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There's nothing sweeter than designing for a Krispy Kreme executive and his family.

They wanted the foyer in their classic Myers Park home to be fun, so we covered the walls with Schumacher's iconic Birds & Butterflies wallpaper. From the minute you walk through the front door, the walls greet you and set the tone. The wallpaper is classic, light, airy, and, most of all, fun. We chose to take it all the way through the foyer and up the stairs. I'm a big believer in a dramatic foyer, with colors that follow you throughout the home. This paper is a fan favorite and adds that drama you want when walking through the front door.

Finding cohesiveness is one thing I strive to do when working on an entire first floor, and I am very systematic about it. Room by room, I create design boards, pulling pieces, fabrics, wallpapers, and colors, so nothing feels disjointed.

The dining space is calming but has drama with its dark walls and simple





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rug. (Don’t be afraid of dark walls; they can easily be punched up with light windows.) When working with a round table, it’s important to keep your rug to scale, and we got lucky when we found this square rug for this square space.

Continuing into the newly updated kitchen, custom-design company Fine Grit gave the cabinets a professional facelift. If you want your cabinets done right, Fine Grit is worth the investment. Not only can they change the color, but they can add-to and redo, giving you a whole new look.

The family room rounds out the first floor with similar colors, as well. A new U-shaped sectional gives everyone a place to stretch out.

I love a client who gives me one favorite inspiration idea and then lets me run with it. In this case, I was so happy it was the butterflies. ♦

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