



Homeowner Cheryl Rygg told Marrokal's designer that she wanted "a 1950s, retro kind of look" to the fireplace, which is reflected in its rustic, sandstone-like cladding. The teak wood bench around the fireplace has alder storage drawers beneath it. Motorized shades on two sides protect the cabana from ocean breezes. An abstract painting over the mantel conceals a big-screen TV.

BUDGET HISTORY

Estimated cost: \$150,000
 Change orders: \$22,000 **
 Final cost: \$172,000

** For granite over allowance and new exterior doors in the house

Creature comforts in the 543-square-foot cabana include a gas fireplace and ceiling-mounted heaters that make the space usable year round. According to Cheryl, the heating elements are capable of bringing the structure to room temperature on a chilly night.

It was her idea to hang an abstract painting over the fireplace mantel to conceal a big-screen TV. "I painted that picture in an afternoon when we were leaving for a Christmas holiday," she says. "We lift it off to watch TV."

Cheryl's artistic talent and vision are evident in other aspects of the project, such as the custom-made chandelier, which she

designed, and various finish material and fabric selections. The travertine floor, which is a golden walnut color, marks the entry to the cabana and gives the space definition. The countertop in the bar area was made from a slab of granite that Cheryl found in a granite yard. "[The pattern] was very unique and could have been either a hit or a miss, but it turned out to be phenomenal."

A concrete-capped fire pit acts as a connecting device between the old and new living spaces and creates a casual overlap of entertaining. The richness of the wood in the exposed ceiling gives the space a cozy feeling, while can lights, wall sconces, and the