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Molly Sims's Pacific Palisades Home Combines a Clean Aesthetic With Kid-Friendly Living

The mother of three—and interior design junkie—sought both form and function when designing her growing family's primary residence

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If <u>Molly Sims</u> weren't a model and actress, there's a very good chance the mother of three would be an interior designer. "People always say, 'You could do it on your own, you have such great taste,' and I do!" she says, laughing. "I love design. Mama never met a couch she didn't like." But that doesn't mean Sims, who just gave birth to her third child with producer husband Scott Stuber in January, was ready to fly solo when decorating the family's newly constructed home in Pacific Palisades. She enlisted the help of interior designer Dan Scotti, the founder of <u>Dan Scotti Design</u>, whom she had worked with on a loft in New York City and her house in the Hamptons.

Scotti accompanied Sims and Stuber, who married in 2011, house hunting, eventually overseeing final architectural changes on the home that the couple chose in 2015. Sims took advantage of Scotti's experience. "I'm a designer first—I approach everything with a designer's eye—but I do build homes and oversee construction of estate homes in the Hamptons," Scotti explains. When they purchased the Pacific Palisades house, it was only about 80 percent done. The interiors had not been completed, and the floors had not been finished. Sims and Scotti had a lot of decisions to make.

"This house is their family home and their primary residence, but it also needs to serve two other functions," Scotti says. "Molly is very engaged with *her followers* on social media and she uses her home to shoot videos and YouTube posts. As I was designing, I was cognizant that she would be using certain spaces as a backdrop. Then, because her husband is a successful producer, I had to create areas to entertain guests and host parties."

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