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Already in the process of a complete rebuild, the homeowners of this Austin, Texas, house turned to family friend Martha O'Hara to add her interior design touch to the project. Combining old and new elements to items such as the furnishings and artwork, O'Hara transformed the interior and exterior living areas into functional yet flexible open-concept spaces, while incorporating distinct design features that satisfy each family member's personality and taste.

How did the initial design meeting with these clients begin? What were they looking for when they contacted you to decorate their home?

I was friends with the clients before they asked me to be a part of their new home's remodel. It is a high compliment when friends invite you to work with them, and I felt it was a special way to start a project.

The remodel was well underway when I joined the team. My role was to use furnishings, window treatments, art, and accessories to accomplish the homeowners' expressed desire for an improved flow in the home's layout.

Describe the space before you began. Was it a challenge to incorporate their previously purchased furnishings into your new design?

I was very pleased with the decisions that had already been made throughout the remodel process. The room layouts flowed together well, and the construction materials were selected thoughtfully—both of which were bound to make my job much easier.

The homeowners had some furnishings from their old home that they wanted to incorporate with new pieces, so I was tasked with designing a space plan to make this