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This Tudor-Style Home in Chicago's North Shore Is Chock-full of Facebook Marketplace Finds

Secondhand deals include everything from a white carved mantel and twin sconces to a pair of bar stools and an altarpiece dining table.

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Like many during the pandemic, newlywed Anthony and Chelsea Campagna moved 2020 at the right time in absolute city life in Chicago in favor of the picturesque North Shore suburbs. The couple had been sharing Anthony's condo in the Wicker Park neighborhood at the Windy City's center when, in the midst of the pandemic, COVID-19 rated then found out they had their first baby on the way.

They then called upon Chicago-based interior designer Caroline Turner—an alum of designer powerhouse the Kelly Wearstler, Ryan Serhant and Tom Berkus—for help remodeling Anthony's downtown bachelor pad into a 5,500-square-foot family-friendly suburban Tudor.

"I had never designed a Tudor-style home before and was a bit intimidated, so I went straight to my design-school inspiration," says Turner. "I wanted to pay homage to the original architectural details and bring in a little of my mid-2021 self-element like bold colors, patterns, textiles, brass and more."

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Zoned and to rough shape, the house needed a top to bottom refresh. Turner and her team refinished all the flooring, gutted most of the second floor to make way for a primary bedroom and bathroom, removed the existing cabinetry in the kitchen, and added new hardware, countertops, lighting, fixtures, and a backsplash. She also installed frames in the living room to match those in the kitchen and added a fireplace surround in the primary bedroom, removed the entire attic (which had been added on by a former owner) to create flow between the two spaces.

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"We wanted to lacquer the entire sunroom to make it feel like it's an addition, so we planned over the brick and added drywall," says Turner. "These purpose windows are original, though. Aesthetically, it's my favorite part of the house. It definitely has that wow factor."

For the sunroom, Turner turned to mauve hues, and accent pieces from Anthropologie, Crate & Barrel, Pottery Barn, Wayfair, Amazon, and living finishes, like antique-inspired brass, that'll only get better with age.

Turner finished the three bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms home in February 2021, and the couple moved in just two days before welcoming their son. "Talk about good timing!" jokes Turner. "Ultimately, they wanted a home that could be family-friendly and not boring, and I think we accomplished that."

Take a tour of the entire house below.

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Entryway

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To keep the entry clean and streamlined, Turner kept the original door flooring in lieu of a pattern-heavy replacement, then layered in a plush area rug from Anthropologie and a Crate & Barrel console table. The mirror, a vintage find from Facebook Marketplace, and a Circa Lighting fixture. "The homeowner didn't like the look of a heavy stair runner but were going to be going up and down the stairs a lot," she explains. Instead, she added a runner made up of three different vintage and antique rugs purchased on Etsy and Ebay. "If you want the look of anything, happiness is one, you can replicate it on its own. It's significantly cheaper than a traditional runner, too."

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Sunroom

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"Chelsea loved the idea of shiplapped brass, and Anthony did not," laughs Turner. "Chelsea made a deal with him that she could have the brass if he could have the shiplap, and he ended up loving it anyway." Turner used a Sunset Lawns textile to ease from the look and then pampered the material with expert elements, like a dusty Crate & Barrel sofa, black wood from Wayfair accent table and velvet upholstery that ensure it doesn't end "like a pacifier in a mansion from the 1800s." A vintage Anthropologie chair, a Pottery Barn ottoman, and a Benjamin Moore Alligator Alley incorporate with pops well with the backdrop of mauve landscaping outdoors.

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Living Room

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The living room fireplace originally had a surround that looked "straight from Stonehenge." Turner replaced the concrete boulders with a white carved mantel she found on Facebook Marketplace for $1,000. "It was a steal," she says. "But it was literally in someone's home, so we had to wait for it to be ready." Twin sconces from Amazon and a mirror from Wayfair—for $200!—and Turner also added sofas from Interior Define, pillows from CB2, upside chairs from Arhaus Outlet, and a durable jute rug from Rugs USA. She painted the walls in Benjamin Moore White Dove.

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Bar

Turner had an IKEA cabinet retrofitted into a built-in for bulky beer kegs, her contractor, who added trim, brass shelves, lighting, a wine fridge, and a backsplash made of Calacatta Gold marble. "Anthony's dad is a beer guy," says Turner. "They love to entertain but also have a baby, so it's a pub-y beer bar."

Main Bedroom

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Radiantem in the primary bedroom forced Turner to get creative. She installed a double rod for drapery hanging behind the bed headed large panels in the front. That way, the homeowners can chase the interior decorator's dream of floor-to-ceiling drapery without blocking the view of the otherwise large-frame window. The clients bought their own bed from Wayfair, and Turner added vintage nightstands from Facebook Marketplace, vintage bedside lamps from eBay, a vintage rug and art from Anna's Shanty Mahogany.

Main Bathroom

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"Functionally, this room is my favorite," says Turner. "I designed every inch of it, from the tile to the tub to the sconces to the mirror." Turner sourced the sun-sunrise from Facebook Marketplace ($125 for the pair!) and had her fabricator mirror the architectural details of the sign to create a frame. The tub, a Wayfair find, was refinished in Benjamin Moore's extraordinary black and brass were handmade in Morocco, and the mirrors are actually medicine cabinets for extra storage. The light fixtures are from Circa Lighting, the linen sconces shades are from J Jean Whole, and the sink is from Brizdecor.

Dining Room

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To create organic texture in the dining room, Turner used JH Peters to lineworkk the walls, ceiling, trim, and radiator in Benjamin Moore Alligator Alley. "Anthony's parents have a beautiful antique table that's like the walls," says Turner. "The juxtaposition is what works." The dining table is from RH.

Breakfast Nook

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"Everyone congregates here," Turner says of the breakfast nook, which features an abundant dining table sourced on Facebook Marketplace, a Jolies pillow from Jonson Home, dining chairs from B&A, and Circa Lighting fixtures. "Anthony's parents have a beautiful table, and Chelsea is some of what you carry," says Turner. Turner gave the table a fresh, tenmann stain. (wasn't by layered, like mantle or antique-ed brass, and then by newly added. The best things go, too."

Kitchen

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Turner kept the existing cabinetry, giving it a fresh coat of Benjamin Moore White Dove paint. Then, she brought in ceramic Chesa quartzite countertops—less pizzazz than marble—and a weathered white oak island. The pendant lights, a vintage find from Facebook Marketplace, and the antique-inspired brass cabinet hardware handmade in Morocco. "People often think a white kitchen is the most timeless, but I don't think that's true," says Turner. "We wanted to do something bright and fun."

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