

PRETTY PORCHES

SERENE SOPHISTICATE

Design

Kelly Konoske, Cottage Company

Location

Harbor Springs

“A **GOOD FRONT PORCH** should welcome guests in and give them a snapshot or preview of what to expect when entering the home,” says designer Kelly Konoske. Additionally, she says, the porch should have an inviting ambiance created by elements like flower boxes and plants. “Any greenery that brings the landscape onto the porch is a must.”

The porch Kelly designed for this Harbor Springs’ home does all of the above. Windows with black mullions that contrast with the porch’s white walls, ceiling and millwork details echo the chic modern look of the home’s interior—as does the modern aluminum porch furniture outfitted with linen cushions. Pots of easy-to-grow succulents (they don’t need direct light!) add flourish to the teak coffee table.

The glass-paneled railing system lets in the view, while the space beneath the bottom rail allows easy sweeping of the AZEK synthetic floor that looks like wood but holds up to wet, sandy feet much better. Meanwhile, the classic coastal-style columns with their clean, flat panels frame the view of Little Traverse Bay across the street.

RESOURCES

Flooring: AZEK Coastline

Paint: Benjamin Moore Chantilly Lace

Furniture: RH Balmain teak coffee table; RH Balmain aluminum swivel lounge chair with nickel linen cushions; RH Balmain aluminum sofa with nickel linen cushions

Rug: Jaipur Living, Style: Rebecca

Green Pillow Fabrics: Thibaut Bayside

Pillows & Candle Hurricanes: HomeGoods



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