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INSPIRED SPACES

Brian Murray's award-winning interiors bring dreams to life and inspiration home.

An orange lichen blooming improbably against the gray of a castle wall. Ferns sprouting green and lush through the dry cracks of stones. The blue waters of a far-flung sea framing a sparkling horizon.

Traveling has offered a wellspring of inspiration for Brian Murray over the course of his more than 20-year career in interior design. It is a vast mental catalogue of impressions he refers to often in the layering of color, texture, and pattern, but it is Murray's clients themselves who ultimately ignite the creative spark that enlivens his highly personalized work.

"I love telling my clients' stories in their spaces," he says. "Shaping the aesthetic to reflect who they are and incorporating their art, personal objects, and furniture in a cohesive way add depth and meaning to a home."

Murray, allied ASID, founder and principal designer of Brian H Murray Interior Design, brings an artist's sensibility to the new builds and whole-home remodels that fill his award-winning portfolio. Supporting each unique design is a creative exploration grounded in helping clients express their own style in a way that is as functional as it is beautiful.



How the space should feel is the first, and most important, question he will ask in the design phase, Murray says. Cool or warm? Cozy or airy? Soft or sharp? From there, the process flows into creating a cohesive vernacular that embraces that vision. From farmhouse chic to global luxury to art inspired, every home is singular in both inspiration and execution.

"Creating the space of your dreams is our goal," Murray says. "Taking that journey is always exciting."

