



Toro Canyon

Montecito, CA

This secluded, 10 acre parcel sits amongst natural groves of oak and eucalyptus.



LOCATION:
Montecito, CA

SIZE:
7,500 sf

AWARDS:
2009 AIA/SB Merit Awards

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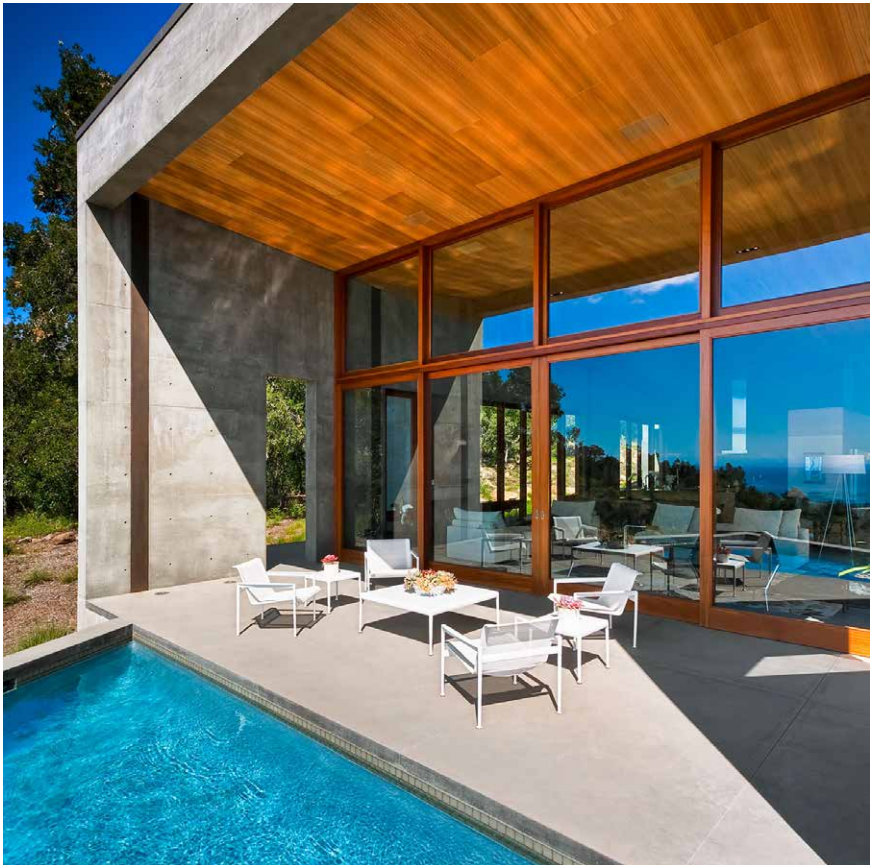
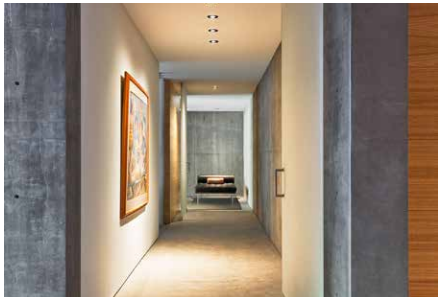
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Approached via a narrow, tree covered drive, which ends at a small clearing and presents the ocean and islands in the distance; this residence is sited on axis with the canyon and views beyond. The building presents three one story, wedge shaped volumes; a carport /service volume to the north, a public living volume to the south west and a private sleeping volume to the south east.



Constructed of laminated glass beams and roof panels, with glass doors, the entry space is conceptualized as an exterior circulation connection between the private and public wings of the house. The exterior walls are constructed of 12" thick insulated cast-in-place self consolidating concrete, and a metal roof helps to provide maximum fire resistance in this secluded canyon. Interior floors are lightweight concrete. The exposed concrete is warmed with doors and windows of natural mahogany and interior millwork and ceilings of natural eucalyptus.





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