

THE LODGE ON THE LAKE

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Through a private gate and across a narrow land bridge there is Snag Island, a private residential island that is full of big lots, towering trees, and some of the most stunning homes on Lake Tapps – including this one. There are about 100 premium homes here.

This massive home recently was completed and built by Daniel Martin Construction of Gig Harbor. Jim Tsang of INNOVA Architects, Bret Drager of Drager Architecture, and Stefanie Brooks of Stefanie Brooks Interior Design in Tacoma are behind this show-stopper of a house. The team worked with the homeowners to bring the project together in beautiful ways – from the counters and colors to the furniture and design – inside and out. From start to finish the project took about 2½ years – and it was one of the most rewarding (and challenging) for Martin.

The estate looks like a Northwest timber lodge – similar to upscale resorts in the area, like Suncadia. But it's even more interesting, as the warmth of the Northwest lodge feel collides with a young, fresh, and modern vibe. Think shiny tiles, sparkly light fixtures, geometric patterns, and fun, quirky additions, like an old-school phone booth in the hallway that was refurbished. (This might be the first time some kids have seen a real payphone in action!)

This home is the ultimate playground for the young family of four – and a perfect place to host events, including fundraisers for the philanthropic-minded couple.

"I love the floor plan on the main level – it has an open feel, but in reality, each space is sectioned off," said Brooks. "I also like that the bedrooms are separated into their own wings. You've got the guest wing with its very own entry that includes two bedrooms and two bathrooms and a loft overlooking the entry. There's the kids' wing and the master suite wing, including a sitting area off of the hallway with its own laundry room, a large custom walk-in closet, and a full bath with a door leading into the indoor pool."

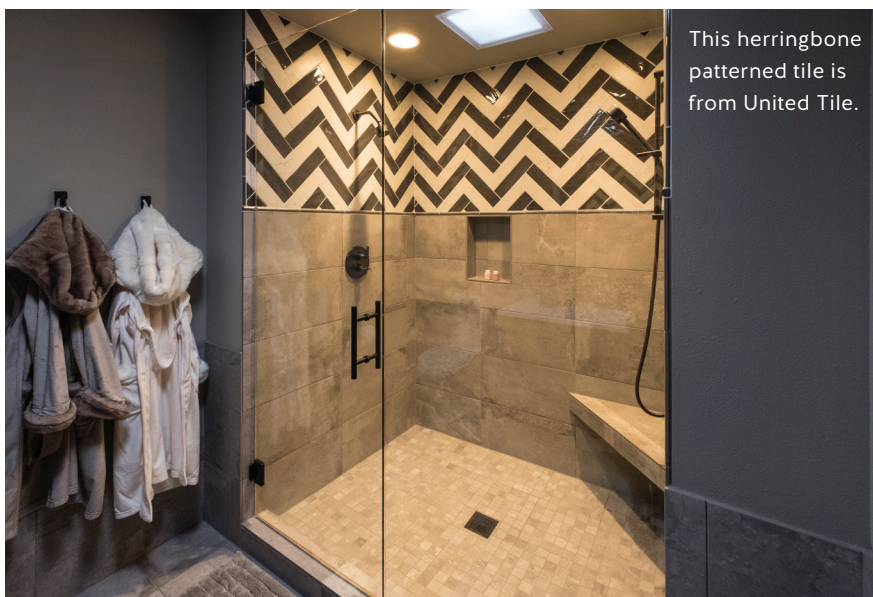
In all, the home has 10 bathrooms, including the lake bath and pool bath; five bedrooms; a playroom; an office.

The contractor enjoyed working on the unexpected spaces in this home. "There are many cool features," Martin said. "From the walk-in cooler and wine cellar to the fantastic media room."

The biggest challenges were constructing the soaring 30-foot timber roof framing and all the engineering that went into creating this massive masterpiece of a home.



TILE: Porcelanosa gravity aluminum 3D in Hexagon Gold



This herringbone patterned tile is from United Tile.



PHONE HOME

In the hallway near the guest wing is a refurbished phone booth – and yes, the phone works! Close the door and have a quiet conversation, just like in the good ole days.

THE BEST BAR
This home has a full-size bar (like you'd expect to see, well, at a bar). It is fully stocked and perfect for entertaining. It even has LED lights that can change color – go Seahawks!



WINE TIME!

Cheers to this lovely wine cellar and tasting room that is just as pretty as it is functional. It's right off the living and dining area and is climate-controlled.



Custom wine cellar by Madera Woodworking.



COUNTER CULTURE

This giant counter is Pental's White Macaubus Quartzite with a flush integrated outlets and a teppanyaki grill.

OUTDOOR LIVING

We love good outdoor patio spaces, and this one is one of the best. It has a full chef-worthy kitchen and massive grill. The covered area makes it great for year-round enjoyment. And the view of the lake and the landscaped yard make it perfect!



**LARGE AND
IN CHARGE**

Everything in this home is bold and beautiful. The walls of windows capture the views throughout. The ceilings soar 30 feet high. The timber beams add interest to the space, and that fireplace is huge.



Custom lighting from
Hammerton Lighting



Main flooring is Mirage
Glocal Porcelain Tile.



Tec Lighting from Crescent Lighting.
Countertop with waterfall edge from
Pental in Avalanche Quartz.

SOAK AWAY THE STRESS

This master suite bathroom has a lot of things to love: His and hers sinks and counters across the room from one another (yes!) and huge walk-in shower with a plethora of sprayers. But the best part is that tub by the window, with a view to the lake.



A SWOON-WORTHY CLOSET

The master suite closet is bigger than most people's bedrooms – check out the stunning light over the island in the middle. There is even a lake view. Imagine how many shoes and purses you could store here.



Reclaimed wood floors in
Otter Creek Collection from
Avante Garde Floors.

GOODNIGHT

The crackling fireplace, massive wall of windows, and private terrace make the master bedroom reminiscent of a vacation.

Custom doors by
Johnson's Millwork



Pool by All Star Pools

DIVE IN!

This pool is perfect for the family. Not pictured is a door with an electronic lock – a safety feature so the little ones cannot enter without their parents. The pool can be used year-round – thanks to the retractable glass panels. During warmer months, the glass can be opened, so they can enjoy the pool and the lake seamlessly.



DON'T FORGET THE POPCORN

This state-of-the-art theater room is the ultimate entertainment space for the family and their guests, with leather reclining chairs, beanbags, and cupholders (and that big bar right next to it!).

Kane Carpet "Global Junctions"
from Sumner Carpet One



DID YOU KNOW?

Lake Tapps was created in the early 1900s by Puget Sound Energy to create hydroelectric power. Before the reservoir was made, the area consisted of many smaller lakes, including one with the same name – Lake Tapps. It is no longer used as a power source, and PSE sold it about a decade ago.

RESOURCE LIST

Architect: Jim Tsang,
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Architect: Bret Drager,
Drager Architecture

Contractor: Daniel Mar-
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Interior Designer:
Stefanie Brooks Interior
Design

Custom Art: Lyla
Cravero

Audio/Visual: WAVE
Designs

Cabinets: Marty Mitch-
ell Cabinetry

**Concrete Counters and
Hearth:** Mark Schreck
Concrete Designs

**Custom Wine Cellars
and Furniture:** Madera
Woodworking

Electric: S&E Electric

Fireplaces: Custom Fire

Art, Greg Barthels

Flooring: Sumner
Carpet One and Avante
Garde Floors

Glass: Sound Glass

Landscape Architect:
David Bisom

Masonry: Arndt
Masonry

Paint: Martinson
Painting

Landscape: Island Rock
and Waters

Plumbing: Meridian
Plumbing

Roof: CRS Roofing

Siding: Harvest Timbers
and Specialty Products

Metal: S&S Metal
Fabrication

Closets: Wanderlust
Closet Concierge

