

THE HAMPTONS DESIGN GUIDE 2021

YOUR HAMPTONS
DREAM HOME
BUILT TO PERFECTION
FANTASY KITCHENS
AND BATHS
THE GREAT OUTDOORS
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BUILDING 101: WORTH THE SPLURGE

"The best new houses feature finished basements with oversize windows and below-grade courtyards that bring light and air into the space."

—Bruce A. T. Siska



"A three-plus-car garage is essential for big families and people who spend the bulk of their time out East."

—Pamela Glazer

"Home automation—particularly lighting and shade controls, and even controlled screens on the porch—has never been more essential. A house without automation has no flexibility for the future."

—James Merrell

LEFT: RICHARD POWERS (AUGUST 2020); RIGHT: TRIA GIOVAN (AUGUST 2020)

THE OPTIMAL CLIENT-ARCHITECT RELATIONSHIP



"Be realistic about your budget. Architects have to work with solid numbers and create a design scheme that meets your bottom line."

—Amado M. Ortiz

"Everything comes down to communication, and that begins at the first meeting. Clients need to communicate what they are looking for, and architects need to communicate their design vision."

—Bruce A. T. Siska

"As in all relationships, being honest and straightforward is key. Not speaking up only impedes the process and product."

—Kitty McCoy

"Architects have to listen, and at the same time, clients have to realize that a positive design process is going to change their lives."

—James Merrell

"Allowing clients to participate and making their viewpoint critical helps an architect earn trust. Without trust, it's very difficult to move forward."

—Pamela Glazer



TOP: MICHAEL DONNELLY (AUGUST 15, 2013); BOTTOM: PETER MURDOCK (AUGUST 15, 2019)

WHAT DO HOMEOWNERS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT HIRING AN ARCHITECT?



"If you interview enough architects, you will get the right person. It's all about establishing the right fit." —James Merrell

"From design to finished product, it's not going to happen overnight. The process involves working with outside professionals, and that process needs to be understood."

—Bruce A. T. Siska

"Homeowners should look at an architect's past projects and inquire about timelines and schedules."

—Kitty McCoy

"You're looking for someone to guide you to understanding who you want to be and how to express yourself. The process is one of discovery, and statement houses are not about discovery. Design is about discovery."

—James Merrell

WHAT'S THE DIF?



SHAKES OR SHINGLES?

"They're not interchangeable. Shakes are traditionally hand-split, thick, and more expensive, whereas shingles are usually factory-sawn, thinner, and less expensive."

—Amado M. Ortiz



BEAMS OR COLUMNS?

"People often confuse beams, which are horizontal, with columns, which are vertical."

—Pamela Glazer



TOP: FRANK OUDERMAN (AUGUST 15, 2015)



SHOULD A REALLY OLD HOUSE BE TORN DOWN?

"Most people think that if you can't restore an old house, you have to demolish it. But the feeling and spirit of an old house, even when it can't be restored, can be captured in a reinterpretation that keeps the historical connection alive."

—James Merrell

TRIA GIOVANI (JULY 2020)

TOP FIVE WHAT CLIENTS WANT NOW

1 "Maximized views, especially on waterfront property." —Amado M. Ortiz



2 "Outdoor entertaining and living spaces: porches, pergolas, terraces, or patios with firepits or fireplaces, and an outdoor kitchen or grilling station." —Kitty McCoy

3 "Rooms that play multiple roles, like a bedroom that can also function as an office."

—Bruce A. T. Siska



4 "Rooms that can be closed off. Now that everyone is working from home, clients are no longer requesting open floor plans."

—Pamela Glazer

5 "Screened-in porches, which can become second living spaces used late into the year."

—Amado M. Ortiz

