



## Client Backstory

Chuck and Dee really wanted to bring a California feel to their north Raleigh home when they moved here. We took away the traditional white trim and transformed their living room into a tropical motif. With the services of a talented decorative artist, we were able to bring warmth and texture to the space with faux grass cloth in a soothing green colorway. Sconce lighting was added to for a decorative touch and to give some accent lighting to the walls.

The fireplace wall received a literal floor-to-ceiling makeover. Replacing the white picture frame moulding with a framed area covered in a natural fiber (ready for hanging artwork) was a much better use of the expansive space. The fireplace surround was done in a natural stone with a black granite hearth. The mantel was a custom design with the hospitality symbol of the pineapple as an important part of the design for the homeowners.

High ceilings and large windows allowed us to bring a darker wood tone and wall color to the room, which in a less voluminous area would not have been the right choice. A custom designed built-in entertainment center was installed to replace a white wood and glass unit that was not serviceable for the family. The columns were selected to add a slightly formal touch, but with the faux wood grain finish, the formality wasn't overwhelming.