



## The Site

The Fox Hollow Residence, located in Eugene, OR, is oriented for maximum exposure to the sun and views of the stunning nearby mountains. With a southwest exposure and sight lines all the way to the coast range, the site of the Fox Hollow house was specifically designed to capture the views from every room.





## **Preliminary Design**

Designs for the Fox Hollow Residence feature three distinct sections: one for utility, one for living, and one for a bedroom. With the living spaces accessible on the same level, the residence is effectively compartmentalized into three lofted apartments. The resulting smaller-

scale structures reduce the environmental impact of the home on the site. In the living room, walls stretch two-stories high, making them a perfect place for the art-collecting owners to display their favorite pieces.

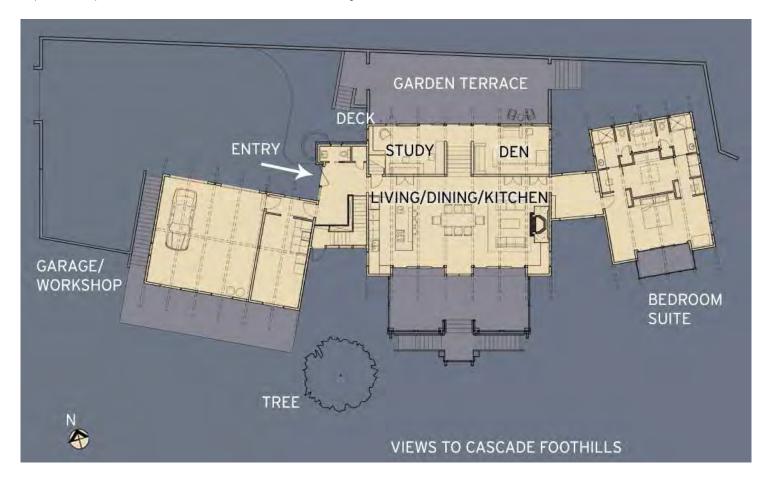




#### **Sustainability Strategies**

Not content to merely admire nature from afar, Shugar closely monitored the house's impact on the immediate environment as well. "I think the first step to sustainability is reducing the building's footprint to essential rooms and spaces" he says. In another important step, he and his team decided that air conditioning was

expendable. Large, operable windows open to the vistas, and pair with ceiling fans to move the air throughout the space. Large roof overhangs shield the rooms from direct heat, effectively controlling the home's temperature in the precipitation-heavy Northwest.







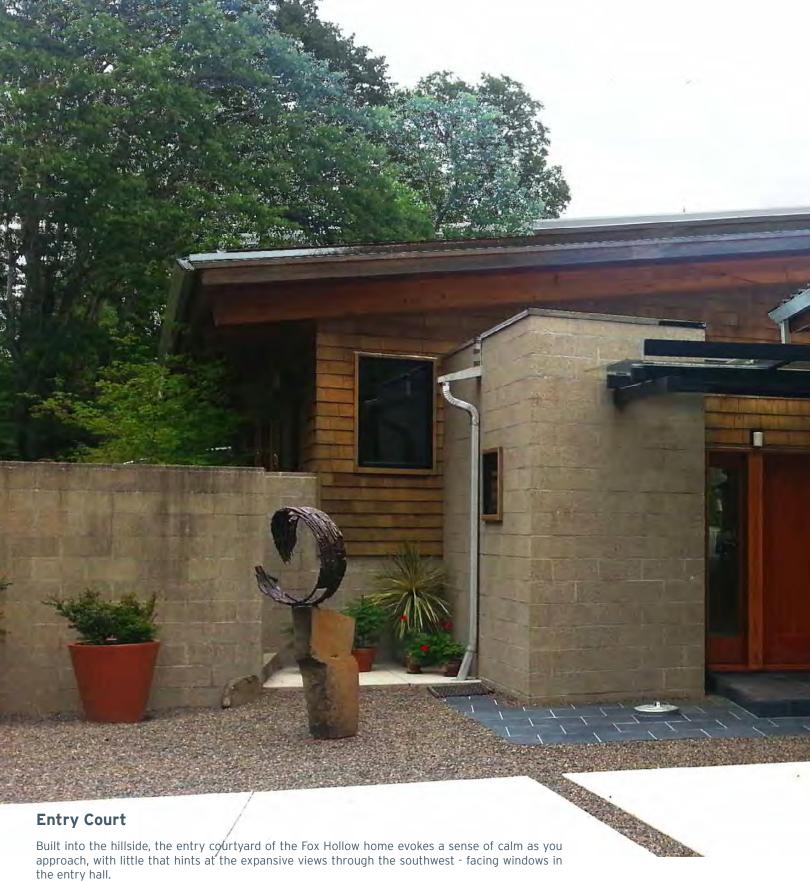
#### Sustainable features include:

- Recessed sliding doors shield glass from sunlight for a cooling effect
- Rainwater is collected from the sloped roofs and filtered in a bioswale before flowing back into a nearby creek
- All beams are salvaged blown-down trees from eastern Oregon forests
- Roof overhangs shield the structures from direct sunlight
- Local concrete used on foundations
- Floor vents allow cooler air to flow from basement









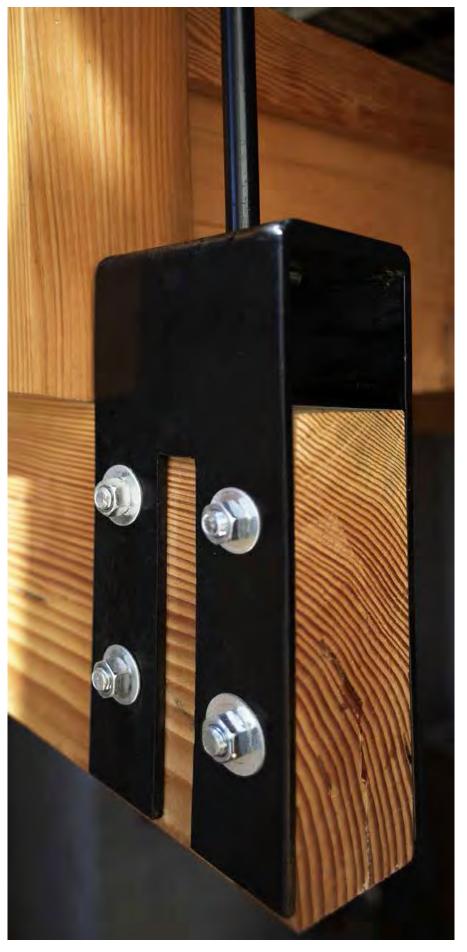
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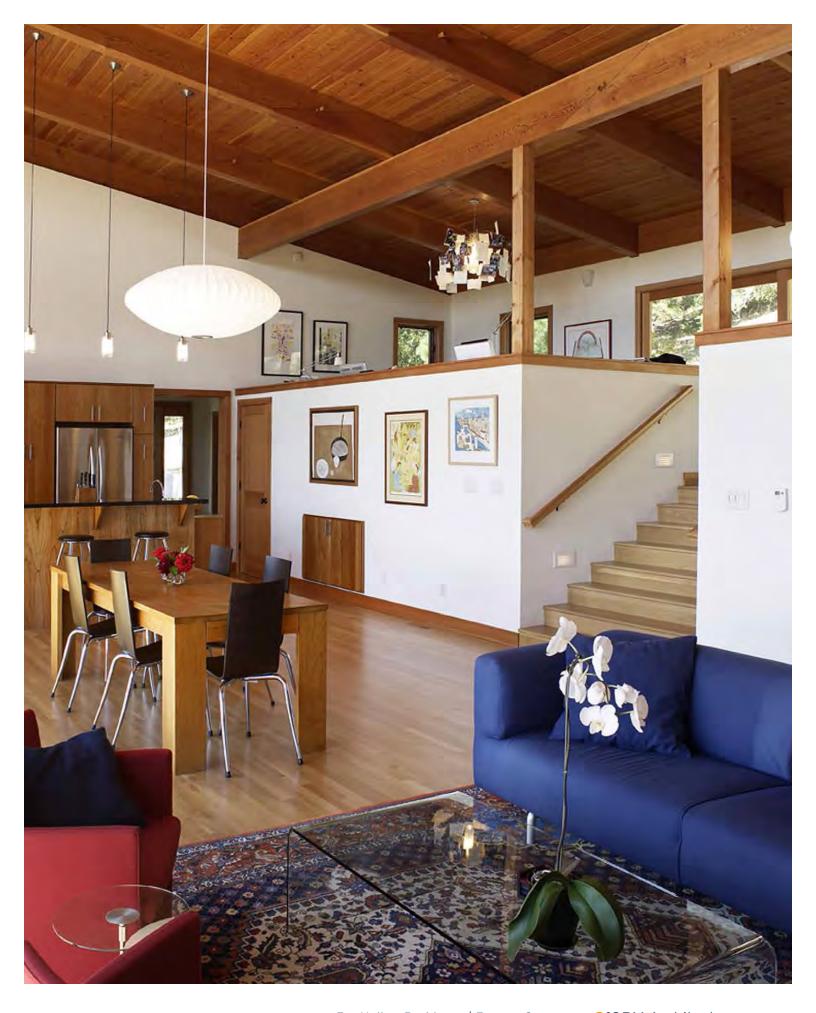




# Living Area

Directly off the entry, which serves as a bridge between the utility area and the main living area, you enter into a light-filled, vaulted living area. The kitchen, dining and living area are combined in this one large room that faces spectacular views of the Cascade foothills.

The office spaces sit behind a low wall overlooking the living space and views to beyond the foothills. A patio door on the office level opens onto a private patio, balancing the light in the upper spaces.







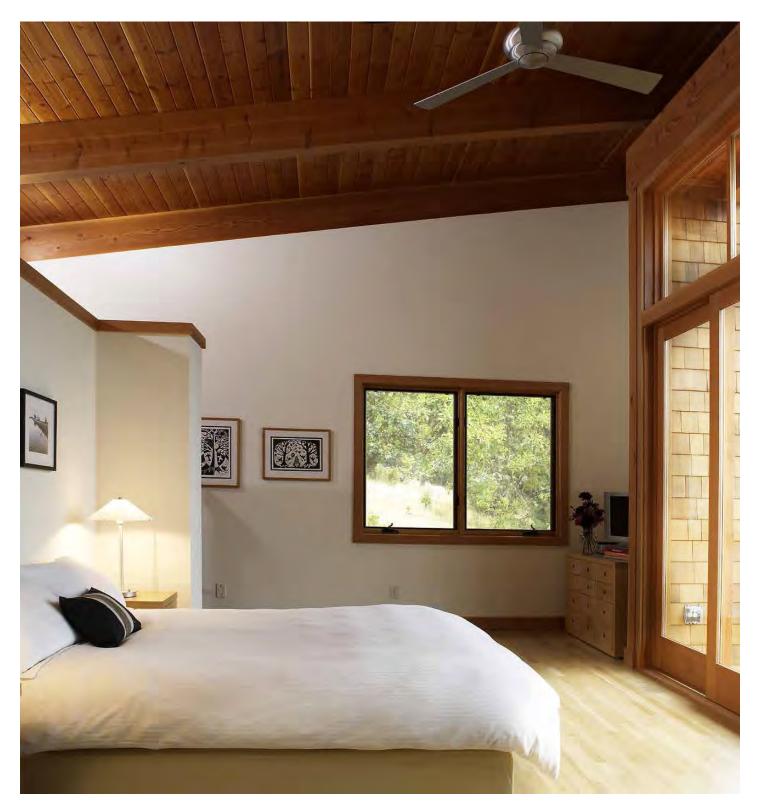


#### Kitchen

The kitchen in the Fox Hollow Residence was specifically designed to be adjacent to the living spaces. Hosting gatherings and entertaining are a large part of this couple's lives, and since everyone gathers in the kitchen at a party, they brought the kitchen to the living space.

Richard Shugar designed the kitchen as a simple galley with bar seating so that the cook never feels isolated. The cabinetry echoes the tones of the other woodwork in the house, and hardware was kept to a minimum. A bookcase for storing cookbooks was built into the living room side of the bar, and glass-fronted cabinets for dishware keep the cabinet wall from feeling too heavy.

The living space overlooks the Willamette Valley and has doors that lead out to a deck where outdoor cooking and entertaining happen as well. This connection between the kitchen and the deck makes indoor/outdoor living easy.



#### **Bedroom Suite**

Sliding doors facing the view open the bedroom up to its private balcony, and capitalize the views of the valley. The owners preferred having private bathrooms, so the suite's layout has a walk-in closet right behind the bed, and bathrooms behind that flank a shared tub centered in the space.







#### **Publications**

"Posh Pad" Architecture section of Design Bureau Magazine December 2011

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# Posh Pad

# BRITISH ARCHITECTURE INSPIRED THE HIGH-VOLUME SPACES OF THIS OREGON HOME

esides perpetually gray skies overhead, a London flat and a rural Oregon home don't have much in common. But that didn't stop one British expat from bringing some of his native country's design aesthetic stateside while building his new hillside home. The owner of the Fox Hollow Residence enlisted Richard Shugar, principal of architecture firm 2Form, to recreate the high-volume spaces of his English loft on a home-sized scale.

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Fox Hollow's design is a trick on the eyes, too. "When you enter the house from one side, it looks like a one-story building," Shugar says, "but when you look at the view from down the hill, it looks like a really big home." Whether England or Oregon, uphill or down, sometimes the best solution lies in a simple shift of perspective. -SARAH CASON

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