

THE LUXURY OF HOME



ASPEN

Its reputation as a winter playground for the rich and famous only tells half the story of this Rocky Mountain sanctuary when it comes to luxury real estate. Against one of the country’s most picturesque natural backdrops, Aspen and its array of multimillion-dollar listings is drawing year-round interest from investors and those seeking a home away from home.

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Floor-to-ceiling windows and multiple sliding doors allow for seamless integration between the interior and exterior spaces.



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The collaborative, boutique approach at Brewster McLeod Architects results in luxury residential design that never fails to find a harmonious home amid Colorado's natural splendor.

It's a testament to the prodigious skill and boundless creativity inherent in her work that the luxury residential designs conceived by Jamie Brewster McLeod often are as striking as the Rocky Mountain backdrops against which they come to fruition. Less tangible, but equally crucial, is a thoughtful thread that has distinguished Brewster McLeod Architects (BMA) since its namesake launched the firm in 2006. Whether designing luxurious mountain estates or infinity pools and cabanas at 8,000 feet, the Aspen-based firm strives to find a perfect balance in all phases of the project. Often, it's balancing the goals of the design with the demands of the site. Other times, it's striking the right chord in the relationship between clients, architect and contractor. And, always, it's about bringing an overall harmony to spaces that honor the spirit and intentions of the client. "We don't have a set style of architecture," says McLeod, who earned her master's in architecture from Montana

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State University. “We focus on listening to our clients and inspiring a unique, custom approach to interpreting style, design and originality through the customers’ needs. No two homes are ever the same, but they all represent the essence of our clients, as well as our design creativity.”

“We focus on providing unique answers to sometimes challenging sites. Architecture, for us, is designing well-thought-out works of art.”

BEAUTY IN THE DETAILS

The boutique nature of BMA adds to its detail-oriented, client-first approach, but it’s hardly the only calling card of a firm that creates high-end custom homes throughout Aspen and Telluride. The firm’s collaborative approach has led to a portfolio filled with dramatic, jaw-dropping projects—from a 10,000-square-foot ski-in, ski-out property in Aspen Highlands Village to a golf course estate that overlooks the San Juan Mountain Range in Telluride. No matter the scope of the project, McLeod advises clients to select an architect who not only appreciates their intentions, “but who also enhances those initial thoughts with excellent design and an understanding of the space. Projects can last between two and four years. It’s important to value the relationship and communication with the client. We do.”

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CAPTIONS & CREDITS

01.Expansive windows invite the forest into this sleek but warm kitchen and living area. **02.**The large windows and patio spaces flow together to create this private mountain estate. **03.**Hanging pendant lights create a welcoming glow that frames this custom mahogany entry door. **04.**This 15,000-square-foot Aspen home features outdoor living spaces that capture the magic of the Alpine. **05.**This poolside cabana provides the luxury of a beach resort—but at 8,000 feet.

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