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A THOUGHTFUL CHANGE

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Designers, Rachel Keach and Diane Ernjakovic.

Located in the beautiful Oakville neighbourhood of Morrison, amongst the most desirable mature landscapes, this home was an older build in this affluent neighbourhood. The clients desire to maintain most of the charm and character of this older home was the inspiration for the transitional and eclectic design by designers Diane Ernjakovic and Rachel Keach of Oakville design firm, One Three Design Inc.

As grandparents of young grandkids, the clients found it was time to open up their living space for larger gatherings and to optimize their sunroom for year round use. The homeowners enlisted One Three Design Inc. to improve on their outdated floor plan and elevate the style of their home for the next phase of their life. >



The wall between the kitchen and family room was opened up and space was reallocated to create a larger laundry/mudroom off their garage entrance. The original family room was reminiscent of an English cottage with heavy wood beams and textured ceilings.

"To set a welcoming and relaxed vibe to the family room, we selected a bold, moody cabinet colour, a refreshing change from the classic white."



The original wood-burning fireplace was heavy and overbearing with wall-to-wall brick. A natural stone slab flanked with customized storage was brought in to cover up the out of date brick while preserving the desirable wood fireplace. Integrated firewood storage and a custom fireplace screen make their frequent use of this fire-

place easy. A small TV finds its home tucked off to the side allowing conversation, reading and entertaining to be the primary focus of the space. The layering of textures and metallics with the eclectic mix of furnishings and art brings life and playfulness into this casual, yet sophisticated, family room. >



"A thoughtful and well executed design can truly impact the emotional and physical wellbeing of our clients within their home."



In order to winterize the sunroom, new windows, insulation and heated floors were installed. The brick, French doors and fireplace were untouched to show off the original character of the home.



"It was important the space feel refined and elevated to tie into the adjacent interiors but also stay true to its casual purpose."

The predominant use of indoor furnishings such as the club chairs, tables and rug, keep this room from feeling like a year round storage shed for backyard furniture. Durable textiles, finishes and an outdoor sofa were selected to withstand the wet bathing suits and feet of little grandchildren running in from the family pool. A colourful mix of botanical art and greenery brings a lively outdoor feel to this all year round sunroom.

The homeowners were thrilled with the final result and feel they now have a space that both they and their grandkids can enjoy. ■