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Vintage Porch Swings have been featured several different times by Coastal Living Magazine including:

- May, 2011 (page 94)
- October, 2013 (featuring the Emerson)
- November, 2014 (pages 4, 27; custom design indoor bed)





Gale (above, with Bel and deRosset) and designer Kimberly Glenn chose paint for the porch from the Colors of Historic Charleston collection by Duron: Prioleau's Wharf for the floor and Piazza Blue for the ceiling. Opposite: The master bedroom is the only closed-off space on the open lower level.

Once the house was transported and put in place, the Thompsons set to work. The building's original beaded-board walls, huge double-hung windows, and heart-pine floors were in surprisingly good shape, but other structural elements, such as the exterior siding and the crumbling roof, had to be replaced. Furthermore, what the schoolhouse's interior offered in charm, it lacked in function. The two-room building had no kitchen or baths, and the layout wasn't suitable for a family of four. (The Thompsons have two daughters: Bel, 13, and deRosset, 10.) "We wanted to preserve the integrity of the structure without altering it, but the existing space just wasn't enough," says Gale.

Instead of enlarging the house's original footprint, the couple decided it would be simpler to break through to the attic. "We realized we could cut a hole in the ceiling for a staircase and easily add bedrooms and a bath for the girls under the pitched ceilings," says Gale. To make room on the main level, the couple removed half of a wall that ran through the middle of the schoolhouse to create an L-shaped kitchen, living, and dining space; the remaining corner of the rectangular building was enclosed for a master bedroom and bath. A screened porch now wraps around two sides of the house, increasing the living space to 2,400 square feet. "Because of the humidity, we tend to open up all the

Schoolhouse Style

In the Thompsons' hideaway, Charleston-based designer Kimberly Glenn put her decorating skills to the test. Tackle these seven essentials and you're sure to pass with flying colors, too.

CHALKBOARD PAINT

No vintage blackboard in your house? Paint a prime spot in a mudroom or laundry room, and start making lists; rustoleum.com.

A WORKING BELL

Take a cue from teacher: Hang a bell on a porch or outside a kitchen to get everyone's attention at mealtime; brassbell.com.

DESK DUTY

Don't confine desks to a home office; try one as a console, vanity, or even a nightstand. An A-plus option: the Parsons desk from westelm.com.

NAP TIME

Swap out a stiff sofa in the living room with a porch swing or a plush daybed—ideal for an afternoon snooze; vintageporchswings.com.

GLASS-SHADE FIXTURES

Their vintage styling evokes the ambience of early-20th-century schools; schoolhouseelectric.com.

CUBBIES

Keep mittens and boots organized in an entry or a mudroom; pbteen.com.

MAPS AND GLOBES

Even if you flunked geography, vintage maps and globes make a world of difference; murrayhudson.com.



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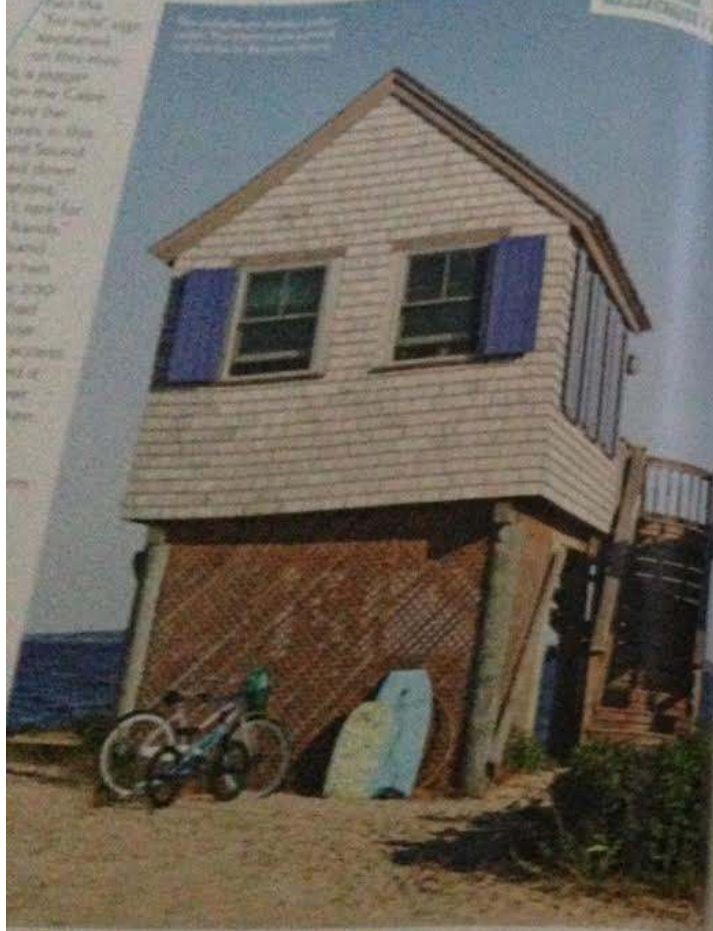
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2. **Paint a hot undertone.** For a warm, cozy atmosphere, choose a color palette that makes the most of the natural light. A rich, warm red, orange, or yellow will make the space feel more inviting and cozy.