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A REMODEL PRESERVES THE BEST OF THE '70S AND REFURBISHES THE REST

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Lip glass, beanbag chairs, chunky-heried shoes and the TV show Zoom

may be enjoying a revival, but some relics of the 1970s are better forgotten. Don't look for avocado appliances, low ceilings and sickly green fluorescent lighting to make a return anytime soon.



Unfortunately, many Northwest families are stuck with these relics—whether they still find them groovy or not. Such was the case with one couple and their Kitsap County vacation home, which boasted a timeless waterfront location and a not-so-timely '70s design

"I think the great temptation with a house like that is to throw away everything and reinvent it completely," says Lane Williams of Seattle-based Lane Williams Architects, "The good thing about those '70s houses is that some of them have an open floor plan that reflects how a family really lives. You have to get beyond fashion and look at the good things that might come with that '70s house."

