



## HAMPTONS-INSPIRED CRAFTSMANSHIP

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**T**his home story begins with a staircase and a journey to the Hamptons to study a style of architecture that is nearly absent in Southern California, where echoes of a Spanish past are far more common than the vestiges of

**English American culture that define our nation's other shore.**

According to Philip Vertoch, Principal of Vertoch Design Architects, Inc., Ron Wynn's invitation to take in the beauty of a very traditionally painted wooden staircase at a shingle house in Malibu inspired the aforementioned trip, during which Vertoch took pictures of numerous period estates in order to document their casual elegance and renowned attention to detail before beginning the design process. Ron and his wife Leslie knew that they wanted to build a home that was a departure from the Mediterranean style so prevalent in Brentwood, but that would nonetheless meld seamlessly with their tree-filled neighborhood and casual, relaxed lifestyle. ▶



The Wynns