

Grand Estate

JP Compass

A BASIC, BOX-LIKE aluminum-sided home in Moreland Hills was transformed into a Craftsman-style estate during a multi-phase project that started with an exterior overhaul to create a true front entry. JP Compass was



retained by the homeowner, an empty-nester who decided to invest in the house to create a personal oasis in close proximity to the Chagrin Falls corridor's shopping, dining, business and entertainment options.

The first step was to address the home's lack of curb appeal. Set on a corner lot, there was plenty of space to reimagine. "We added a front porch that extends 12 feet in front of the house and has a bead-board, barreled ceiling

leading up to the mahogany front door," describes Jacob Park, sales consultant with JP Compass.

A mixed-materials approach to refacing the home incorporates veneer stone, shake and traditional lap siding in shades of gray. Meanwhile, a courtyard with a heated surface enclosed with stone walls provides privacy and adds to the wow factor when guests enter.

Interior renovations began in the master wing, where there was a basic bedroom with a 2-foot deep closet and some cabinetry, but no walk-in and an outdated bathroom. JP Compass reconfigured the space from floor to ceiling. "We squared up the space to make room for a walk-in closet that includes a purse storage area, shoe closet and custom cabinetry," Park says.

The refined look features glass-front cabinets to showcase handbags and a cozy window-seat nook, along with an island for displaying jewelry, which is appointed with a tasteful chandelier.

The master bathroom features an undermount tub and quartz countertops with a white-gray pattern. A double vanity includes a makeup station and plenty of built-ins along the walls for storage, plus a separate shower

space and toilet room.

One renovation leads to another, and the next phase moved into the entire first floor — kitchen, dining area and living spaces. Custom paneling in cabinetry adds visual interest, and the blue-stained island with gold accents is a focal point.

"Every aspect of this house was designed — not a single detail was forgotten," says Park, noting that one of his favorite spaces in the home is the sunroom. It features a stone fireplace and coffered ceiling with curly-maple inserts.

The house also includes some innovative finishes. In particular, bleached cherry cabinets in the dining space and TV room add character. "Floors are a special walnut, handscraped, 8-inch planks — very custom," Park says.

JP Compass completed the outdoors with a patio, outdoor kitchen, walking gardens, pool and pool house. Park says, "Now, it feels like an estate."

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