



## KIRA KRÜMM

Peaceful luxury characterizes her island retreat.

\* As the daughter of a painter, it's no wonder interior designer Kira Krümm took an artistic approach in designing the Marco Island home she shares with her husband, Juan Munera. The principal of Kira Krümm Interior Design finds inspiration in both man and nature and is drawn to the harmonious duality between soft, organic elements and clean-lined, architectural materials. Here, earthy tones, contrasted with dark, exotic woods, give the room a sophisticated feel and offer a neutral

backdrop for the couple's worldly art collection and natural treasures, such as shells and driftwood.

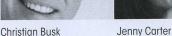
The family room, which Krümm calls the heart of the home, is anchored by two circular sofas that mimic the room's large, round windows, frames for the lush, tropical landscape outside. A pair of paintings by her father, Terry Krümm, takes center stage in an homage to him and the yin element they represent. "I see him in his paintings," she says. "These particular pieces were created specifically for a space I conceptualized. I felt they belonged in my home where I could enjoy them every day."

Though the room will soon evolve into a more lively, multipurpose area when the couple bring home their first child this year, it remains her personal sanctuary—"a calming, serene place where I can unwind and retreat from the demands of my busy life," she says.  $\land H$ 

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#### **Christian Busk**

The founder of W. Christian Busk Landscape Architect has more than 25 years of experience in the art and science of landscape design and development. His award-winning tropical outdoor pool spaces have earned him recognition throughout Florida and in the Caribbean.

"I've developed some outrageous natureinspired gardens, but I tend to favor the traditional neoclassic to classic garden styles with innovation tapped into it."

#### **Jenny Carter**

No idea is too big for Carter, whose K2 Design handles architecture and interior design projects across the globe. She's made a niche for herself in kosher design, blending an Orthodox Jewish lifestyle with a fresh, contemporary aesthetic.

"More important than knowing what to use is knowing when enough is enough. I design. Then I edit, edit, edit."

#### **Richard Geary**

With more than three decades of experience to his name, Geary has played many roles in the design community, including principal of the Naples-based award-winning interior and furniture design firm Geary Design, and professor at the Institute for Interior Design and the University of Florida.

"Enthusiasm for American design is enjoying a renaissance for the first time in nearly 50 years. The young and young at heart are increasingly attracted to an American aesthetic that will ultimately eclipse the fascination with imaginary Mediterranean romance."

#### Kris Kolar

As vice president of interior design for Robb & Stucky Interiors, Kolar draws from her rich experience abroad in Italy and Paris and at several renowned interior design and home furnishing retailers in the United States.

"As a designer who loves people and their own personalities, most important is creating a relationship with each client and being able to recognize and reflect his or her favorite style."

#### Kira Krümm

Krümm is the principal interior designer of Kira Krümm Interior Design and creator of the Kira Krümm Kollection, a line of luxury furnishings, fabrics and other décor. Her transitional designs are a perfect fit for Southwest Florida's coastal lifestyle.

"Our interior environments greatly impact our quality of life. Your home should be a sanctuary that embodies your individual style while emanating balance and serenity."

#### **Judith Liegeois**

The owner of Judith Liegeois Designs in downtown Naples incorporates her travels abroad into creating spaces with a unique sense of color, style and placement. Her design aesthetic represents an eclectic mix of traditional, classic modern and vintage finds.

"From my perspective, interior design is heading toward a cleaner, simpler, organic and more personalized home aesthetic."  $\land H$