



# ALL ABOUT *Bright*

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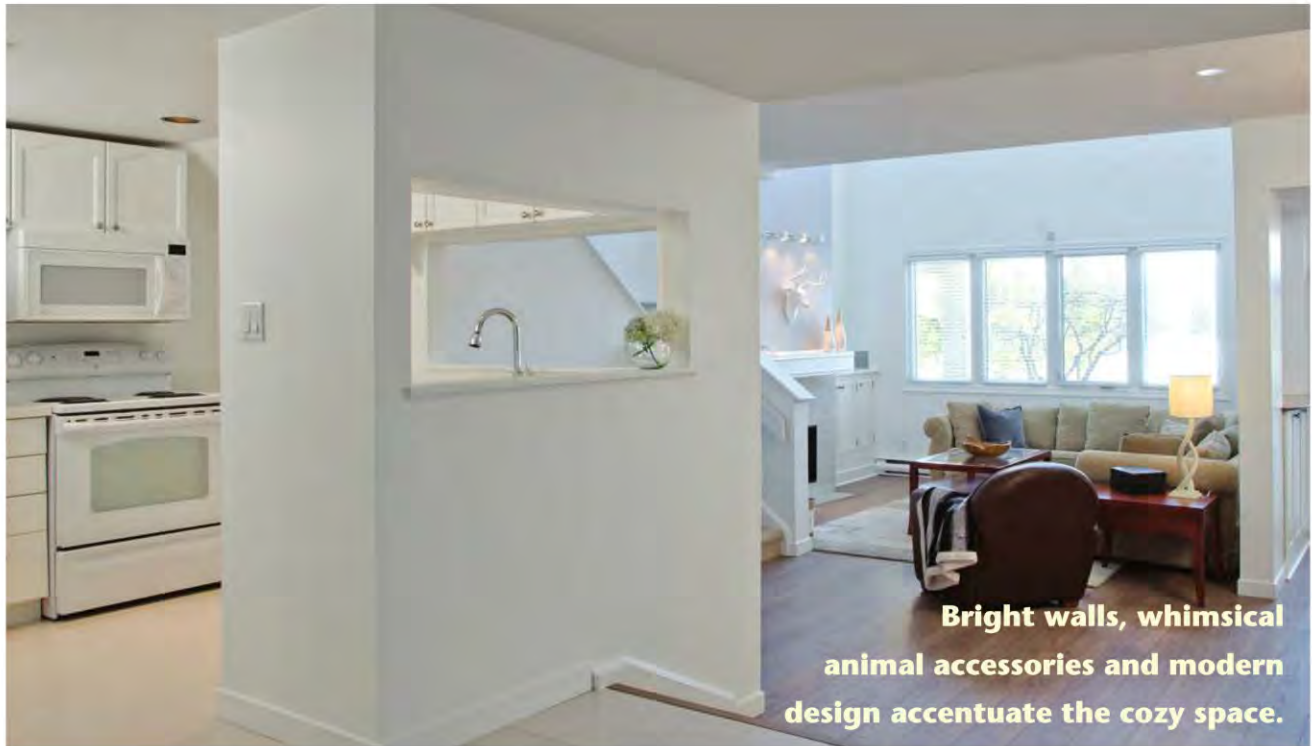
**Located** at the base of Blue Mountain Resort, this two storey, 1700 square foot townhouse has 3 bedrooms and 2.5 bathrooms and was built in the late 1980s. Although the previous owners had made several updates including replacing the original shag carpet, the current owners decided that it was finally time to bring in their own style and charm. They enlisted Rad Design Inc to help them with a simple, worry free, aesthetic upgrade to their weekend getaway while sticking to a strict budget.

The owners inherited most of the furniture in the living and dining rooms when they purchased the property, and found them to be in good condition. They asked the designer to work the vision around the existing pieces.

The original fireplace, with louvers and brass detailing, felt out-of-date in the now modern home, so the owners made a last minute decision to replace it. Rad chose a clear view, louverless design. The fireplace surround was retiled and the stack was painted a warm, custom mixed purple-grey to accentuate its shape and verticality. This colour was repeated behind the dining table as an accent wall.

The beige 'cardboard box' coloured walls, trims and doors were painted white (OC65 Chantilly Lace by Benjamin Moore). ➔

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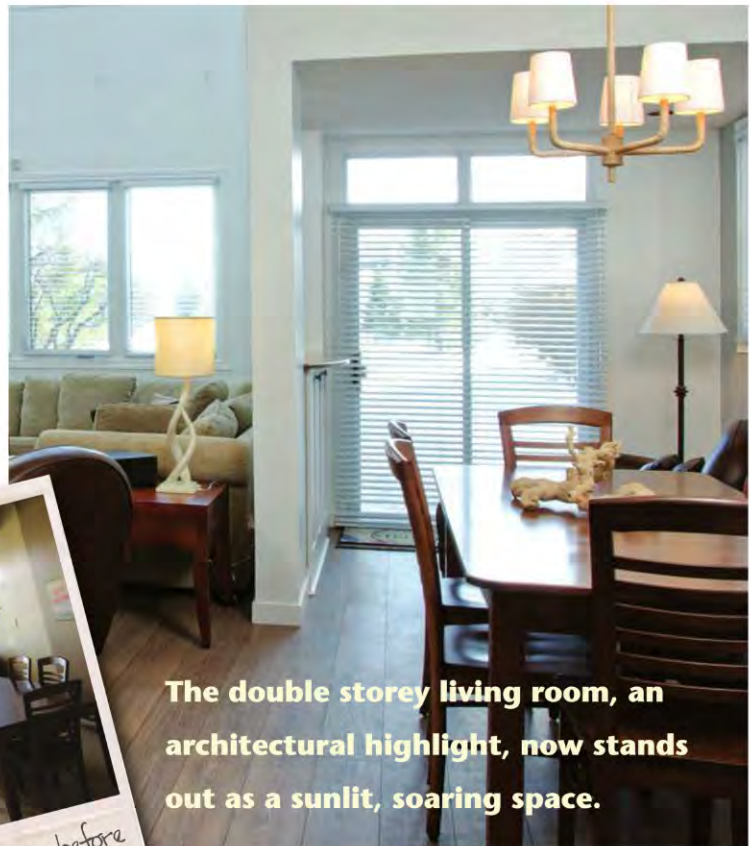


**Bright walls, whimsical animal accessories and modern design accentuate the cozy space.**

The owner's constrained budget did not allow for the kitchen cabinets to be replaced, but new appliances were a priority. Rad Design Inc kept the original cabinets but had them painted. The stained and damaged laminate countertop was replaced by a beautiful off-white Caesarstone countertop. To further modernize the space, the over-mount sink was replaced by a Canadian made, square profile Gemini sink with a new pull-out, spray faucet by Aquabraxx.

The tiles in the entrance foyer were cracked due to building settlement over the years and the entire area needed to be leveled, repaired and replaced. Contemporary, large tiles that seamlessly flow through the kitchen and powder room did the job beautifully. Such a difference.

The carpet in the living and dining rooms was replaced by high-grade European laminate flooring that looks almost identical to real wood but thankfully comes without the price tag. ➔



**The double storey living room, an architectural highlight, now stands out as a sunlit, soaring space.**



The upstairs bedrooms were furnished with all new, white, furniture sets from Macdonald's in Meaford and Rad Design Inc sourced new lighting and decor, keeping the clean, uncluttered, contemporary feel.



A priority in this update, was to renovate the decades old bathrooms. The original white laminate vanities had yellowed over time, and the two-piece toilets were out of date, stained and had poor water consumption. The upstairs bathrooms received sleek new floor tiles, which were simply placed on top of the old tiles to reduce the demolition mess on site. All 3 bathrooms received updated vanities and contemporary lighting fixtures, as well as new low flow Toto toilets.



Removing the wall around the entrance opened up the shower stall in the second bathroom. A new glass door and recessed lighting has provided plenty of light into the shower. Geometrically textured white tiles, a contemporary shower pan and a rain shower kit create a modern design.

The master bathroom has a new soaker tub with a clean, square profile and its own rain shower kit. The vanity in the master bathroom was upgraded from a single sink to a double sink.

Downstairs, new art, accessories and lighting were added to match the new feel of the townhome. The decor contains a combination of ski chalet and sailing themed accessories to stay true to the Blue Mountain's nature and activities both in the winter and summer months. |E|

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