

By Name and by Nature: A Home for Dr. Funk

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SMALL LAKESIDE COTTAGE → HOLIDAY HOME



Shrouded by trees and a heavy thatched roof, this home by the Baltic Sea has been transformed into a surprisingly light and breezy structure with an interior that is saturated with pastel pops of color. Occupied for over 60 years, the facade and interior surfaces were in bad shape, but the structure and roofing remained intact. The compact floor plan was redesigned for the client—aptly named Dr. Funk—to comfortably host his grandchildren and refresh the decades of deterioration. Light pink and dusty-rose checkerboard tiling is paired with mint-green walls in the living room and kitchen. The latter was expanded to be a large and central communal space. Lightweight pinewood timber is used throughout the communal areas, including on a built-in window seat beside a custom-made neon-yellow dining table overlooking the adjacent lake. Traces of bright yellow follow the woodwork through the kitchen, marking cabinetry touchpoints. This small lakeside cottage is now a sun-drenched, playful family home.

Large windows follow the perimeter of the pink, yellow, and mint kitchen and dining room, providing sweeping views of the lake and harmonizing the interior with the exterior palettes.