

SPACE OF THE MONTH

An A+ Job

This rec room uses soothing pastels and warm wood tones to make its point.

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Meet the Owners

PAUL AND KRISTY BENSON

The husband-and-wife design team behind the Instagram account @bensondwelling love the retro vibes of an A-frame, so they jumped at the chance to buy this getaway in Pennsylvania's Pocono Mountains. The home's peak feature is the family lounge, where everyone congregates and kicks back for movie nights. (There's a hideaway projection screen mounted on one of the beams.)



Round coffee tables are ideal for spaces shared with kids—no sharp edges!

Get the Look

WALLS THAT WOW

It's tricky to hang art on an angled surface, so the Bensons turned the 26-foot walls into art by sanding them to bring out the wood grain. White beams add contrast to the expanse of cedar.

A PRETTY PALETTE

Soft colors balance out the angular architecture and keep the room feeling light and playful.

A IS FOR AERIE

To make the most of the room's height, the Bensons put a guest-bed loft at the tippy-top, accessible by a bookshelf-staircase creation they built.

ONE OF A KIND

The couple handmade many items (like those stairs and the coffee table), scoured Facebook Marketplace for vintage finds, and upgraded store-bought pieces (swapping out sofa feet for a set from Lowe's, for example).

TO BUY: Dolly Natural Bookcase, \$499; crateandbarrel.com. Round Tufted Velvet Pillows, \$17 each; worldmarket.com. Velvet Track Arm Sectional Sofa by Drew Barrymore Flower Home, \$1,100; walmart.com. Lucca Pillow Set, \$99 for 2; article.com. Prickly Pear Cactus, \$69; bloomscape.com. Pedestal Coffee Table, \$499; westelm.com. Jozy Throw Blanket, \$59; polyandbark.com.