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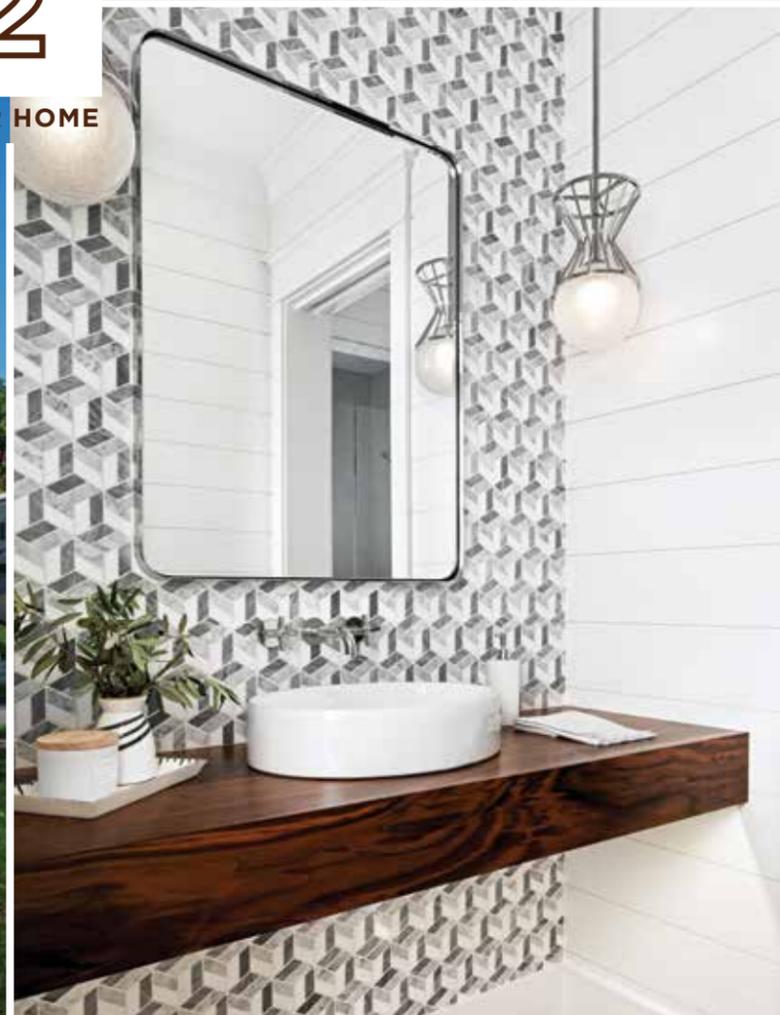
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OLD-FASHIONED SMALL-TOWN LIVING COMBINES WITH MODERN AMENITIES
IN THIS DREAM HOME ON LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY IN HARBOR SPRINGS.

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TOUR HOME



The shady streets of Harbor Springs, lined with Victorian summer cottages, look like something out of a storybook. When Rob and Vee Mossburg headquartered their design-and-build business, Cottage Company, here more than 20 years ago, they were determined not to change that, but to develop cottages that are in harmony with it. That philosophy is known as New Urbanism—a term that means building and renovating within existing cities and neighborhoods to decrease sprawl and to promote old-fashioned, close-knit communities.

To that end, this white clapboard cottage, with its exposed rafter tails and wide porches, nestles graciously into its neighborhood of 19th-century Victorian cottages on Bay Street in downtown Harbor Springs. Only the handsome, black-framed windows are a hint that something fresh is going on here. A reno perhaps?

That is precisely the reaction that Rob Mossburg likes to see when people view the brand-new home he built on a vacant lot at 275 E. Bay Street. Inside, six-inch planked white oak floors and shiplap walls continue the vintage cottage feel—while providing the backdrop for views of Little Traverse Bay across the street.

The Mossburgs' daughter, interior designer Kelly Konoske, outfitted the home with her own line of soothing, neutral-toned furniture, most upholstered in performance fabric (perfect for a vacation home's relaxed living), fun mid-century modern floor lamps and two-toned chrome-and-black hardware fixtures.

The timeless kitchen mixes cottage elements including shiplap walls and ceiling with a Euro-classic La Cornue Fe Range, a sophisticated marble-like quartz waterfall countertop and transitional frameless white cabinetry. A stunning glass-doored hutch, framed in black, mirrors a black-framed window across the kitchen. "Black doors are big for 2020," Kelly says.

Among the other stellar touches that the Mossburgs will point out in our 2020 Virtual Tour are the master bedroom, with its soothing color palette and view of Little Traverse Bay; the master bath, where a black-metal-and-glass wall divides the shower and free-standing tub area from the vanity area; and the pièce de résistance of this beautiful home—a rooftop deck that looks out over the bay and Harbor Springs' charming downtown.

Join the Mossburgs as they give you an up-close look at this stunning home on the Northern Home & Cottage 2020 Virtual Tour. 🏠