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Mountain Modern: Contemporary Homes In High Places



Synopsis

A striking survey of contemporary houses designed for high-altitudes that fuse style with comfort in extreme weather conditions. High up in mountains around the world, houses that have long been constructed following local building traditions are being transformed. Intrepid young architects using new technologies and materials are refashioning these traditions, with results that range from gemlike (cozy) retreats to glamorous hilltop villas. Houses are presented in three sections: Cabin, Chalet, and Villa. Photographs of each house reveal its architecture, interior design, and striking setting, while plans provide an additional layer of information. Texts tell the story of how the dwelling was sited to make the most of its location, how new construction innovations were introduced, and how these solutions provide a comfortable space from which families can enjoy the great outdoors. While our cities become ever more concentrated, there is an increasing desire to experience nature as directly as possible. From the Highlands of Scotland to the breathtaking summits of the Alps and the adrenaline-fueled mountain resorts of California, *Mountain Modern* is a journey to the most stunning homes of our planet. 415 photographs, 393 in color

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Customer Reviews

If you're into house books, you'll be familiar with this type of book: it showcases a wide number of mountain/outdoorsy homes, featuring each in a few pages with photos and text. If you're like me and adore such books, you'll find yourself dreamily paging through the pages, gleaning various ideas about interior design and even house building. The houses are all modern, yes, but many play

with organic "mountain" shapes and textures and forms. So why four stars instead of five? It could be because of the format or it could be because of the quality of the photos, but I'm convinced that I've seen much prettier coffee table books about houses. The images are nice and the subject matter is photogenic, but the book simply doesn't mesmerize me with its beauty. I'm not condemning this book, just saying I'm unwilling to go to 5 stars for a book that isn't 100% dazzling.

Great book. A must-have for anyone with an interest in building a contemporary cabin/mountain home. Not for those interested in a traditional Rocky Mountain over-sized too expensive mountain home.

I'm itching to build a cabin in a quiet corner of Texas. Not on a mountain but with the same modern beautiful lines featured in this book. Great photographs and detail as well as inspiration.

Very cool cabins and a variety of styles. a great book to have.

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