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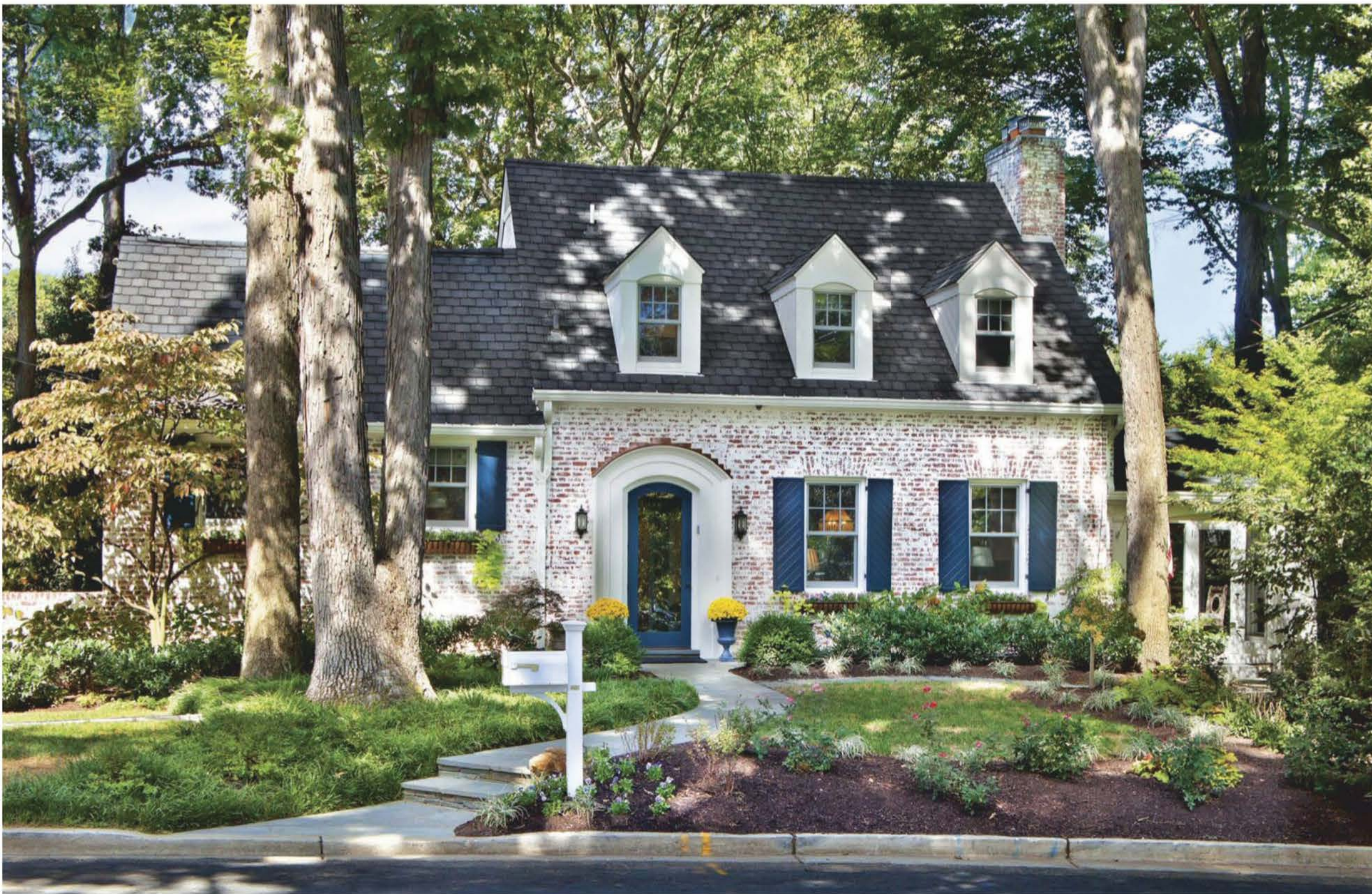


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Beach cottages from
surfside California to the sunny Florida coast

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Small *BUT* *Mighty*



An additional 1,000 square feet and a little German schmear adds eye-catching style to this historic Maryland home.

It was time for this 1930s Cape Cod-style cottage to receive some updates, but not without retaining the home's original charm. The cottage is located in the historic Westmoreland Hills neighborhood of Bethesda, Maryland, which meant that not only did the home have a history to maintain, but it had to fit into the neighborhood too.

"The homeowners' goal was to maintain the charm of the existing house while increasing the size to meet their family's needs," says architectural designer Anthony Wilder of Anthony Wilder Design/Build. "It was also important that they maintain the overall style of the home." To do this, Anthony added a three-story addition to the back of the structure. Inside, an open floorplan features architectural details such as window casings, arched doorways, wall paneling and wainscoting.

When it came to the exterior finish, the overall goal was historic charm. "The owners wanted a white-washed look, so they hired painters to lightly hand-scrape the exterior paint to reveal some of the red brick underneath," Anthony says. The final effect, combining the German schmear finish with navy blue shutters and white dormer windows, exudes a fresh vintage style for any cottage fan to love.

Know Your Elements

- **German schmear:** A brick or stone finish in which the whitewash has been partially chipped away to reveal the exposed brick or stone underneath.
- **Diagonal groove board and batten:** A wall or shutter finish with diagonal boards laid side by side to show off the grooves between the boards.