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Design Challenge: The designer's family is the client for this dramatic new construction that celebrates life on the water, entertaining, and family time. Therefore, the living room needed to be designed to accommodate all of the energy of family and friends. The home, inspired by the lifestyles of Nantucket and the New Jersey Shore, was built in a cottage style. The goal was to bend a nautical theme with wonderful textures from the surrounding environment while enhancing the views of Lake Minnetonka.

Professional Solution: A nautical theme is woven throughout the home. Indigo blue is the predominant color, while red and khaki accents are seen in the furnishings and accessories. The space is designed to stand the test of time and the demands of an active family. The focal point of the living room is external, with floor to ceiling windows that frame the lake view. It was important that the design did not compete with the backdrop of the lake, but rather complement it during all four seasons. The commanding height of the ceiling gives the room the appearance of being larger than it measures, but the wall covering, furnishings, and arches

Maritime Living



soften the scale, keeping it intimate and cozy. The fireplace, knotty walnut wide-plank flooring and authentic turn-of-the-century Persian prayer rug add drama and color to the space. A brindle hair-on-hide chair adds whimsy and humor and gives a nod to the Midwest.

FIRST PLACE: Single Room
FIRST PLACE: Design For Renovation,
3,500-5,000 Square Feet

Designer: Karen Soojian, ASID
Firm: Gabbert's Design Studio & Fine
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