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DESCRIBE THE FEATURED PROJECT.

This contemporary home was designed for sophisticated beach living. Art and color and pattern all played a significant role in designing this family home. Every room is creative, elegant and alive. Their guests have repeatedly said that they feel like they are staying at a five-star hotel! My clients simply love their home.

WHAT IS INTERESTING ABOUT WORKING ON HOMES IN THE BEACH CITIES?

Working on homes in the Beach Cities is interesting because of the variety of styles and the variety of sizes. We can be working on a 1,500-square-foot beach bungalow, a 6,000-square-foot French country chateau and a 14,000-square-foot Bali modern—all within minutes of each other!

WHAT IS THE PHILOSOPHY OF YOUR COMPANY, AND HOW DOES THAT AFFECT THE WAY YOU PRACTICE INTERIOR DESIGN?

My philosophy is that beautiful interior design supports a happy, healthy lifestyle, and I treat every client's house as if it's my own home. Therefore, there are two things that make my company special. First, I am very client-focused. I take the time to get to know my clients and their lifestyle so their homes represent them. I want my clients to have interiors that are beautiful, comfortable and durable. Second, quality and construction

of furniture is important to me. We manufacture all of our upholstered pieces locally, and that allows me to make custom, quality pieces that fit rooms properly. I love when my clients say: "I love it; I can't believe this is MY home!" Happiness is everything in a home, and that is what we create.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR FIRM AND THE SERVICES YOU OFFER.

Caroline Burke Designs is a full-service interior design and decorating firm located in Manhattan Beach. We offer interior design packages for new builds, which includes all the drawings a builder requires to build out the interior spaces of a home as well as all the material, plumbing and appliance selections. We work hand-in-hand with the architects and builders.

We also offer interior decorating that includes the design and feel of a home, furnishings, fabrics, window treatments, area rugs, paint schemes, art and accessories.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR OWN HOME.

I live and breathe interior design. Six years ago I purchased a small, English cottage-style home on a double lot in Palos Verdes overlooking the ocean. It needed a lot of TLC. I gutted the house down to the studs, reworked the rooms and rebuilt the cottage with new everything. I wanted to keep the integrity of the home and the coziness. I spent a lot of time designing the gardens.



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