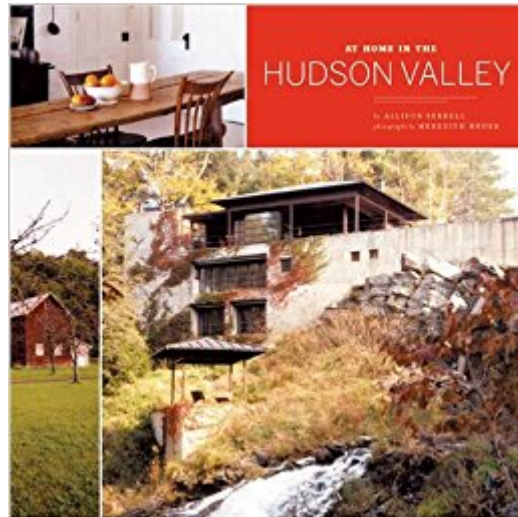




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At Home In The Hudson Valley



Synopsis

It has been called America's Loire Valley, the Napa Valley of the East, and the new Hamptons. Deemed by the US Congress "the landscape that defined America," New York's Hudson River Valley is a region rich in history, boasting exceptional architecture, celebrity residents, lush landscapes, and a burgeoning art and cultural scene. Each year, 50 million visitors flock to the counties along the river to escape the frenzy of city living and to rejuvenate in quiet, idyllic surroundings. Many stay and buy second homes, and many more dream about it. *At Home in the Hudson Valley* takes an intimate tour of 20 exceptional dwellings, including Karim Rashid's Carl Koch Tech Built house in Croton on Hudson, an original Marcel Breuer home in Salt Point, and architect Peter Franck's celebrated residence with its breathtaking views of the Catskills. Magnificent color photographs (250 in all), an extensive resource list, and map of the region make this a gorgeous visual excursion and valuable resource for residents and tourists alike.

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New York State's Hudson Valley is experiencing a rebirth of creativity and style, says San Francisco Chronicle style columnist Serrell, in this appreciation of the area's picturesque landscape and its place in American history. Heuer captures this renewed spirit in 240 color photos, while Serrell shares the personal history behind each of the featured homes. A 200-year-old Georgian manor house with Greek Revival columns and an 1826 lecture hall are examples of classic architectural style updated into elegant living space, where interior and exterior design maintain the buildings'

heritage. The more modern Zen-inspired home of architect Steve Mensch, with glass walls, mahogany framing and granite flooring, all built adjacent to a waterfall, reflects the creative ways designers bring nature and the valley's scenic views directly into their homes. Serrell includes quotations from the homeowners themselves, allowing readers a personal look into the houses. Consistently engaging in both pictures and text, this volume is sure to remind readers that the majestic scenes and slower-paced lifestyle of the region are just as appealing as ever. Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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Great book!

"At Home in Hudson Valley" is an impressive gallery of the variety of architectural and interior design styles of the houses in the region. Modern, baroque, Federal, Shaker are just the few of the styles shown. But one feature typical for all of them is how harmonious they are with their surroundings. This book gives us the photos of not only the houses themselves, their exteriors and interiors, but also of the beautiful nature of Hudson Valley in all seasons. Twenty houses all in all and a story behind each of them.

At Home in the Hudson Valley is a beautiful book packed with brilliant photographs. The houses in the book are distinctive and original, the pictures capture the spaces as well as the ideas and personalities of the people who made them. Allison Serrell and the photographer Meredith Heuer pull the vitality and creativity of the Hudson Valley through the pages of the book.

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