

## SPACES

# Collective Soul

A trove of globally sourced treasures adds drama to a North Shore family-room renovation.

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## The Problem

Two well-traveled art collectors needed a warm, comfortable living space where they could admire their keepsakes, and the small den in their Beverly Colonial wasn't going to cut it.

## The Solution

To accommodate the couple's modern tastes, designer Elizabeth Swartz knew the home needed more than just cosmetic changes. To create a more open, light-filled area, Swartz knocked down the wall between the family room and the parlor, then designed clean-lined cabinetry to show off the couple's many treasures, from Asian art to antiques. The final touch was a splash of color, in the form of bright, plush seating for cozy nights in. "It's a much more contemporary use of space," Swartz says.



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