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From complicated to sublime

A Tiburon penthouse condo simplified for sophisticated elegance

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When you're buying a condo in a town that's new to you, it makes sense to want to put your own stamp on it. After all, when you're busy spending the day hitting the links, beaches and restaurants, you want to come home to a place that makes you feel comfortable.

This particular beauty was purchased fully furnished and professionally designed, but not to the new owner's personal style. At time of purchase, the 2,950 square foot, three-bedroom, three-and-a-half bath space could have been labeled "fussy with a hint of delicate." But the owner's were looking for something a bit more livable, so they called Kira Krümm's Koastal Design Group.

"Our clients purchased their condo a few months before season and wanted it transformed before their arrival in January," says Ms. Krümm. "This was their first

purchase in Naples and intended it to be a short term invest-



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The condo's dining area went from tolerable to terrific with sleek chairs tailored in subtle blue fabric with chrome nail heads which coordinate with the table's polished steel base.



Before

ment property to see how they liked the area as a seasonal vacation



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spot to enjoy with friends and family. (Originally) it was purchased new and had been professionally decorated in an elaborate traditional style that did not reflect their taste and lifestyle. They wanted interior design elements that would be more suited to their new vacation condominium in coastal destination such as Naples.”

Part of the challenge was that the husband preferred contemporary styling, while the wife leaned towards classic elements. With a blend of bone, taupe, subtle blues, and luscious textures, Ms. Krümm created a home that coexists nicely with the surrounding golf course views.

The end result is more cohesive and subdued, and feels perfectly suited to seasonal visits. Gone is the *neuvo* European line green accents that originally made up the master suite — replaced by a relaxing space that oozes comfort. The media room/study went from a frenzied collection of patterns to an elegant room that won't induce a panic attack. Even more impressive was the finished results were achieved in such a short timeframe.

“Our plan was to update the unit with all new customized furnishings, fixtures, décor and wall finishes, while working around the existing cabinetry, flooring, and architectural details,” adds Ms. Krümm.

Neutral backgrounds and fabrics on key furnishings allows for color to be incorporated through accessories such as accent



pillows and artwork.

“They were thrilled with the results — both luxurious and livable, with a timeless interior that now reflects both the husband and wife’s unique styles —

fresh, polished, elegant, a fusion of traditional elements with modern nuances.”

The perfect vibe for an upscale vacation property. And one that feels like home for its owners. ■

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Kira Krümm took the home’s den from chaotic to quiet thanks to warm grey upholstery on the sofa, a Neptune zinc leather coffee table, and smoke grey drapes (top). Warm hues and clean lines define the newly inviting living room anchored by a cozy seating area (below). Meanwhile, the master bedroom got toned down with a tufted bed in light neutral fabric topped with light sea-foam bedding, a lounge chair in driftwood grey, and a library table doing desk duty in a weathered mineral finish.

