



**“The Ngos have busy, chaotic lives, so they wanted a pure, tranquil oasis at home.”**

*- Marie Hebson, interior designer*

Top An oversized ottoman doubles as a coffee table with the addition of a tray.

Above Built-in storage blends in the living room combining form and function by hiding the TV.

Above Right A colour palette of beiges, greys and blues creates a calming atmosphere with a beautiful play of light.

give an ethereal light to the space.

Throughout the home, shades of blue, grey and graphite espresso form the colour palette. Every square inch of the house also focuses on style and functionality. Practical and visually pleasing features throughout include custom bathroom cabinetry that hides an ironing board and provides additional clothing storage, a bench along the kitchen wall for extra seating, and a wired-in sound system running from the living room to the bathroom, eliminating messy chords.

In the kitchen, the dining bench was custom-built to accommodate the homeowners' heights. “We didn't want our feet to dangle,” says Kim. Behind the bench, a feature wall is emphasized with wallpaper that mimics raw silk, while recessed glass shelving provides storage.

The most notable space in the house is the fully tricked-out master bathroom. Han points out the timed exhaust system that controls bathroom humidity and the heated floor covered with brown travertine tiles. There is also a glass shower and adjacent soaker tub. Kim's favourite feature sits beside the shower: a Neorest 500 commode, a \$4,000 extravagance that automatically deodorizes itself, has a heated seat and even has a built-in bidet. “I got my dream toilet,” she laughs.

In the living room, the couple hides their flat-screen TV behind custom cabinetry that flanks a central fireplace. Above the fireplace, a bright, stylized oil painting of the Bow River hangs over the mantle. It was painted by Han's sister, Thai Ngo, a Calgary-based artist, and painted with colours matching the decor. Personalization to

**“We asked Marie to design a functional and tranquil space. She achieved both for us,”**

*-Kim Ngo, homeowner*

The master ensuite is a luxurious retreat complete with heated floor, glassed-in shower and an oversized soaker tub.



## The Source

### DINING ROOM

Chairs custom designed by Interiors by Design (IBD) ([decorati.com/c/mariehebson](http://decorati.com/c/mariehebson)), built by DesignMaster ([designmasterfurniture.com](http://designmasterfurniture.com)), upholstery from J. Ennis Fabrics ([jennisfabrics.com](http://jennisfabrics.com)), opal fabric by Maxwell Trapeze 1936 Opal ([maxwellfabrics.com](http://maxwellfabrics.com))

Table custom-designed by IBD

Bamboo floors by Commercial Linocraft (16307 111 Ave., 780-455-9106)

Banquette custom-designed by IBD, built by Trevor Brown Upholstery ([trevorbrown.com](http://trevorbrown.com))

Throw pillow 1936 Opal by Maxwell Trapeze

Flame mirror by Global Views ([globalviews.com](http://globalviews.com))

Chandelier and bird decorations by Park Lighting (10353 170 St., 780-434-9600)

### LIVING ROOM

Couch and ottoman by Leather Elite (10434 Mayfield Rd., 780-444-7800)

Chest by Lexington Furniture from Coast Wholesale Appliances (5345 Gateway Blvd., 780-436-5501 and 18503 Stony Plain Rd., 780-451-6095)

Area rug from Sears Flooring (16307 111 Ave., 780-452-6169, [commercialcarpetcraft.com](http://commercialcarpetcraft.com))

Oil painting by Thai Le Ngo ([thailengo.com](http://thailengo.com))

Fireplace refurbished and custom designed by IBD, slate cladding from Julian Ceramic Tile (114 19 160 St., 780-452-5010, [juliantile.com](http://juliantile.com)) and construction by Rock-Solid Construction Services (780-932-2936)

Tilework by Commercial Linocraft

Cabinetry by Superior Cabinetry (11045 190 St., 780-409-3400, [superiorcabinets.ca](http://superiorcabinets.ca))

### KITCHEN

Stove by Wolf from Coast Wholesale Appliances

Cabinetry by Superior Cabinetry

Bamboo flooring from Commercial Linocraft

Faucet from the American Standard Culinaire Collection ([americanstandard.ca](http://americanstandard.ca))

### BATHROOM

Bath tub and shower doors from Bartle & Gibson Co. Ltd. (10045 158 St., 780-483-1411 and 13475 Fort Rd., 780-472-2850)

Cabinetry by Superior Cabinetry

Mirror custom-designed by IBD

Wall sconce and pendants from Park Lighting

Flooring from Commercial Linocraft