

Nestled in the heart of this classic Arizona home, the picturesque poolscape is a focal point, tucked away in a private courtyard enclosed on three sides. Renowned pool designer and contractor **Dan Goss** is known for his skill in creating vibrant and unique pool designs. With a talent for transforming pool surfaces into works of art, **Goss** approaches each project like a creative genius, experimenting with colors and reflections to achieve stunning and one-of-a-kind results. In his hands, each pool becomes a distinct masterpiece, showcasing his innovative and imaginative approach to pool design.



Refresh

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Re-designed by architect **Susan Biegner** of **Biegner-Murff Architects**, constructed by **Joe Costello** of **Stonecreek Building Co.**, interiors by **Terese Messina** and landscape architecture by **Jeff Berghoff**, this special renovation proved to be an artistic, unfeigned ode to a era gone by.

A reflection of the allure that has drawn many to the Valley for generations, this home echoes the seductive sentiments of a special place in time. Its compound-like structure resonates with a touch of nostalgia - one that is a bit reminiscent of the peacefulness you'd feel as you listen to an old **Stevie Nicks** song.

Refreshingly *not* a new build, this home has been restored by its new owners with an earnest effort to preserve its original character. Their appreciation for clean lines, organic and streamlined forms shines through in every detail. Tucked away in a neighborhood which remains somewhat of a hidden gem within a coveted corridor between the north slope of Camelback and south side of Mummy Mountain, the property is cradled within an area which is filled with some of the most wondrous wildlife and lush desert landscape in town. It's off the beaten paths and is thankfully less traveled by anyone other than those who happily call it their home.

When the privilege to feature this exceptional property came to us, our enthusiasm was reignited for those who are willing to go above and beyond, sparing no effort or expense to ensure perfecting the past. This home stands as a testament to such dedication - one of passion and commitment to excellence.



A smooth Venetian plaster contrasts the surrounding raked plaster walls. Courtesy of **Hopper Finishes**. A mustard **Liaigre** chair from **John Brooks** which is upholstered in a rustic linen contrasts nicely with the soft curves of this **Verellen** sofa. **Verellen** is available through Trade Professionals at **Alexander Sinclair**.



Typical of mid-century ranch-style homes made of concrete and stucco which were built in the 50's throughout Paradise Valley and surrounding areas, this home came with unique quirks and very unconventional details. However, it offered exactly what its new owners were looking for style-wise and, more importantly, it was exactly where they wanted to be. The original home had a charm that resonates a touch of nostalgia with irreplaceable locale.

For the interiors, designer **Terese Messina** collaborated with the owners to create a neutral palette with rich textures that told a story of their life and lifestyle. Bold accents of terra cotta, gold, olive, and blue added energy to the space. The overall aesthetic aims to evoke a vacation vibe, blending elements of Cabo, Santorini, and the high desert with a Mediterranean touch. Throughout the interior and exterior spaces, an incorporation of global influences like raffia lighting, kilim benches, and African masks, lends itself to a bohemian, well-traveled feel. Elements like the off-center fireplace and ornately carved doors pay homage to Arizona's architectural heritage, adding a touch of Old West dazzle.

(Above and above right) Live edge wood tables from **Noir** are available through **Bungalow** in Scottsdale and nicely pair with an oversized **Kreiss** sectional. Ethnic-inspired area rugs from **David E. Adler Fine Rugs** anchor the room with an added touch of geometry. A personal collection of travel souvenirs, artwork and accessories hang throughout the spaces, both on the inside and out.

(Right) Artistic elements like this striking geometric wallpaper by **Kelley Wearstler** for **Lee Jofa** shown in the guest powder room adds a bit of whimsy to the home.





The house is situated on an irregular lot which resulted in an unconventional layout. Architect **Susan Biegner** and builder **Joe Costello** worked on simplifying the architectural elements to create a better connection between the house and its surroundings. They cleaned up soffits, exposed ceiling beams, enlarged windows, and added a new patio by opening up the west wall which all had a significant impact on transforming the spaces.

(Shown above) While the original **Poliform** kitchen remained untouched due to its pristine condition, the rest of the house underwent a thoughtful renovation that respected its original character. The renovation process emphasized the importance of preserving the house's unique qualities and imperfections which were all key to the end result.



A striking and sculptural **Apparatus** light fixture hangs elegantly above the custom **Taracea** table which is available through Trade Professionals at **Alexander Sinclair**. The wood sculpture is from **Valerianne** of **Scottsdale**. **Mark Alexander** sheers adorn the windows, allowing the stunning views to take center stage and infuse the space with natural light. Available through Trade Professionals at **Town Studio**.

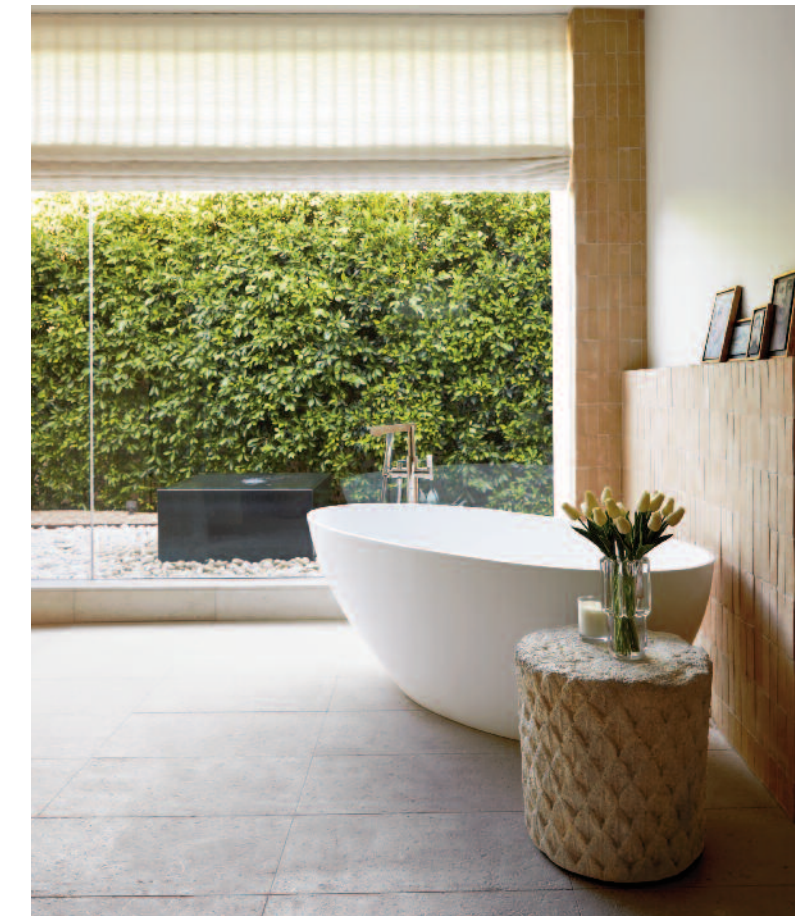


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While this home posed unique challenges in blending the old with the new, it provided a welcome departure for contractor **Joe Costello**, who typically focuses on the construction of some of the Valley's most technologically-advanced and challenging private residences.

His team not only had the requisite experience, talent and skill to have undertaken such a project as this, but they also had a deep appreciation for the quintessential Arizona lifestyle and a collective, soulful perspective that helped breath new life into this home. Architect **Susan Biegner**, whose portfolio speaks volumes about her commitment to a purist approach perhaps says it best. "This was a team effort in the truest sense". She emphasizes that the unique strength of this project lies in the collaborative effort, where everyone worked harmoniously, respecting each other's creative input. This cohesive teamwork has distinguished it from other projects, making it a truly unforgettable and very cherished home.

(Shown below) A neutral and rustic palette of terra-cotta tile and limestone from **Tile Resource & Design**. Creating a spa-like setting, this matte white **Halo** tub from **Blu Bathwork's blu-stone collection** is the end-all-to-be-all when it comes to ergonomics and comfort in the today's bath. The tub filler is polished nickel from **The Alberto Pinto Collection** of **THG Paris**. Available through **Clyde Hardware** in Phoenix. 602-264-2106



Regarded as one of the most influential landscape designers in the Southwest, **Jeff Berghoff** possesses a unique talent for crafting outdoor spaces that are not only lush but also maintain the innate beauty of their natural state. In keeping with that theme, **Berghoff** designed an organic yet stylized plan with the primary focus on a lap pool and multiple patio areas to elevate the outdoor living experience while showcasing the majestic backdrops of Camelback Mountain.

Fireplace seating from **Manutti**. Available through Trade Professionals at **Deb Design Source LLC** in the **Scottsdale Design District**. 480-694-7597 debdesignsource.com
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