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magine the excitement when a child discovers a hidden entrance behind a swing-away bookcase. The bookcase opens to a set of stairs leading to the highest level of the home. Anticipation builds as the child ascends the stairs until finally he or she pushes open the door and enters the best room of the house. This bunk/craft room is the perfect space for kids of all ages. A long concrete table, brightly painted storage cabinets, and a full sink add function. Whether finger-painting or doing homework, the space is designed to be fun, colorful, and comfortable.

Adjacent to the craft area are two custom-made bunk beds for sleepovers. Each bunk has individually controlled lamps for ghost stories or bedtime reading. Or, turn everything off and enjoy watching a movie from bed. Several of our clients have kids, and these bunk/craft rooms are becoming more and more popular.







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eaturing cedar walls, mahogany cabinetry, cigar storage, a barrel tile ceiling, and a ladder system, this humidity-controlled wine room (1) holds 1,972 bottles. The stairway to the living area has custom-turned woodwork, including newel posts and tower finials. Access is also possible via a wood-paneled elevator. 2) The gym in this home is pro quality. With architect Mel Dias, we ensured that floor supports could handle the dropping of heavy barbells. The gym has a second story with cardio equipment and a stretching area. Home automation delivers music, satellite TV, and security. The fitness area extends outside to a push-sled track and half basketball court. Few need a gym of this caliber, but many would enjoy a scaled-down version. 3) This rustic wine tasting room was inspired by the homeowner, who lived in France for several years as a young girl.





