



This sprawling Rancher's large, open kitchen and family room are intended to welcome a crowd! Set on a quiet Hillsborough cul-de-sac, the one-acre lot ascends up the hillside, with a sport court and ADU along the way. These homeowners were ahead of the 'green movement' curve, adding energy-efficient solar panels, artificial turf, tankless water heaters and double-paned windows.

Once inside the front door, your senses will delight with all of the visual stimulation. Mounted on the wall to the right is a silver Holy Week processional scepter from South America and a Thai-inspired lacquered cabinet intended as a document holder on the left. The formal dining room has a beautiful mahogany table with seating for ten and a matching marble-topped sideboard. Hanging above is an airy six-arm Murano glass chandelier. The fabric covered walls show off an outstanding collection of Asian figurines and artifacts displayed on floating shelves.

Take a peek around the corner to see this jewel of a guest powder room. The walls are covered with tonal red striated wallpaper with gold medallion stamps called "Sakura Haiku" from Osborne and Little. The "Shanti" four drawer chest from Tansu Designs was modified to accommodate a unique vessel sink, accenting the warm metallic color in the wallpaper. An ornate carved antique mirror and shelf hangs above, a treasure from the homeowner's parents. Continue to glance up and notice the beautiful 'Radnor' bowl light fixture with spear cut glass by famed British lighting company, Vaughan Designs.

The kitchen's tray ceiling adds depth and dimension, beautifully framing the large walnut island by SPEKVA from Denmark. Its unique shape was designed to optimize its functionality. The white bespoke cabinetry from Huggy Bear in Oregon and green Costa Esmeralda granite countertops from Pietra Fina really pop with a fun glass



tile backsplash in Kermit green and blue called "Raindrops" by Scandinavia. These bright colors were chosen by the homeowner as they reminded her of her favorite coffee mug! All of the appliances are Thermador, including side-by-side refrigerator/freezer, complete with a built-in hydration station, a gas cooktop and separate wall-mount ovens. The abundant counterspace, recessed cookbook shelves and integrated appliances make this a perfect environment for a home chef and family that like to entertain.

The formal living room is traditionally furnished and has multiple seating areas for intimate conversation while listening to music from the baby grand piano and enjoying luscious views of the garden beyond the French doors. The high-profile ceiling matches that of the foyer and was an enormous project undertaken mid-way through the remodel, the result of an idea presented by the designer during the weekly construction meeting.

Exiting the family room to the patio, you'll feel like you're in Lake Tahoe! The fountain, a family favorite, was inspired by the homeowner's parents' residence in San Francisco. The terraced hillside leads you up to an in-ground trampoline surrounded by artificial turf, and a fenced-in sport court. At the top of the property, tucked in a grove of mature trees, is a two story ADU, complete with a large open living space on the first level and bedrooms down below. Tall wood-clad ceilings add to the sense of space and windows around the perimeter let in lots of natural light. The kitchen island and table in front of the striking stone fireplace offer ample seating for a large group.



# SPOTLIGHT THE TALENT

## Share your greatest success:

Our greatest success has been this phenomenal business we started together over 27 years ago. It has grown mostly word-of-mouth from just the two of us into the talented, synergistic team of 16 architects and designers we have today. We get to work on some of the most exciting residential projects in the Bay Area, and we're doing this while providing work/life balance and best-in-class benefits to our team. Oh, and our office is only half a mile from our Burlingame home, which is pretty sweet!

## What inspires you?

We find lots of inspiration through art and architecture, both historic and contemporary, and through our travels as well, but above all else, what inspires us most is being out in nature. Losing yourself to a day hiking in the Sierras or out in the waves at Pleasure Point does wonders for creativity and clarity.

## How do you include the client in your creative process?

Our process is very collaborative. From our initial floor-plan brainstorming sessions to "touch-an- feel" trays containing interior finishes, we involve our clients every step of the way. We find this is the most effective way to get to know them, their aesthetic preferences, and how they like to live in their homes.

## Why SolMateo?

We are thrilled to support such a great cause within our community. Psychological well-being is a critical part of our overall health, enabling us to lead productive, happy lives. The stresses of the pandemic really drove this point home for many people, but there is still so much work to be done to increase awareness about mental health.

—TRG Architecture + Interior Design,  
Leslie Lamarre and Randy Grange



### STAGING

Christian Huebner Interiors, Inc.

### VENDORS

I Dream of Sweets  
Frank's Texas BBQ

### FLORAL DESIGN

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### HOME RESOURCES

**Architect:** (ADU) TRG Architecture + Interior Design  
**Builder:** Wilkinson Preservation  
**Kitchen Designer (Main House):** Christian Huebner Interiors, Inc.

## A one-on-one with the homeowner reveals...

### What makes you smile about the kitchen?

"The large kitchen island and colorful backsplash."

### What pearls of wisdom would you share with others who are about to remodel?

"Plan everything in advance and then execute. We actually started and ended on time!"

### Do you have any 'oh, no—we should have' regrets?

"Surprisingly, we do not. But we are very proud of the 'green' features we added."

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