

Interesting inside elements include a beautiful staircase that looks like a Japanese Tansu chest, built by Kauffman. "Greene & Greene were influenced by the Japanese architecture they saw at the World's Columbian Exhibition in Chicago," said Turner, "their work gained an Eastern influence from then on."

Kauffman, who also builds guitars, used spruce, rosewood and ebony to decorate the upstairs master suite. He owns an extensive library on the art of the two brothers and has built numerous commissioned Greene & Greene furniture.

The last home does not belong to a craftsman, but to a Moraga family who fell in love with the style. "I worked in downtown Palo Alto and loved the bungalows there," says home owner Sabine Hathaway, "then I visited the Thorsen house in Berkeley (the only Northern California Greene & Greene) and was inspired by it."

Hathaway's remodel was one year in the making; the homeowners worked with architect Kenny Goodman and completely redesigned the interior and exterior of the house. They extended the entrance and created a porch with a stone base, very characteristic of the bungalow architecture. They chose red windows that contrast beautifully with the dark green-grey outside walls. The entrance opens to a dining room to the left and a sitting room where the chimney has been removed and the windows enlarged to add natural brightness.

The space has been designed to accommodate the antics that Hathaway suggests she got from her German family, and incorporates many metal and alabaster light features that go very well with the chosen style. In the entrance the two deep skylights are covered with exquisite stained glass panels. Slate is used extensively around the house and wall paintings roll out different shades of light grey that add to the luminosity of the house.

"We've been back in the house for four years now," says Hathaway, "the neighbors love it and it is a perfect space for our family."



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