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TEN DESIGN PROS FIND ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JUST ABOUT EVERY SPACE IN THE HOUSE

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Considering a whole-house redo but unsure where to begin? A **single-space** makeover can revitalize your home and inspire the design of your dreams.

From master bath to bedroom to living space, **ten design pros** share how they took on a room and scored a winning look.



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Style of home: This center-hall Colonial was designed by architect Paul Shainberg with interiors by Morgan Harrison Home. The elegant and classic home, with its roots in tradition, is a mix of clean lines and modern influences. The design is a balance of details with restraint—layered colors and textures through fabrics and finishes and a variety of art mediums. The owners, a young family from Chicago, are keen travelers and wanted their interest in culture, art and lifestyle to shine through the design. The design of the home is about considered layers of texture, color and the use of pattern in just the right places. Art is also special—layered and diverse in medium—elevating each space and creating opportunities to imagine.

Describe the vision: We wanted a blend of textures and materials as well as a soft neutral palette with greiges (as I like to call them) mixed with shades of blue. I wanted it to be eclectic and mixed as if collected over time to reflect the clients' travels. The art is collected as well and varied in medium.

First thing purchased: We started with the large David Burdeny photograph. Next was the Tibetan rug. We wanted that to be the star of the space with its pattern play, and for the rest of the furnishings to be more neutral. The third most important element was the design of the fireplace.

Why it works: The flow—the room is long and narrow, as it must be passed through to get to the library. To maximize the use of the space

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and open the flow for entertaining, we used an open-back chaise to open up the room for various seating areas.

Resources:

Interior designer: Morgan Harrison Home, New Canaan; 203-594-7875; morganharrisonhome.com

Architect: Paul Shainberg Architects, Rye, NY; 914-967-3474; shainbergarchitects.com

Builder: H&Y Construction, Brookfield; 203-775-2246; hyconstruction.com

