

# HOME FOR CHRISTMAS, PCM STYLE

FROM THE LUSH OUTDOOR ARRANGEMENTS TO THE GOLD-TINTED MAGNOLIA LEAVES ENTWINING THE IRON RAILING OF THE MAGNIFICENT CENTRAL STAIRCASE, 64 BRENTWOOD IS ALL DRESSED UP FOR CHRISTMAS.

THE IMPRESSIVE SOUTHEAST OAKVILLE HOME OF CARLOS AND ALEXANDRA JARDINO WAS ON DISPLAY FOR THE ANNUAL ST. ANDREW'S CHRISTMAS HOUSE TOUR AND WAS DRESSED FOR THE PART BY FRANK REA OF FORGET ME NOT FLOWERS. CARLOS, WHOSE COMPANY PCM BUILT THE CUSTOM HOME, WAS IMPRESSED WITH ITS FESTIVE TRANSFORMATION.

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Alexandra is enjoying her home's Christmas attire, especially in the kitchen, breakfast area and family room with its luxurious dark wood mantel decked in seasonal greens with hits of bright red berries. Branches contained in tall glass cylinder vases along with large pinecones flank the patio doors. A display of birch wrapped planters spill over with moose and deer antlers and pinecones.

"These elements make this area feel cozy and warm. The only thing missing is the falling snow," Alexandra says. The floral designer says it was a pleasure to decorate the bright yet warm and welcoming home. The white and cream shades of the walls and contrasting dark wood furniture and hardwood floors influenced his choice of off-white florals in the kitchen and dining room.

"The simplicity of neutrals for holiday decor creates that winter wonderland feel, yielding a vibrant yet elegant atmosphere to dine," Frank explains.

Hydrangeas line the kitchen table while graceful phalaenopsis orchid waterfalls provide asymmetrical interest and height on the dining room table. Small individual blooms of hydrangea dangle from strands of Swarovski crystal that embellish the six-foot silver Manzanita trees standing in elegant dining room.

"One key design trend to consider when decorating your home this season is the idea of collections. Whether collections of vases, candlesticks, or even plants, a collection allows for various heights and/or shapes to provide more interest to any decor display," offers the floral designer.

On the kitchen island he assembled a collection of slim glass cylinder vases of various heights and filled them with water and submerged branches with red berries that are anchored with charms of silver mercury nuggets. Large floating candles "add that candlelight flicker essential to any home when entertaining friends and family".

"Even though holiday decor can often overwhelm a home, this stately residence was decorated with elements to scale in order to compliment the space and design, creating a lovely atmosphere for the season," says Frank.

Alexandra reports that house tour visitors commented that the decorations were beautiful and stunning to the extent that they also wondered when they could move in. The home is stunning at any time of year. Looking like an early Beverly Hills-style mansion, the design was influenced by the furniture created by renowned designer Barbara Barry whose pieces combine simplicity with 1940s Hollywood glamour. This showpiece home is a showcase for Barbara Barry's classic furnishings.

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