

**sky-  
high**  
*Style*  
in a  
one-story  
house



**living room** Originally the living space in the Fisher family's house was only 8 feet tall—not so impressive. Vaulting it to 12 feet and hanging long striped curtains created tons more presence. Large lantern-style pendants from circalighting.com emphasize the height. For coziness, double sofas flush with bright pillows and a pattern-happy armchair surround a wood coffee table by Sarreid Ltd. The fringe-wrapped table lamps are by Arteriors Home.

A couple makes their place big-time chic by starting neutral, then sprinkling in color, pattern, and glitz.



A graphite gray exterior (Mt. Rushmore) and a blue door (Lily Pond Blue, both by Kelly-Moore): nice combo!

**F**or years Mandy and Andrew Fisher lived in a traditional two-story house in Portland, OR, with plenty of room for them and their three kids. But when they relocated to Lafayette, CA, they discovered that two-floor homes in the Bay Area were few and far between. No problem: "We liked the idea of everyone being together on one level," says Mandy. "We just didn't want to be crashing into one another!" They settled on a barely updated 1965 ranch house, with big visions for it. First up: blowing out its 2,100 square feet to 3,100. They also created an open common area and raised the low ceilings in the living room, dining room, and master bedroom. Designer Jeffrey Neve made sure the home's style was as impressive as the expanded floor plan he helped with. He kept the walls neutral, then brought in sophisticated-yet-simple furniture, revved up accessories, and distinctive lighting. Now their place feels like it's just the right size, with all the right stuff—even with the addition of two dogs. Says Mandy, "It's gorgeous and spacious, and we've never once missed having a second floor."



**kitchen** Shaker-style cabinets painted white (Swiss Coffee by Kelly-Moore) and gray-veined Silestone quartz countertops are timeless, while the graphic terra-cotta tile backsplash by Tabarka Studio is a standout. "The black-and-white palette makes the pattern not so busy," says Mandy. Turned legs and an espresso stain give the island—home to 7-year-old Vivian's Play-Doh marathons—the look of freestanding furniture. The stools are from Arteriors Home.

Mandy enjoying an easygoing morning with Mack, 12, Ella, 14, and goldendoodle Ollie



**dining room** A grand ceiling calls for a glorious fireplace. The Fishers had the original brick one re-covered in stone veneer; the mantel is made from an old fence that was on the property. "It's important to us to keep the spirit of the home alive," says Mandy. She loves how the clear chairs by Zuo that surround the table play off the glass chandelier by Robert Abbey. A lively teal rug from Uttermost (almost) steals the show.

**bar area** Tucked between the kitchen and the dining room lies this posh bar setup, an Andrew request. "I told him, 'This is your 5 feet, but that's all you get!'" Mandy jokes. He does share a little—the fridge holds seltzers and other kid-friendly pours. The cabinets, in the same finish as the island, have brass hardware by Manzoni. For vintage flair, designer Jeffrey added a mottled mirror backsplash and a display of old liquor bottles.



**wall color**

Fine Grain by  
Dunn-Edwards

**master bedroom** Curvy blue lamps, a linen-upholstered bed frame from Stanley Furniture, and a teal leather-upholstered bench from overstock.com glam it up—yet Mandy also wanted a laid-back vibe that said, “Let’s all get in bed and watch a movie.” (It’s a Sunday-night family tradition.) That’s why she went with mismatched but compatible nightstands; the 100-year-old table on the right belonged to Andrew’s grandma. The cozy bedding is from Pottery Barn.



**bathroom** “There’s no window in here, so we added a large mirror, though this space still needed excitement,” says Mandy. That explains the bold geometric wallpaper by Phillip Jeffries and a light fixture from Crystorama that brings the *ooh la la* overhead. A dark wood vanity with a traditional-style bronze faucet balances them out.

**vivian's bedroom** The way to win a lavender-loving 7-year-old’s heart: with a sweet shade on the walls and lilac dotted curtains from PBteen. The trundle bed from Stanley Furniture is practically made for sleepovers...or reading *The Baby-sitters Club* books at bedtime. For even more pretty power, Mandy chose a delicate floral-inspired capiz shell light from Pottery Barn.

**wall color**

Icy Lavender by  
Dunn-Edwards



**mudroom** Aiming for a stylish drop spot that didn't seem the least bit like a dumping ground, Mandy painted the door black (Black Bay by Dunn-Edwards) and the built-ins white. Wire baskets hold sports equipment and doggy gear. The bar-height desk is equally comfy for sitting or standing, though, says Mandy, "with three kids, I'm never there long enough to sit down!"



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**front yard** "From the start we knew we'd want to spend a lot of time on the front patio," says Mandy. Most weekends she and Andrew chill around the firepit and watch the kids bike and ride scooters on their street. The wood trellis they added offers shade on sunny days; a bench from Design Within Reach makes room for visitors.

“Our patio is super social. When we’re here, someone always stops by to say hi.”  
—Mandy

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get the  
look



**bench**  
Jasper Laine Studio Healy 48"W x 18"D x 18"H leather and metal bench in teal, \$165, overstock.com



**chair**  
Brant chenille and wood chair in Declan berry and ebony finish, \$1,869, ethanallen.com



**dining table**  
Fortville 78¾"W x 39½"D x 30"H wood table in antique white finish, \$720, birchlane.com

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**chair**  
Mercer41  
Oakdene plastic chair in clear, \$84, wayfair.com



**art**  
*Mingle* by Julie Song Ink  
11" x 14" print in charcoal with rich black wood frame, \$99, minted.com



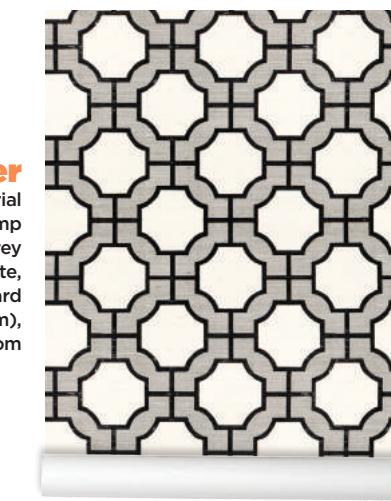
**rug**  
Markowski 8' x 10' polyester rug in blue, \$530, allmodern.com



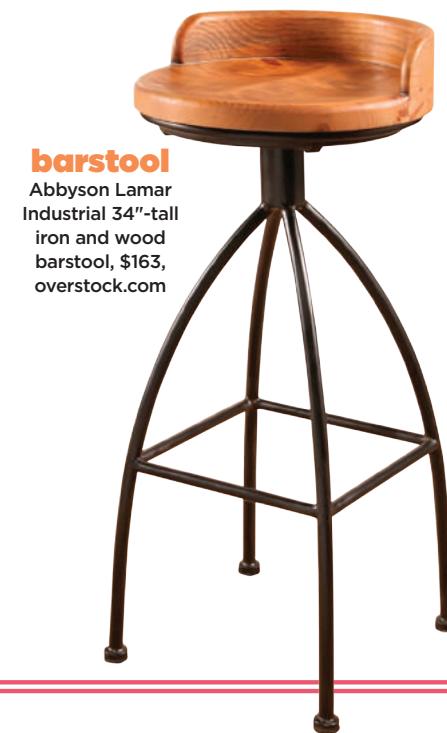
**side table**  
Crewkerne  
Eyelet 20¼"H x 16"-diameter glass and metal table in gold finish, \$109, jossandmain.com



Clockwise from left: Bungalow Rose Earnhardt Colorful Paisley 18" x 18" polyester-blend pillow, \$33, wayfair.com; Flanged 18" x 18" velvet pillow in teal, \$25, pier1.com; Pillow Pretty Gingham 13" x 21" polyester pillow in pink, \$38.50, zazzle.com



**wallpaper**  
Phillip Jeffries Imperial Gates Manila hemp wallpaper in grey and black on white, \$81.50 per yard (24-yard minimum), decoratorsbest.com



**barstool**  
Abbyson Lamar Industrial 34"-tall iron and wood barstool, \$163, overstock.com



**chandelier**  
Celeste 32"-diameter metal and glass chandelier in antique brass finish, \$800, overstock.com