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angle. A case in point is the architectural feature presented on page 94, which highlights the work of modernist architect John Bertram. Bertram is meticulous about fitting together every detail of a house, both indoors and out, in order to transform a mere dwelling into an exceptional home. Complementing the fine work of architects like Bertram are visionaries of another sort—like renowned landscape designer Nancy Power, who certifies that no home is complete without the accompaniment of inviting outdoor spaces. I am proud to have a selection of her magnificent home gardens

presented on page 64.

To highlight the “Home” theme for this issue, we carefully selected the Crescent Palm Villa in Palm Springs as the perfect place to stage our fashion feature, and we’re delighted with the way the

essence of the house complimented the elements of style in the clothing. The newly-renovated 1970s luxury vacation rental, located in the famed Old Las Palmas neighborhood at the foot of Mount San Jacinto, is just bursting with charm.

The creative masterminds behind the Crescent Palm restoration—Xorin Balbes and Paul Ashley—turned the house into a modern gem. Showcasing contemporary art pieces from Ida Kohlmeyer, Jean Seidenberg, Bob Gordy and Leonard Flettrich among others, this 5,500-square-foot designer home boasts 12-foot-high floor-to-ceiling glass walls, travertine floors, greenhouse skylights over the wet bar and terrarium, and a semi-tropical garden. It is a perfect hideaway!

But at the end of it all, a home is about much more than just the right design, the proper décor, or the best manicured lawn—it is about love and warmth. As we ready our homes to welcome our dear ones from near and far, let’s be ready to dish up those special ingredients that bind together the elements of brick and mortar to transform them into a welcoming home—kindness, comfort, joy and laughter. It is a place to build treasured memories that come to rest upon your couches and paint the walls of your abode. ☺

—Elizabeth TenHouten
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It’s that time of the year when we start planning for the upcoming holidays; after all, Thanksgiving is right around the corner, and most of us will be entertaining and spending time with close

family members right in our homes. This is the season when I take stock of my home—do my husband and I need to do any major redecorating, or should we just change a few elements for a new look? It is very important to me how our home looks, not only from the aesthetic point of view, but I also feel strongly that my home should reflect who I am and who my husband and I are as a family.

Even though I love the outdoors and I enjoy traveling and living life to the fullest—socializing with friends, shopping, sailing, and all the rest of it—at the end of the day I want to retreat to my home, which is my haven. My home is where I can do whatever I like, surrounded by the things I like and the memories that I cherish. The more complicated and stressful my life becomes, the more important it becomes to have a place of refuge; that is home.

A beautiful home can mean different things to different people in terms of design and style, but we can all admire a home that is well-designed and thought-out from every