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## San Francisco, Calif.

This was my childhood home, and it was part of my inheritance in 2008. Built in 1960 as part of Sunstream Homes' Forest Knolls development in the heart of San Francisco, we have undertaken some much-needed maintenance and updating. We uncovered wonderful oak flooring, remodeled one bath (so far) and the kitchen, which included removing a wall between it and the dining room to take advantage of the great views. We replaced aluminum sliding windows with casements, as was original to the house, and repainted. New fences and landscaping are next on our list as we try to be sensitive to the great midcentury qualities of our house, while still making it a home for today. Thanks, Mom and Dad!

**John Burket & Rick Osmon**

## Palm Springs, Calif.

On a 114° day we started restoring the worst house on one of the best streets in the storied Racquet Club Estates. Designed by William Krisel for the Alexander Company and built in 1959, months were spent stripping away linoleum floors, a country kitchen and '80s bathrooms to reveal concrete floors waiting to be polished, post-and-beam ceilings, and a return to the home's original midcentury minimalist soul. We opened the back of the house to the outdoors, extended Krisel's original roofline over a new patio, added a pool inspired by Case Study House #21 and installed a period decorative block wall in front. We are proud that our home graces the entrance to this beautiful cul-de-sac preserving the Krisel and Alexander legacies in Palm Springs.

**Glen Miller & Michael Spain**

## Marietta, Ga.

In metro Atlanta, the 1920s bungalows get more attention, but the ranches definitely have a charm of their own. I bought my 1958 southwestern-style ranch in 2004 and have tried to maintain its originality while making modest improvements and upgrades. The house still has its jalousie windows, built-in ironing board and large exposed beams, but sometimes I do wish for an attic. The original Frigidaire fold-back cooktop is in storage, as is the jalousie kitchen door, and I may eventually get these restored. The place is small, quiet and a perfect fit for me.

**Tedd Toler**

We can always use homes for our fridge; send in a high-resolution photo or sharp snapshot and a couple of sentences about your cool pad for our next issues. See contacts page 9.



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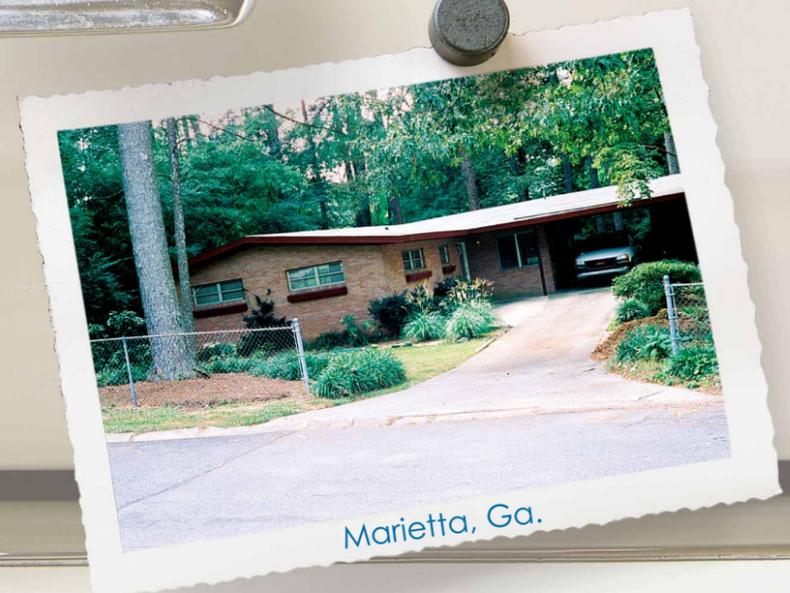


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