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Aspen, nestled deep in Pitkin County of Colorado, has been one of the nations best-known ski resorts and tourist centers for more than 50 years. The city, named after the abundance of trees scattered throughout, also showcases impressive and breathtaking views of the Colorado Mountains. Historically, Aspen began as a mining area, known in the late 1890's as the most productive silver mining district in the United States.

Now, the area has more than 6,500 inhabitants, and an endless amount of unique spectacles such as snowcapped peaks. Perfect for weekend getaways, much of Aspen's allure comes from its endless blankets of white. Visitors will find, along with the many snow-centric sights that can be enjoyed year round, numerous other thrilling activities, such as horseback riding, hot air balloon rides, rafting and family-themed events. For those looking to stay a while longer, the city offers many hotels, lodges and home rentals.

The companies featured here play a pivotal role not only in shaping the Aspen community, but they also bring their own beauty to an already flawless landscape. Each has a vision that captures the resort-feel of the city, as well as providing a welcoming place to live.

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Limiting Projects Maximizes Attention to Clients for Architecture Firm

by Rodric J. Hurdle-Bradford

The competitive, fast-paced nature of Aspen's residential development market is to be expected, and even enjoyed by some architects. But for Brewster McLeod Architects, a hands-on approach with their clients leads to precision projects in the high-end luxury home market.

1560 Tiehack Road is one of these precision projects. Completed in the summer of 2010, this single-family home is 14,000 square feet with four-bedrooms and six-bathrooms. The residence features an interior lap pool, full theater and exercise area.

"It is a steep, unique lot because it goes down to the river and we needed to screen it from the development across the river for privacy purposes," says Owner and Principal Jamie L. Brewster McLeod. "It is really a four-level house with a sub grade, basement, office and main level. All the main services are on the main level because they wanted the residence to live like a small house."

A unique touch to 1560 Tiehack is the executive suite on the upper level, an isolated level where

work can be done without the interruption of guests on the other levels. It also has its own bathroom, deck and patio. A recreation room with a pool table, bar and wine room on the same level adds a distinct feel, along with separate living quarters for staff that features a kitchen, bathroom and living area.

Brewster McLeod did just that with The Hill residence project, which has a unique Cabana with a spa, putting green and infinity pool that connects to the home. The Cabana also has a large, prep kitchen, inside and outside living space and doors that open to the fireplace.

Heated patios and heated walking paths make the cabana area enjoyable during the winter or summer and breathtaking views of two ski mountains are available from the pool.

"Even though every project is special, we still want to make sure it has that Aspen flair," says McLeod."I push luxury living, enjoying a residence that lives well and is designed for you, not just something that looks good on paper."

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Creative lighting in the home's infinity pool blurs the line of perception mimicking the seamless transition from interior to exterior space

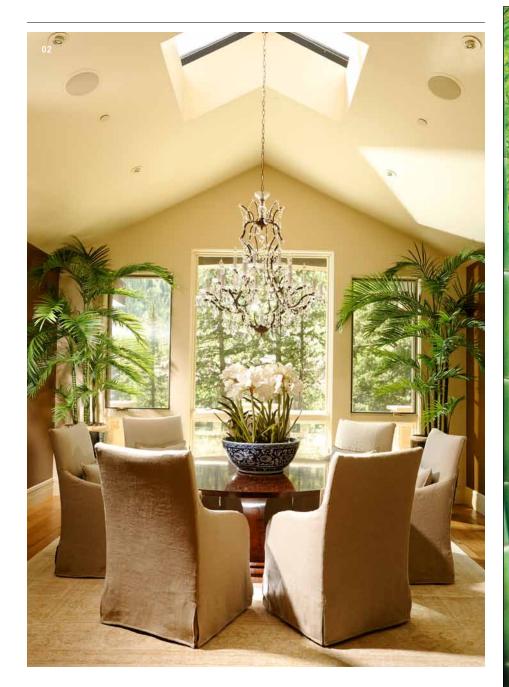
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The dining room has cozy seating options and views to the surrounding Aspen woods from full-scale windows

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The home rests peacefully on Aspen's green landscape

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