



Separated from Europe by an ocean, a continent, and a culture, this Seattle-area home breathes an air of old-world refinement while basking in the glow of warm West Coast sunsets. The property, not the house, had driven the sale: highly prized waterfront on Lake Washington east of Seattle, with glorious southwestern exposure. The home's stoic origins belie its now dynamic appearance. Transforming the stark dwelling into one inspiring warmth required a design team up to the challenge.

Fortunately, the owners had worked with architect Dennis Marsh of AOME Architects and interior designer Pamela Pearce on previous projects.



On the exterior, a classic stone and stucco treatment in the homeowners favorite warm earth tones lends a sense of timelessness and lasting beauty.

left: These sandstone corbels, made in China, were imported by a Seattle company (Rhodes Architectural Stone). A finishing process renders them nearly smooth to the touch.

left: The sandstone cap framing the entryway formalizes the stone exterior. Layering stucco, stone, and sandstone gives the house texture and a sense of strength and permanence that it didn't have before.