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MANDEVILLE IN SPICE BAY DESIGNED BY ROMANZA INTERIOR DESIGN

Sometimes it starts with an idea, a vivid dream, a place explored or a captivating piece of art. It's that spark that inspires a vision of possibilities for a place we long for: a place to call home.

Often drawing from the best parts of ourselves, the place we make our home is often a mix of treasure troves and unique finds sprinkled with captured moments of our journeys and adventures.

For Melissa Allen of Romanza Interior Design, creating interior spaces takes a mix of intuition, thoughtful communication and a strong dose of interior design forecasting. She has been creating unique spaces and custom designs for more than 25 years, working with clients to bring their ideas and inspirations to life.

Whether creating the interior design for a model home in Port Royal for its affiliate partner, London Bay Homes, or working alongside the builder's Renovation and Design team to bring new life to a well-loved home, Allen and the interior design team at Romanza work effortlessly to bridge the gap between creating a design theme that will resonate with homeowners while adding a touch of pieces that are eclectic, luxurious and long-lasting.

"I love adding textural elements. Whether through fabrics, furniture or lighting, texture adds dimension – both visually and from a tactile



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standpoint," said Allen. "We saw it trending this year at High Point Market and will continue to see it throughout the season."

Often the heart of the home, the great room is an ideal place to add texture. "It's a simple way to add personal style with a stylish look," said Allen. "Whether adding pops of color in pillows, patterns in curtain fabrics or tassels on lamp shades, these textural elements add warmth and richness to a room."

While the great room continues to be a focal point for many home updates and new projects this season, it's also a place in the home that is increasingly being weaved into an open concept floor plan with a connection to the kitchen and flowing spaces that continue outdoors.

"People are spending more time outdoors and want to create the same warm and inviting spaces they've become accustomed to indoors," said Dan DiComo, business development manager for Renovation and Design.

Working alongside Romanza, the Renovation and Design team recently teamed up to fulfill one homeowner's desire to bring a 1974 condominium into the 21st century. By opening up spaces and tearing down walls, the teams were able to collaborate on a functional design that not only brought in more natural light from the outdoors but created clean lines with spectacular views of the water. The Romanza team also created a new design plan that opened up the entertaining area to the kitchen and breakfast nook that was further enhanced by the Renovation team's efforts to combine the spaces into an open kitchen and great room.

Other design trends taking the stage this season include updated takes on traditional designs with cleaner lines, luxurious materials and painted pieces as well as spa-like features in the master bath.

"We've continued to see more homeowners expanding master suites to include freestanding tubs, double vanities and water closets, all glass showers and direct access from the bathroom to the closet to reduce hallway space and increase closet or bath space," said DiComo.

In one stunning, custom estate in Port Royal, the Romanza team created a master suite with dual baths offering two spa-worthy retreats that create the feeling of a luxury resort – including one that brings the outside in as it showcases views of Cutlass Cove and the beautiful greens of mangroves on Keewaydin Island just across the water.



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Featuring a contemporary and sophisticated design, the first bath offers luxury marble and high-gloss cabinetry and Calcutta Borghini countertops while the second master suite bath presents rich granite countertops, floating wenge wood cabinetry and finely veined limestone surfaces on floor and shower walls.

"At the end of the day, our goal is to create spaces that homeowners will love for years to come – whether it's a new home that incorporates the latest design trends or a familiar space that melds together the past and the present," said Allen.

For more information about how to create an inspired personalized look in your home or reimagine a current home with today's design trends, contact Romanza Interior Design at 239.596.1613, London Bay Homes at 239.298.7605 or visit www.LondonBay.com.