



Refined Designs

A multifaceted career informs Kristin Parr's approach to singular spaces

Kristin Parr's foray into the world of design was kismet. Before elevating homes throughout Austin, she earned a degree in design and merchandising. Parr then honed her aesthetic eye in designing brands at global powerhouses Gucci and *Vogue* magazine.

Beyond the design sensibility strengthened through stints in New York, London, and Bermuda, time in the luxury fashion industry sharpened Parr's keen business prowess—something that informs every aspect of her work at Anna Gray Designs (named after her children, Anna and Grayson).

"While working at Gucci Group N.V., I collaborated closely with the group's myriad brands and across departments, gaining insight into how each functioned," says Parr. Coordinating events and building brands cultivated strong managerial skills that shine in a design industry known for tight timelines and post-COVID-19 procurement issues.

With this intuition and know-how, Parr approaches spaces through relationships first, observing clients' lifestyles and understanding their preferred aesthetic before offering suggestions for ways to improve form and function. Be it a coastal retreat made fresh with industrial gunmetal finishings, or a quintessential Southwest ranch reimaged with a modern Spanish flair, every detail is meticulously considered to create spaces that exude feelings of home.

Parr's way of turning visions into habitable realities has gained the praise of clients and peers, recently earning her the award in the Details: Accents & Decor category at Austin Home's Home & Design Awards.

"Design isn't just my job; it's my passion," she says. "I love to transform spaces in ways better than imagined and to see clients' joy when it's completed."

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TOP, FROM LEFT: Designer Kristin Parr. Sleek white cabinets are illuminated with soft toe kick lighting. **MIDDLE:** In this primary bathroom, seamless glass enhances the luxe allure of an edgy aesthetic. **BOTTOM, FROM LEFT:** Warm woven chairs and contemporary art add a coastal flair to a dining space. A modern canopy bed grounds a bedroom. Built by Serra Construction. Photos by Architect Photos.