

# The Washington Post House Calls

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## Bringing Out a Bedroom's Character

**Before**



### THE PROBLEM

“After putting so much work into the rest of the house, we think it is time we had our own private space to relax.”

**Homeowner:** Mimi Muir of Great Falls, on her bedroom; shown with husband Patrick



### THE SOLUTION

“Utilize soft, soothing colors, textures and clean lines to create a warm yet modern escape.”

**Designer:** Elysa Stahl of Elysa Stahl Design in Bethesda, 301-320-9484, [www.elysastahldesign.com](http://www.elysastahldesign.com)

### NOW WHAT

**Create** zones for separate activities, such as a distinct area in front of the fireplace with cozy reading chairs.

**Install** plenty of task lighting, which will help delineate the zones.

**Accentuate** the architecture by painting the ceiling beams and window shutters a different color than the walls and



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