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A touch of L.A. is the inspiration for this
Lake Hamilton family getaway

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(clockwise from below) To establish the home's palette of neutrals with splashes of bright yellow, Tobi combined classic forms, like this pair of traditional armchairs, with unexpected hues. Touches of blue, like the silk draperies and abstract painting, add serenity in the dining room. A trio of yellow and white striped vases is a fun addition to the living room mantel. (facing page) Tobi added dimension to the living room with a variety of seaside-inspired accents, like the oversized shell sculptures on the side tables and the coral-inspired sconces, along with Dallas artist Brant Williams' painting, entitled *To the Point*.



"I love the bright yellow palette," says Tobi Fairley of T. Lamarr Interiors in Little Rock, who recently transformed the Hot Springs home of Angela Horn Duke into a sunny lake house filled with a warm ambience and a bold color scheme. "I just leave Tobi alone and let her go with it," says Angela, who has worked with Tobi on three projects, including a Los Angeles condo where her 22-year-old son, actor Clark, lives, a home in Glenwood, and now the home on Lake Hamilton.

Three years ago, Angela bought the lakefront property, but only last year did the homeowner and designer find time to concentrate on creating a comfortable interior for the Dukes' weekend and holiday home. "This summer is the first time we really have everything put together," says Angela, "and we plan to really enjoy it." Angela hopes Clark, who is currently starring in both an online show and the upcoming ABC Family network's sitcom *Greek*, debuting in July, will have time to visit





(clockwise from above) On the porch, Tobi chose red as a cheerful accent color on the coral-patterned cushions, glass lamps and painted baroque-style mirror. Above the breakfast table just off the kitchen, a seashell-encrusted chandelier is a reminder of the home's lakefront location. Rich wooden cabinetry is complimented by lighthearted diagonal pulls in the kitchen. (facing page, top) It's all about texture in the master bedroom, where pillows, linens, carpet and an ottoman are layered in similar hues, while Asian-inspired draperies and an Arden Boyce painting offer a punch of color. (facing page, bottom) For Chandler's bedroom, Tobi and Angela chose bull's-eye-printed linens for the bunk bed, reinforcing the look with an Ashley Saer painting called *Clear Vision*.



and enjoy the new view, along with her 15-year-old son Chandler.

Tobi has worked hard to make the home a family environment. The interior designer and her client blended furniture from the Glenwood house with new pieces to make it all work. "Our goal was to make this a place that they could come to and relax as a family," says the designer, "and I think we have achieved it." Now, a colorful retreat has emerged for the energetic family, who can't wait to dive into life on the lake this summer. "We wanted this house to feel beachy and resort-like to remind them of their time in California," says Tobi. "We used a neutral palette based on taupe with yellow as our main accent color and limited amounts of red and fuchsia."

Now, the 3,500-square-foot, three-bedroom and four-bath home provides a comfortable haven for family and friends. A screened-in porch, kitchen, breakfast room and master bedroom all have lakefront views, while the boys' bedrooms, an office and dining room face the street. "My favorite thing though about this house is the yard," says Angela. "We love the pool!" And when you're living on a lake...it's the best of both worlds. ▶





(above) It's hard for Angela to resist whiling the afternoon away in the brightly hued hammock on her backyard dock. (right) The rear of the Dukes' home opens directly onto the lake, making it the perfect place from which to enjoy all that the outdoors has to offer.

