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# Packed with Purpose

Explore this Lowcountry cottage designed with thoughtful space-saving style ideas.



**B**efore Pennsylvania-based interior designer Lisa Furey and her husband, James Colton, built a custom dream home on their lakefront property in Palmetto Bluff, South Carolina, they began with a modest one-bedroom cottage as part of an intentional phased build. The charming 690-square-foot cottage was built in 2013, and every element of its design was carefully planned to help the small space live large.

As the project developed, the couple made a wish list

of requirements that ranged from a place to cook and entertain to a walk-in closet, large shower, and laundry room. "We always had a multifunctional space in mind," Lisa says of the cottage. Creative storage ideas like crisp white built-in cabinets to conceal the entertainment system in the living room and the office desk in the bedroom can be found throughout the cottage, as well as thoughtful space-saving design tricks like the sliding barn door to cover the stacked washer and dryer.