

Furniture

Areas that open to the outdoors or get a lot of moisture require furnishings made with mildew- or rust-resistant materials like aluminum or treated wrought iron. “Teak is superheavy, and it can be hard to care for,” says designer Michelle Gerson. Large sectionals customized with performance fabrics, cocktail tables in treated wood or stone, and lightweight seating in weatherproof materials like wicker or water-repelling mesh are also popular in pool houses that serve myriad functions.

Mixing in uniquely curated accoutrements can personalize a pool house and add to its resort-like vibe. Lau selected pieces in Veuve Clicquot orange to match a client’s beverage of choice, Elizabeth Lawrence covered a ceiling punctuated with a Spanish chandelier from Carlos de la Puente Antiques in grassy green lattice, and Gerson incorporated an Argentine grill as well as a pizza oven imported from Italy for a homeowner who loves to cook. “We’re not designing pool houses to be so specific,” states Dixon, “but to be flexible so that as the time of day changes, the time of year changes, the client’s needs change, they can be adapted.” —JILL SIERACKI

Remo glasses
by ARMANI/CASA;
armani.com



Clique outdoor seating with parasol by
PAOLA LENTI; paolalenti.it



Double Vision small bench by
NICK MISSEL from FRAMPTON CO;
framptonco.com



LOUIS VUITTON OBJETS NOMADES
Signature sofa by FRANK CHOU;
us.louisvuitton.com



Yachting beach towel
by HERMÈS; hermes.com



Stan Dixon drew from Bahamian and Grecian influences for this airy Palm Beach pavilion.


OUTSIDE THE LINES

Grounded in tradition and leavened with lively contemporary art, a St. Louis family home is anything but conventional—not least its path to completion

Lush gardens landscaped by Michael Van Valkenburgh surround the pool house of a suburban St. Louis residence conceived by architect Peter Rose with interiors by designer Heather Wells. A Katherine Bradford painting overlooks modular Usona sofas paired with a rounded chair and poufs by Paola Lenti, which also designed the chairs on the terrace. For details see Sources.

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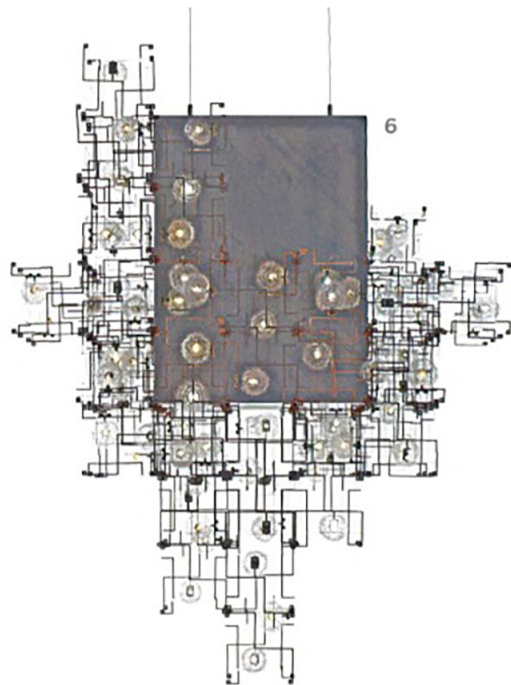




Paola Lenti chaise longues
and Martha Sturdy side tables
line the poolside terrace
shaded by a brise-soleil with
elegantly curved fins.



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Scandinavian," with floor-to-ceiling windows lending a "SoHo feel." The furnishings include a credenza from **BDDW**, a custom sectional by **Fern**, and a **B&B Italia** cocktail table. bddw.com, ferny.com, bebitalia.com

5 Sheathed in Vermont Verde Antique stone, the pool court evokes architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe's famed Barcelona Pavilion. "It feels like you're retreating," says Wells. An Alaskan cedar brise-soleil shades a row of chic sun beds by **Paola Lenti**. paolalenti.it

6 "It brings a moment of delicacy," remarks Wells of the lounge's **Drift** light sculpture, which contains real dandelion seeds adhered one by one to each tiny LED bulb. "It's dramatic but not heavy." carpentersworkshopgallery.com

7 Animating the entry hall is a poetic **Pat Steir** painting, *Red for Hong Kong*, which comes from a series that Lévy Gorvy debuted at Art Basel Hong Kong in 2018. "It's like having an exclamation point right off the bat," says Wells. levygorvy.com

8 A sculpture by New York artist **Arlene Shechet** graces a corner of the library, appearing almost like an exotic fossil. "We love the crafted texture of it," says Wells. This 2020 piece, made of brightly glazed ceramic and painted steel, was created during the first pandemic quarantine as a beacon of spiritual nourishment and was displayed at Pace Gallery's East Hampton location that summer. pacegallery.com



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