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THIS PAGE: The remodeled master bedroom offers grand views of the Pacific Ocean along with a black walnut-and-travertine floor and travertine fireplace. **OPPOSITE,** clockwise from top left: The master bath, **DINING** room. **NEW** front façade includes an extended patio and covered porch.



“**Fresh and Clean.** Knits together a variety of materials well.”
— juror **Drexel Patterson**



Remodel turns warren into wide-open home

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BAST/WRIGHT INTERIORS
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To Michael and Olga Krambs, planning the remodel of their coast-hugging home in La Jolla had to start with the interior. Their traditional home was too compartmentalized with too many enclosed rooms, narrow hallways and dark stairwells.

So they consulted first with an interior designer, Kellie McCormick of Bast/Wright Interiors, Inc.

"We wanted to talk with an interior designer first and get some plans to make it happen. We then would present the architect and builder with the challenge of making it happen."

The rest of the all-star team included architect Laura DuCharme Conboy and Wardell Builders, Inc.

The house was a challenge, thanks to a series of remodels of the "What were they thinking" order. For example, an ocean-view deck outside the living and dining rooms overlooked the backyard, gazebo, barbecue area and stairs to the water. To get down to them, however, you had to go to the front of the house, down a steep, dark, low-ceilinged stairway to the lower level's door outside.

One of the first things the homeowners and McCormick did was to connect the deck with the backyard and the ocean with an exterior curvilinear staircase.

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