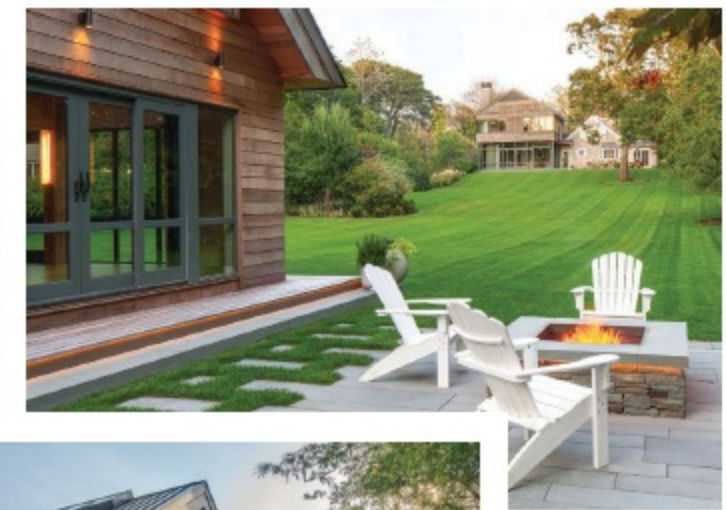




A Japanese maple tree shades a stone and stainless-steel outdoor kitchen. A bluestone terraca, geometrically intertwined—as if woven—with the grass on two sides, and surrounding a wood-burning fire pit, is just off the barn.



From top: The main house, an older Cape with a contemporary addition, is located across the field; a bocce court is shrouded by the site's plentiful mature trees.

SOCIAL SPHERE

A new barn geared for guests and entertaining is integrated with the verdant landscape to accommodate endless outdoor pursuits.

THE CONCEPT For the outdoor area around the barn, the goal was to extend the interior entertainment spaces. A built-in grill and fire pit were created on one side of the structure, and a bocce court was installed on the other. A cutting vegetable garden with fruit trees and a storage shed were also incorporated into the landscape. The expansive lawn acts as a connector between the barn and the main house with paving patterns, plantings, fencing and lighting to delineate and separate each outdoor space while also providing continuity. **THE MATERIALS** The barn sits on a plinth of bluestone and cedar. Terraces and walkways are made of bluestone. Big steel

doors and glass panels in the barn allow light and interaction to flow—interior to green space to interior again. **THE CHALLENGE** It was important that the secondary barn structure didn't overpower the guesthouse. This was achieved by orienting the long dimension of the barn perpendicular to the guesthouse and utilizing a sweeping shallow-pitch roof to allow the barn to appear to hug the ground. The barn also utilizes the lower grade at the rear of the property to reinforce its place in the overall site hierarchy. **THE TEAM** Architect, Builder & Landscape Architect: Polhemus Savery DaSilva Architects Builders, psdab.com ■