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THE MULTITASKING SCREENED PORCH

Architect and builder: Winn Design + Build Furnishings: Joe Waroquier

THE FAMILY IN THIS VIENNA HOME WANTED

a screened porch where they could dine, entertain, and just lounge. Oh, and there also had to be enough space for guests to mingle and flow comfortably. As a result, the final product clocks in at 700 square feet.

"It is the largest screen porch I believe we have ever built," says Michael Winn of Winn Design + Build. Originally, the clients wanted Winn to renovate their basement. But when the pandemic struck and his firm stopped doing interior projects, they decided to go ahead with the porch addition instead. The dining area has

a kitchen with a full fridge and a grill, and the living space features a gas fireplace and a TV.

The family is planning to build a pool and add more landscaping, so they wanted to maintain a view of the backyard from the porch. To keep sightlines open, Winn opted for a less bulky cable rail system and a high-transparency screen, and reduced the number of columns. Up top, six-by-six-foot pyramid-shaped skylights create drama. Even with its high ceilings and large floor plan, the porch has a cozy feel thanks to stained beams and a fireplace.

