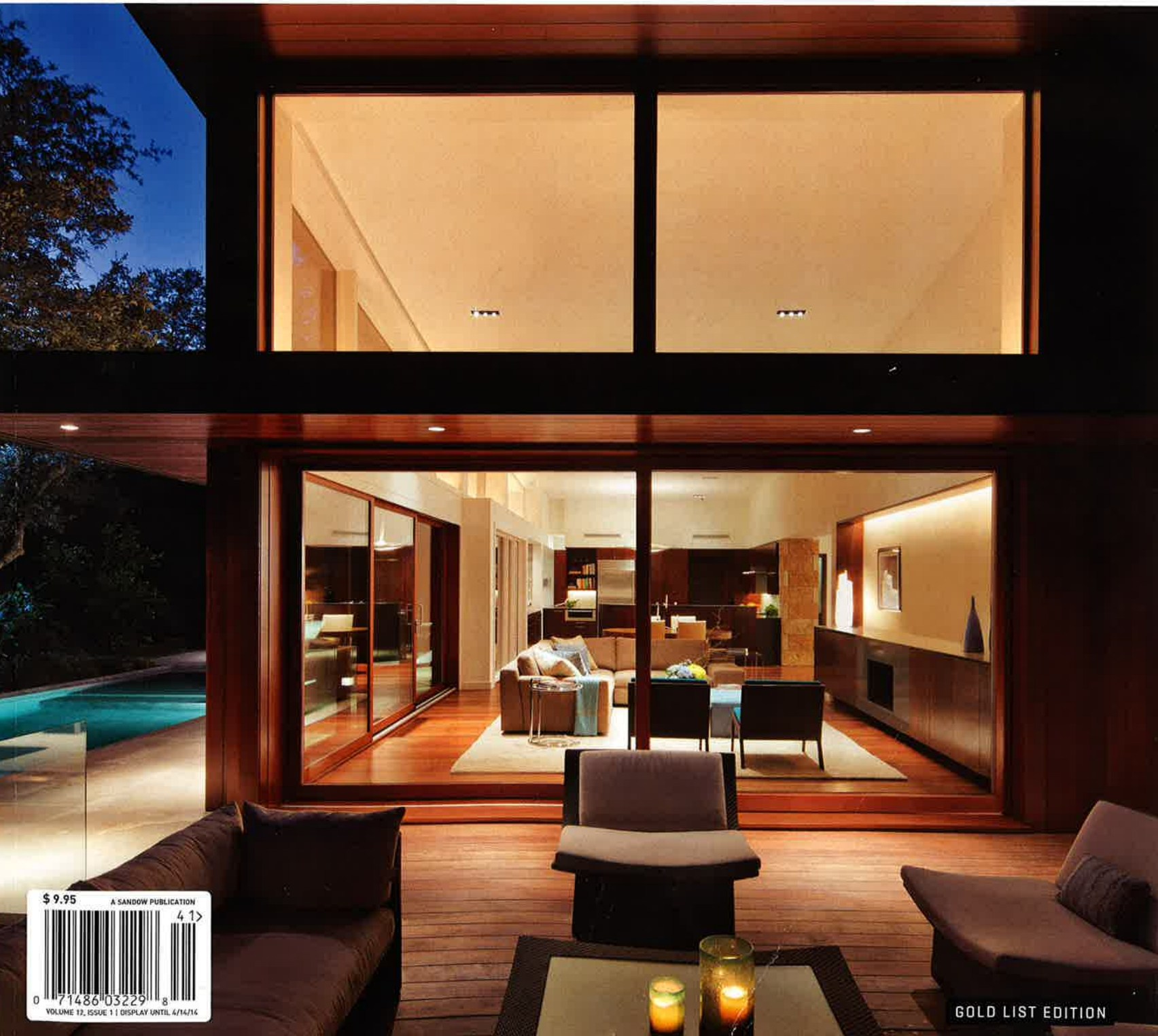


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# TREE HOUSE

CREATING A MODERN FRAME FOR VIEWS OF ANCIENT OAKS AND  
THE CITY BEYOND, AN AUSTIN HOME IS BOTH ELEGANT AND CASUAL.

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Kolbe & Kolbe windows look onto the pool, designed by Miró Rivera Architects, and are framed by local limestone and the structure's Western red cedar cladding. Furnishings include a Dedon table surrounded by Forest chairs from Janus et Cie and lounges by Brown Jordan from Exteriors Designer Showroom.





The guest bath was created to incorporate a curved design element as a focal point. A mahogany surround, back wall and overhang was fabricated for an Andrea tub by MTI. Kohler's Purist fixtures can be seen as well as Janus et Cie's Forest chairs outside.

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sophisticated yet casual enough for the owners. "We're an active family, so we didn't want spaces and furnishings that made parts of our house off-limits," says the wife.

Outside, landscape architect Curt Arnette "married contemporary aspects with native foliage already growing on the lot." Gravel paths inset with square pavers nod to the building's lines, and stone used inside by the architects was deployed outside on retaining walls of terraced lawns. The sculptural quality of drought- and deer-resistant plants such as yuccas, agaves and palmettos also complement the architecture, while roses and perennials soften things out back.

"It was such an enjoyable experience," concludes the wife. "We all had pieces to contribute, and by listening to each other we accomplished something beautiful." And the trees would happily agree. **L**