



## DAN MARINO'S FAMILY ISLAND-HIDE-AWAY

Ten Miles Of Pristine Beaches, Views To The Sea And The Windswept Freedom Of Island Living — A Hall Of Fame Quarterback Has Fallen Captive To The Magic Of Kiawah

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WHEN DAN MARINO, AN NFL MAN OF THE YEAR, retired after 17 seasons with the Miami Dolphins, he didn't retire from sports. Golf became a passion and the Sanctuary Resort on Kiawah Island in South Carolina offered just the kind of course and ambiance he and wife Claire were seeking. It only followed that with his family of six children,

ABOVE: After removing walls and enclosing porches, designer Phyllis Taylor conjured a warm family room, where a sofa clad in Brunschwig & Fils' blue chenille pairs with a Moroccan-style cocktail table and family memorabilia. Homeowner Dan Marino's NFL trophy seems simpatico.



Kiawah, a barrier island that lies off the coast of South Carolina, is convenient to the Marino's other home in South Florida. Elevated against storms and with a spectacular view over palmetto groves toward the sea, the veranda furnishings from Restoration Hardware embrace island living.

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At once elegant and relaxed, the dining room expands seaward. A vintage chandelier and porcelain bowl remind guests of a time when sea captains brought home treasures from afar. Wide-planked hickory flooring, distressed and aged, gives a nod toward colonial Charleston on the mainland.



their friends, and his wide circle of professional relationships, a getaway home on Kiawah was a perfect fit.

"I've worked with the Marinos on at least four homes," interior designer Phyllis Taylor says. "Of them all, this one has Dan's input and imprint. Claire didn't like the original stone floors, so Dan insisted the new ones be in the warm wood found in the Sanctuary. He also decided on the blue and white theme."

Other priorities were to have not only a beach-style, vintage-feeling home, but one that was open for large groups to congregate in several spaces at once, from the main family areas to the oceanside verandas. In keeping with that directive, walls came down to expand the interior spaces of the 5,500-square-foot cottage. Taylor incorporated ceiling brackets and narrow bookcases to display trophies and family photos along the lines of the walls that were removed. Thick molding and dramatic wainscoting, along with the original transom-style windows give a nostalgic nod to centuries past.

In the dining room that was once a porch, Taylor designed a megalithic circular table to accommodate the whole family. Seating slip-covered in fabric from Holly Hunt handles wet bathing suits, sand and even friendly golden retriever paws.

ABOVE: In the living room, deep-seated white sofas by Edward Ferrell shape a social grouping with blue-and-white lounge chairs, a cocktail ottoman from John Rosselli and Ralph Lauren reading lamps.



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With an eye to the sea, Taylor's decor tells a tale of sailing captains who might have brought Delft dinnerware and exotic accessories to American shores. "Pairing these elements in blues and whites, delicate pillow prints and the occasional surprise piece are like subliminal suggestions the mind picks up," she says. Yet the living room's braided area rug by Stark, hand-stitched by Amish from Pennsylvania, is pure Americana.

The master bedroom's blue-green offers another mood from the sea. "A rich shade of teal can be handled with grasscloth-clad walls," Taylor says. "They absorb light in a way that lets

the color vibrate without overpowering." Palm-motif draperies again speak of distant ports, and even a "fantasy four-poster" from Noir Furniture lends a note of a faraway voyage.

"This is a home where a woman's sensibilities and a man's comfort levels are combined," Taylor says. "Pair that with golf, family, and the beach, and you see why you may not want to leave."

ABOVE: Wrapped in a warm grasscloth from Phillip Jeffries, the master bedroom combines the masculine geometry of the lounge chair clad in a bold Pindler & Pindler stripe with a lady's chair from Noir fashioned in Duralee's pale seafoam green.

SOURCES  
Family Room  
Sofa and lounge chairs - Le Jeune Upholstery, Miami, FL  
Sofa and accent pillow fabrics - Brunschwig & Fils, Lee Jofa, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Chair fabric - Great Outdoors Textiles, Holly Hunt Miami, Miami, FL  
Cocktail table, occasional table and table lamp - T&T Finds, Miami Beach, FL

Marino sculpture and trophy - Owners' Collection  
Art lighting - Circa Lighting, Inc., Charleston, SC  
Shades - Ginger Brewton Interiors LLC, Charleston, SC  
Veranda  
Table and chairs - Restoration Hardware, Aventura, FL  
Cushion fabric - Sunbrella, Jeffrey Michaels, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL

Wood flooring - Absolute Hardwood Flooring, West Palm Beach, FL  
Dining Room  
Dining table - Nye Portfolio, Boca Raton, FL  
Chairs - Le Jeune Upholstery, Miami, FL  
Fabric - Great Outdoors Textiles, Holly Hunt Miami, Miami, FL  
Centerpiece and chandelier - T&T Finds, Miami Beach, FL

Drapery fabric - Ginger Brewton Interiors LLC, Charleston, SC  
Wood flooring - Absolute Hardwood Flooring, West Palm Beach, FL  
Living Room  
White sofas - Edward Ferrell Furniture, Jerry Pair & Assoc., Hollywood, FL  
Fabric - Great Outdoors Textiles, Holly Hunt Miami, Miami, FL  
Accent pillow fabric - Quadrille, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Chairs and ottoman - Le Jeune Upholstery, Miami, FL  
Blue-and-white fabric - Brunschwig & Fils, Lee Jofa, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Cocktail ottoman and tray - Bee Line Home Furniture, John Rosselli & Assoc., New York, NY  
Occasional table and vase - Owners' Collection  
Reading lamps - Ralph Lauren, Circa Lighting, Charleston, SC  
White vase on console - T&T Finds, Miami Beach, FL  
Area rug - Stark Carpets, Hollywood, FL  
Master Bedroom  
Bed and green chair - Noir Furniture, High Point, NC  
Chair fabric - Duralee, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Bed coverings - Carlotta's Fine Linens, Miami Beach, FL  
Green accent pillow fabric and print drapery fabric - China Seas, Quadrille, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
White drapery fabric - David Sutherland, Rose Cummings, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Bolster pillow fabric and artwork - GDC Home, Kiawah Island, SC  
Bedside tables - The Elephant's Foot Antiques, West Palm Beach, FL  
Lounge chair and stool - Le Jeune Upholstery, Miami, FL  
Striped fabric - Pindler & Pindler, DCOTA, Dania Beach, FL  
Desk/table - Nye Portfolio, Boca Raton, FL  
Table lamps - Owners' Collection  
Wall covering - Phillip Jeffries, Holly Hunt Miami, Miami, FL  
Artwork above bed - Becky Davis Botanicals, LLC, Summerton, SC  
Area rug - Stark Carpets, Hollywood, FL ♦

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