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1 Ben Edgerton whips up a batch of fall old-fashioned (he uses apple brandy in place of bourbon) for cocktail hour under the oak tree. **2** The rear porch is a favorite family hangout and the prime bird-viewing perch. **3** Photos, notes, and sketches by family and friends recall past gatherings at the river house. Martha has a tradition of photographing all her guests on the same blue bench next to the front door. **4 & 5** Ann and Ben's nieces Thea Claire (on left) and Frances (on right) collect rocks from the Llano riverbed and paint them to use as place holders for dinner. **6** The three bedrooms, including this one with two bunk bed sets (twin mattresses on top, queens on the bottom), adapt to crowds large or small. "The house can sleep as many as 16 if you do it just right," Ann says.