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Snowbirds find a sunny Jersey Shore haven that's perfect for sharing with guests

Practically every space in this Mantoloking home, including the casual seating area, top right, overlooks Barnegat Bay.



INTERIOR DESIGN BY **NIKKI WILSON** AND **MARY JO MANTZ**
 ARCHITECTURE BY **JOHN J. LEDERER**
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FOR A RETIRED COUPLE LIVING IN MANTOLOKING, New Jersey, paradise is their recently built beach house overlooking Barnegat Bay. Nearly every room in the five-bedroom, four-and-a-half-bath residence has a sweeping view of the water, but for the homeowners, the construction and interior decoration have proved every bit as divine as nature's design outdoors.

The couple, snowbirds who winter in Naples, Florida, previously lived in Bay Head for 12 years but couldn't pass up the opportunity to purchase the waterfront property with boat access when it became available. They tore down an existing ranch on the lot and hired architect John J. Lederer of Bay Head to design the shingle-style home that took its place. The construction, led by Harrington Builders of Bay Head, took about a year and a half to complete.

To create their seaside utopia, the homeowners put considerable faith in their interior designers, Nikki Wilson and Mary Jo Mantz of Lawrence-Mayer-Wilson in Brielle. "It was enjoyable working with these clients because they