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Why I love my house

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The Brogdons After enjoying 23 years in their charming East Memphis home, enjoying the sprawling and scenic two acre lot and the convenient location, the Brogdons weren't about to pick up and move simply because they wanted a little more space. Instead they called on Tim DiSalvo and Company to create some new areas that were equally utilitarian and elegant.



The mid-century four bedroom home came with lots of character, but not a ton of extra room. For example, it didn't have a separate den for everyday relaxing and television watching. There was also an ample patio off the back of the house that was rarely used because it was uncovered and unscreened. "It was impractical because of the sun and insects in the summer," David Brogdon says. Using the existing brick patio floor, Tim DiSalvo and Company added a spacious den, featuring exceptionally tall ceilings and plenty of windows. The room opens onto a new screened porch, with a vaulted and beamed ceiling, stone floors, outdoor brick fireplace and lots of pastoral touches. "This room is definitely our favorite part of the house now," David says of the warm porch.



The additions gave the newly retired Brogtons plenty of room to stretch while relaxing at home; they say it increased the house size by a third. "We love the open flow," he says. The renovation extended past the back door, though. "We didn't start the project thinking we'd add an outdoor kitchen, but once we got going we wanted to go all the way," he says, chuckling. Past the screened porch is a covered patio with built-in sink and grill, and plenty of space for dinner outdoors.

Now that they've renovated the kitchen, completed two bathroom remodels, built a roomy deck, and added on an ideal outdoor recreation area, the couple looks forward to just enjoying being at home together.

