



Jennifer Bierkle and her husband are avid boaters and belong to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club, making this island escape a favorite weekend destination for their family of four. In fact, their trip via boat is a quick 15-minute ride across Lake St. Clair, compared to an hour-plus commute by car that also requires a ferry ride.

This lounge area was one of the new additions to the century-old cottage. The blue stone fireplace is surrounded by shiplap that was painted an even darker shade of blue to reinforce the nautical theme found throughout the cottage. The porch swing complements the casual nature of the space and is often fought over among visiting family and friends.

Teak wood lounge chairs: **CAI Designs**.  
Pillow fabrics: **Pindler**.

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The new porch addition is Jennifer's favorite part of the renovation. Find out why.

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