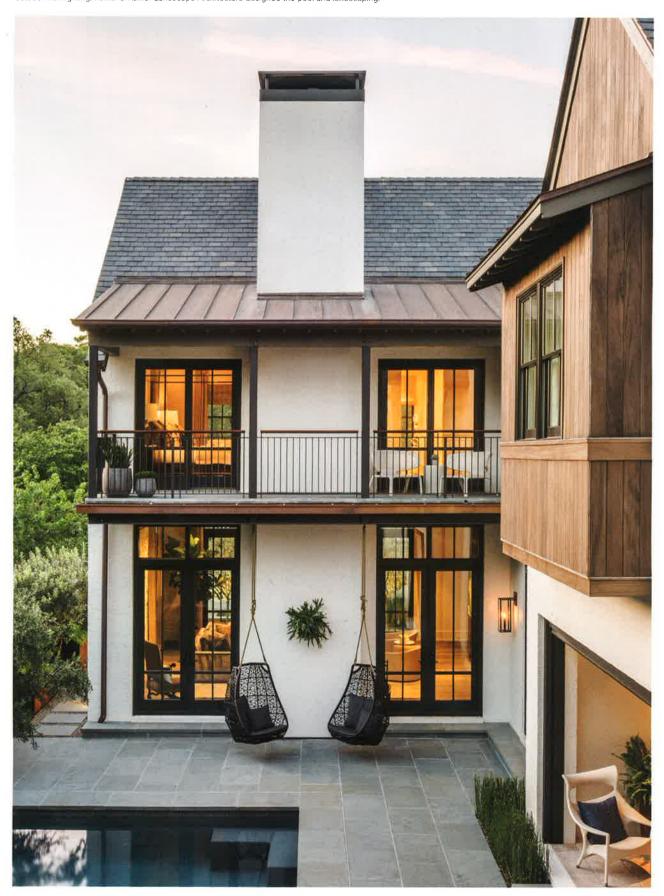
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Pennsylvania bluestone and a grade-level ipe-wood deck surround the swimming pool, while Kettal's Maia egg swings from Internum encourage spending time outside, Peck & Company fabricated the custom outdoor wall lighting, Kainer & Kainer Landscape Architecture designed the pool and landscaping,





A custom glass chandelier makes an equally grand statement in the open and spacious kitchen, which the couple envisioned as the center of their home. "We love to entertain, and we gather weekly for a meal with friends," the wife says. Appliances are concealed behind custom cabinetry accented by a glazed claybrick backsplash and a clean-lined plaster hood. By contrast, wenge wood covers the base of the kitchen island, which features an elevated dining portion for extra seating that was constructed using four reclaimed hickory beams.

Things become softer and more subdued upstairs in the master suite, where light-colored walls and vaulted wood-covered ceilings form a bright and airy retreat that further underscores the home's indoor-outdoor connection, "I wanted it to feel like we're in a tree house," the wife explains, pointing to the giant oak tree canopies visible through the windows. The room is replete with a four-poster bed flanked by end tables that "add a clean edge to the space," Mann says, while a pair of plush upholstered chairs offer cozy seating.

Recalling the relaxation the couple's new residence brings them, the wife says, "there's a calmness about our home, even when life is completely chaotic," And for the architect, the structure is also proof it is possible to create a house that engages the outdoors in tough climates, imparting a sense of peace only outdoor living can provide, "It exceeded all of our expectations," Miller says, LE

Sporting travertine floor tile from Materials Marketing and glass doors by Western Window Systems that nest into the walls, the covered outdoor patio allows for a seamless transition from outdoors to inside. The swing—an RH sofa modified by Lozano Upholstery with a metal base and large ropes—sways in front of a coffee table from Area; the white chairs from Janus et Cie pair with a side table from Found.