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When it comes to making a house a home, Jody Sokol is all about casual elegance. The Suffolk County designer believes in the less is more philosophy and that a room should be so much more than a space you walk in and out of.

“I never do anything crazy or over-the-top, that’s just not me,” says Sokol. “I love when you walk into a room every day and it feels good—comfortable, inviting, cozy and warm. A room that makes you happy, that’s what I strive for.”

For one particular project—a master bedroom and office space that belong to the owners of The Stony Brookside Bed & Bike Inn—Sokol was tasked with creating different textures, which make the home “organic and earthy.”

The designer doesn’t let trends dictate her direction. Instead, she selects materials that she and her clients love, and they are items that usually stand the test of time.

“Timeless casual elegance is what I go for. Anything that we decide to be trendy with would be in small doses and can be easily replaced,” says Sokol. “I love a spot where a person can linger with their morning coffee or book and you must have an area rug. Everyone likes a soft place to land in the morning.”



Opposite page: Let your bedroom be more than a place you rest your head. *Here:* An office space off the bedroom should be cohesive in design. Photo credits: Keith Scott Morton