



For cape cod curb appeal, Dietrich used a shake and stacked stone for the exterior. Matt Hoen of Outdoor Renovations Landscape & Nursery in Underwood, Minn., created the stamped concrete and paver patios leading down to the lake.



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As a realtor for Park Co. Realtors in Fargo, Jan Christensen's motto is "Love where you live!" To create her own Ottertail oasis, Jan and her husband Steffen Christensen contacted a builder known for building homes around the view. Constructed on the lot of their original cottage, Dietrich Homes framed in a postcard view and created a home tailor-made for entertaining and family.

OTTERTAIL LAKE, MINN.

3,228 SQUARE FEET + BONUS
ROOM

5 BEDROOMS

4 BATHROOMS

LOT SIZE: 150 FEET

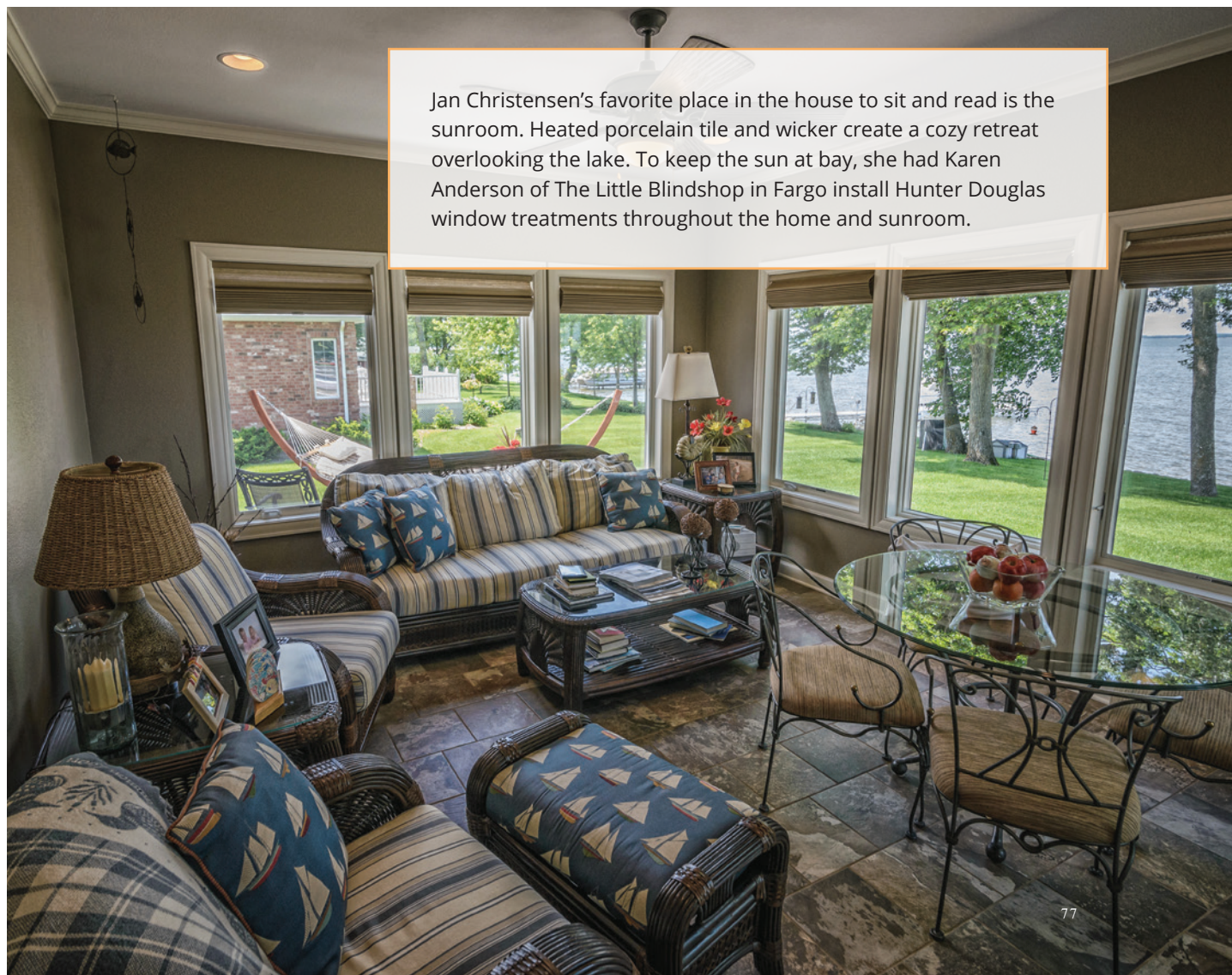


Spacious windows frame a perfect view of the lake from the great room. A marble fireplace surround from Spalding Stone and a mantel by Ira's Custom Cabinets create an inviting focal point. Corbel details, 17-foot ceilings, lighting from Valley Lights and porcelain tile from Carpet World give the space a regal yet beachfront feel.



"I wanted it open and I wanted the lake to be my artwork. Just about every room that's important to me has a wonderful view of the lake."

- Jan Christensen, homeowner



Jan Christensen's favorite place in the house to sit and read is the sunroom. Heated porcelain tile and wicker create a cozy retreat overlooking the lake. To keep the sun at bay, she had Karen Anderson of The Little Blindshop in Fargo install Hunter Douglas window treatments throughout the home and sunroom.



Cabinetry work was completed by Ira's Custom Cabinets. Distressed Oak Dining Table by Jan's cousin, Maynard Thorseth

For trim work and cabinetry, Christensen wanted to stay away from stark whites, instead opting for a softer Sherwin Williams Ivory Lace paint. Choosing a bold granite with two other complementing granites added necessary contrast to the 15-foot island. Entertaining is made easy with a gas range, wine fridge, beverage fridge and a cabinet wrapped Thermidore. Spice pull outs, double sink, prep sink, pantry and ample cabinet space complete this dream kitchen.



Just off the great room is the master suite complete with a personal office space, gorgeous lake views and tray ceilings.



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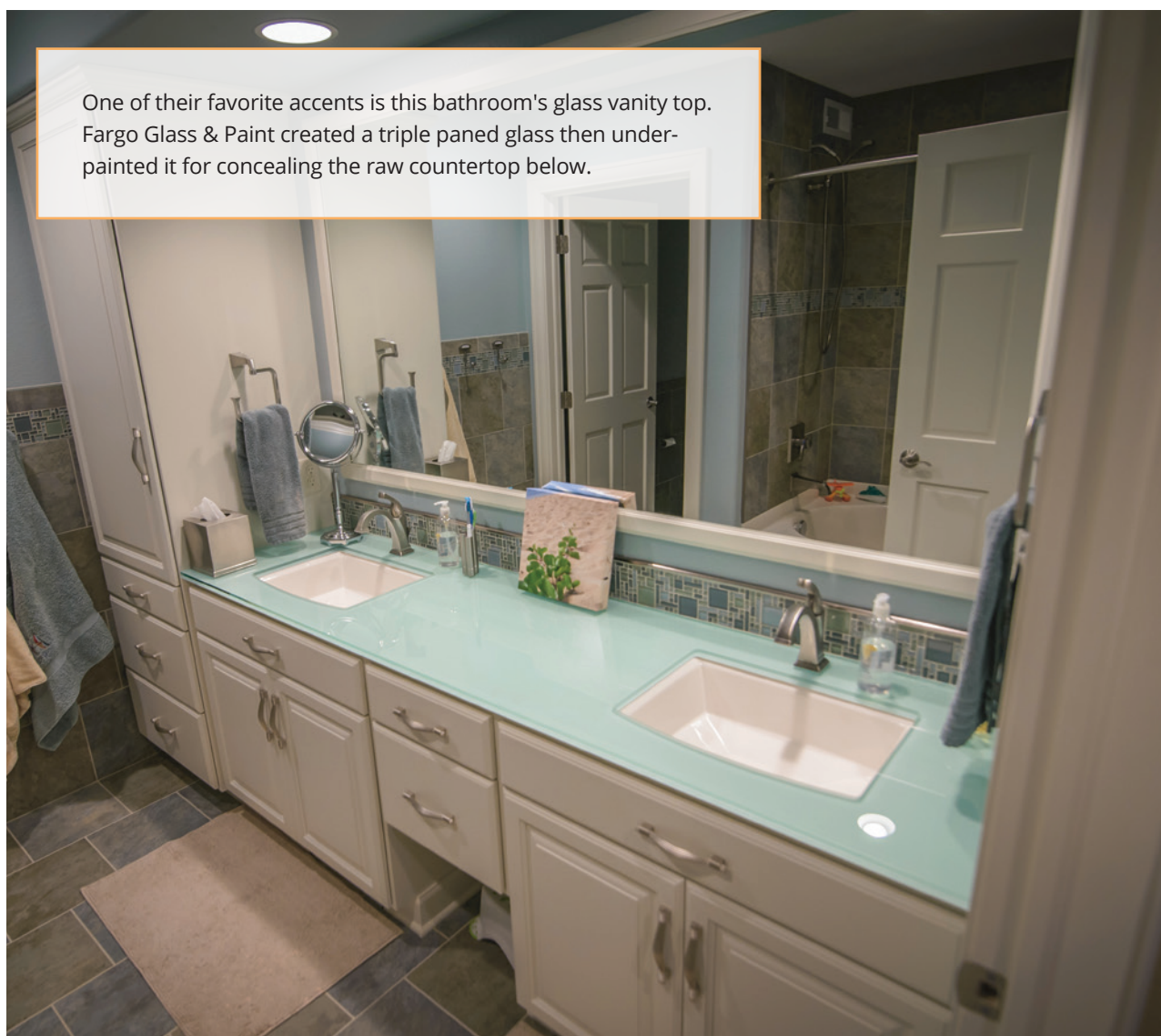
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The Christensens still display a framed tribute to their previous cottage. "We spent many wonderful years here, but water seeping under our foundation was causing problems. We owned this empty lot next door, so we tore down this cottage and rebuilt just under three years ago. Our goal was to build a home that we could retire to if we wanted. My husband's still actively working in Fargo as a fertility doctor at Sanford and I am a realtor at Park Company," Christensen said.





At the peak of the home, the Christensens have a room devoted to the grandkids. Play areas, an entertainment wall and four twin beds complete with grandma's quilts make for a comforting and fun space.



One of their favorite accents is this bathroom's glass vanity top. Fargo Glass & Paint created a triple paned glass then under-painted it for concealing the raw countertop below.

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