



# Country Houses

## The Architecture of Mark P. Finlay

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- **Country Houses: The Architecture of Mark P. Finlay** is an absolute must for readers designing their own dream homes, and anyone who has ever indulged in the guilty pleasure of peering through tall privets or over picket fences to glimpse of a hidden estate
- This superb volume showcases 12 magnificent country residences in Connecticut, Florida, Rhode Island, South Carolina, and Virginia
- Each chapter features stunning full-color photographs, sketches, diagrams, and plans
- Detailed descriptions delve into how Finlay designs 'from the inside out,' getting inside his clients' heads to give physical form to their intangible desires
- The monograph features an autobiographical account of Connecticut-based Finlay's heritage and a historic overview of his 30-year design practice
- Insightful texts reveal how Finlay navigates both environmental and historic contexts, as well as his respect for tradition and deep knowledge of classical American architecture

What sort of home would you create for yourself if you could build whatever you wanted—if money, as they say, were no object?

Over the course of his firm's 30-year history, American architect Mark P. Finlay has been in the rare, privileged position of helping clients answer that very question. This first reprint and revised edition of **Country Houses: The Architecture of Mark P. Finlay**, originally published in 2018, showcases the dream homes Finlay has designed for some of America's wealthiest and most sophisticated families.

The renowned architect and interior designer works in the United States' most storied pastoral locations, including the South Carolina lowlands, Virginia horse country, coastal New England, and the Rocky Mountains. Whether historic restorations or ground-up builds, Finlay's attention to detail and focus on fine craftsmanship make the magnificent homes look and feel as if they've lived on their sites for centuries.

This beautifully presented monograph offers gorgeous photography of 12 superbly designed country residences. Each home is accompanied by an intimate, detailed architectural account that conveys Finlay's skill and passion for creating residences that telegraph a distinct sense of place and a unique appreciation for their owners' aspirations.

**Mark P. Finlay** is an award-winning American architect and interior designer. He's a member of the American Institute of Architects, whose firms, Mark P. Finlay Architects, AIA and Mark P. Finlay Interiors, LLC are based in Southport, Connecticut. The firm, founded in 1984, has amassed a diverse portfolio of projects throughout North America, including custom homes, estates, clubhouses, historic landmark renovations, master plans and commercial buildings. The firm has received over 30 architectural and design awards and has been featured in numerous publications over the years.