



Merrick House

SALA Modern Houses Series

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- A pictorial journey through an incredible feat of construction

Merrick juxtaposed just three simple materials when he built his iconic piece of residential architecture. Yet what emerged transcended any individual construction tool. Merrick created a 17-level majestic wonder with spatial gymnastics, an extraordinary sense of materiality, and powerful structural tectonics. Both eccentric and outrageous, it is also truly contextual, a multitude of flying structural wooden columns nestling amidst the massive cedars. Embark on a virtual tour of this remarkable building.

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