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HONOR AWARD

A Barnyard Retreat
Manakin Sabot, Va.

ARCHITECTURE FIRM:
FRAERMAN ASSOCIATES
CLIENT:
SHELLY AND CURT
WILTSHIRE



"I think that it's spectacular," said a juror about this barnyard retreat. An owners' desire for a swimming pool and guesthouse next to their Virginia farmhouse resulted in a contemporary barn design with the material palette found in the existing farmhouse—copper, stone and painted wood. "The wall structure in the barn is what made it," said another juror. A large trellis runs the length of the guesthouse—which includes a home office, guest suite, exercise loft, living space, kitchenette and pool bath—providing shade for pool goers, as well as contributing to its energy efficiency by shading the barn. To sum it up, a juror commented that "It's modern, but classic."

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DESIGN ARCHITECT:
BLENDER
ARCHITECTURE
CLIENT: PRIVATE

The clients purchased the property next door for the purpose of adding a garage, while simultaneously maintaining the open space. In the addition, Blender Architecture created a connection between the architecture and the landscape, and included a cistern under the garage to collect rain water from all structures and re-distribute it for landscape irrigation and the outdoor fountain. "It looks modern and livable," commented a juror. Gabion walls are incorporated into the north wall of the garage and used to separate the neighboring property. The separating wall has a built-in planter that allows the leftover irrigation water to filter through and back into the cistern. Salvaged wood from the demolition was re-purposed for a new bathroom and the exterior is clad in a cedar rain-screen. Exterior bluestone is used on the floor to further diminish the outside from the inside. "The materials seem clean, simple and appropriate," said a juror.

