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A lovely red brick traditional Georgian home on the water in Greenwich, CT, offers the best of all seasons with this glass solarium, which features myriad sitting areas within a cheery palette of blues, camels and whites. The room offers classic water views and luxurious front-row seats to the changing seasons, be it a glorious summer morning, a fall afternoon with fluttering leaves, or a gentle snow on a winter evening.

“The clients were looking for a place the family could entertain three to four times a year,” says Christina Roughan of Roughan Interiors. “The husband travels, and the places they go have a lot of outdoor conservatories. They loved that inspiration. They wanted to be able to enjoy the outdoors and bring it in, and have the ability to enjoy all four seasons.”

The design makes seasonal changes fun in this unique and functional space that features European NanaWall doors installed on a track. The glass doors open completely to the outside, flawlessly interlocking the sights, sounds and smells of the outdoors with the comforts and protection of the indoors. Screens slide down gently to keep bugs out. The delicate-looking window sheers—made for outdoor use, with synthetic fibers guarding against rips and fading—give the illusion of a fantastic getaway at a waterside resort.









The comfortable yet elegantly stylish neutral-colored sofa is custom made with outdoor fabric that withstands the elements and requires easy care. The stunning mold-resistant light-blue and camel-taupe carpeting is also made to hold up against the weather. "It's all outdoor fabric—you can't even tell," says Christina. "It's easier when it comes to stains, you can wash it, and there are so many different options."

The homeowners can gaze through the glass ceiling to watch the fluffy white clouds by day or the sparkling stars at night. Or they can shut out the world with the electric shades and enjoy the perfectly situated lighting that encases the entire room without being overpowering.

With an adjoining outdoor kitchen, firepit and additional seating, Christina and others on the design team, including Argos Development and Jones Byrne Margeotes Partners, created this indoor/outdoor enclave to capitalize on all that nature has to offer in a comfortable, inviting space, regardless of the time of year.

"The outdoor kitchen is great because you have more open space," says Christina. "It's all about grilling and being outdoors and spending time with family. It was a beautiful project to work on. It was so much fun."