounted crystal chandelier in the pantry are practical and aesthetic.

"This is a true entertainer's kitchen," Patterson explained. "The configuration was changed entirely to accommodate serious cooking revolving around an island with a waterfall Taj Mahal quartzite countertop and seating for four people beneath an eight-by-six-foot skylight."

To keep the whole house connected, an Eero Home Wi-Fi system was installed with three hot spots.

A third staircase ascends from the great room to a den that occupies the entire top floor.

The den includes a wet bar with a Carrara marble countertop and antique mirror subway tiles laid in a herringbone pattern. A compact oval bar sink features a brushed brass faucet with dual functionality (reverse osmosis filter and regular tap water). Cabinets were painted a medium gray color to contrast with the light-gray walls and are accented with modern bronze pulls and knobs.

The couple spent a weekend working on an accent wall in the den, creating a geometric



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The coat closet in the foyer was converted into a niche, again repeating the arches of the home's windows. Most walls are painted gray, with a darker hue emphasizing the nook.

design with copper tape to deliver a visual punch. Equally stunning is the den's powder room featuring a backlit floating onyx vanity and an LED backlit mirror in an arched niche that mimics the arched

windows throughout the home.

Patterson describes the home décor as eclectic with neutral grays layered with taupe and white tones.

"I call it 'modern glam meets beachy chic,'" she said. "I am

combining grays with soft tones mixed with metals and touches of bling."

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