

1. ENTRY DRIVE 2. GUEST PARKING 3. FOOTPATH

4. GARAGE

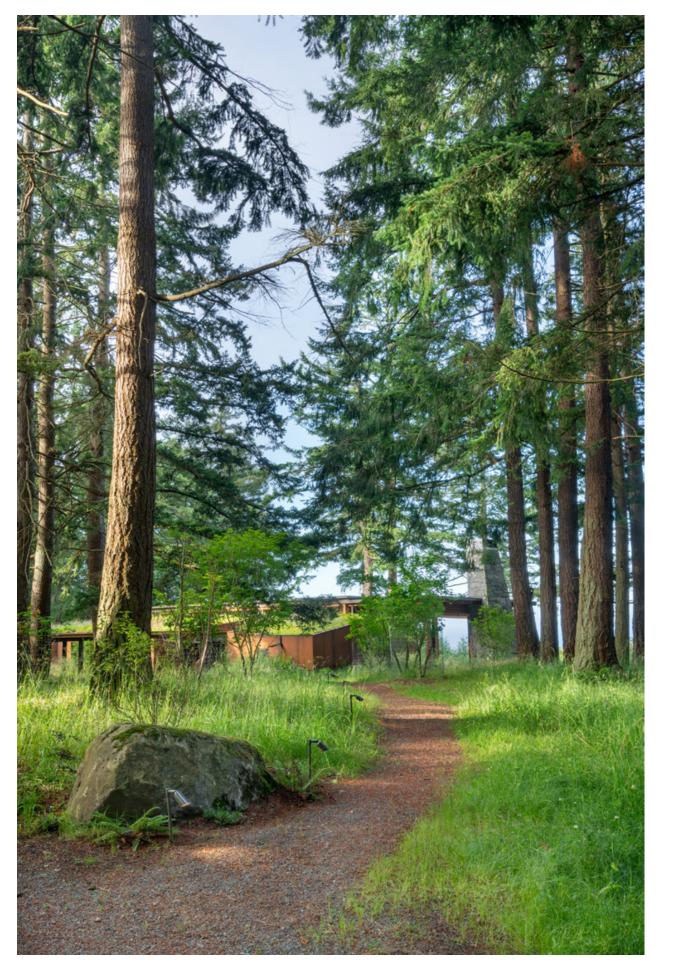
5. COVERED WALKWAY

The clients retained enough of the site to build their home, a small guest house, and a workshop. They put the remaining majority of the 80-acre site into a permanent conservation easement.

6. RAIN GARDEN 7. VEGETATED ROOF 8. OUTDOOR FIREPLACE 9. MEADOW 10. PICNIC ROCK



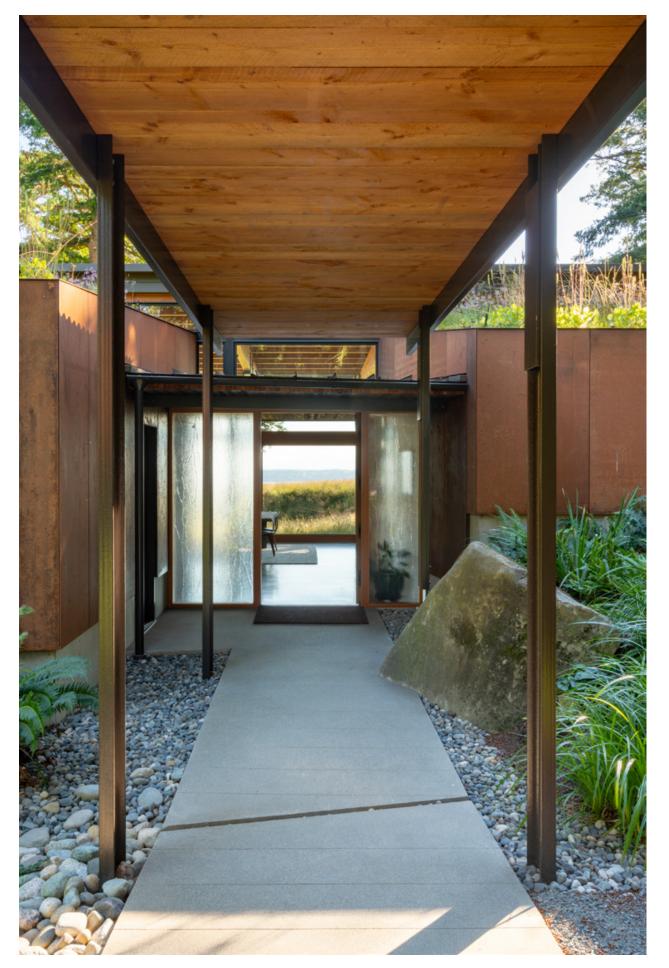
Upon arrival along a winding gravel road, the home slowly reveals itself as the forest opens to the sunlit meadow hinting at what is to come.

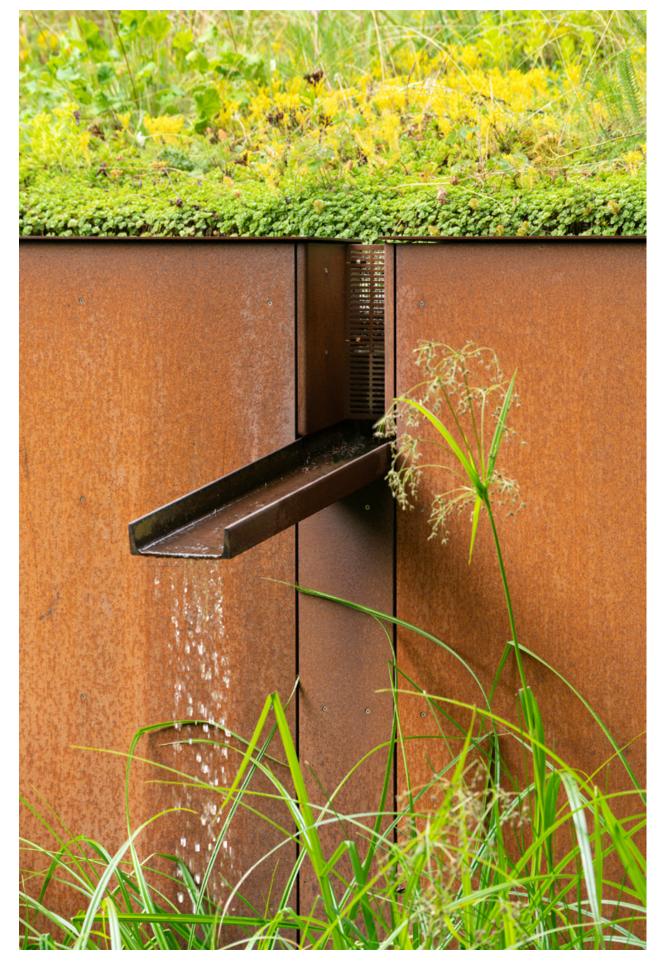


A gently curving footpath, faintly lit at night, beckons visitors toward the main entry. Parking is intentionally distanced from the home to create a sense of decompression and departure from busy lives.



A vegetated roof integrates the main home within its forested setting and provides an entry experience of immersion with views of the rain garden and the sound of water falling from the scuppers.





A narrow slot in the walkway allows water to the rain garden and creates a subtle entry threshold. One column of the covered walkway lands gently on a site boulder, giving the sense the home was built around it.



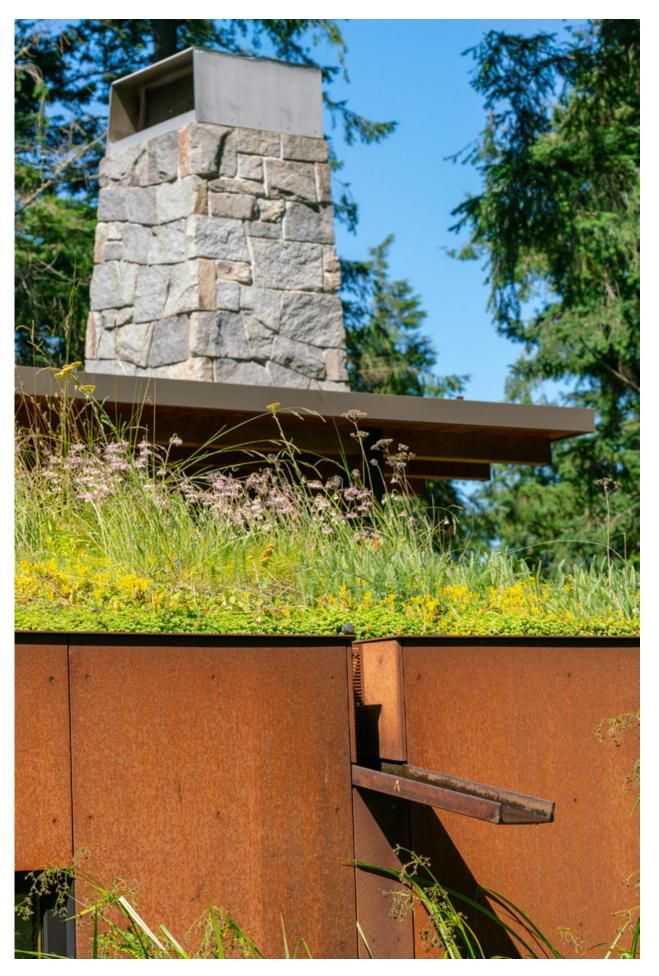
On the forest side of the house, the landscape envelops the steel clad volumes dubbed the "erratics." The rain garden collects site and roof runoff and provides a distinctly different experience from the water side.



Views from each window are deliberate and focused on unique elements of the site. Here the bluff and Sound are visible through the slot between the media room and bedroom.



The rain garden, composed primarily of native plants, responds to the various microclimates and ecozones created by the site's topography and exposure. It includes several types of rushes for a wild, grassy feel, distinctly different from the upland areas.



Morning light catches the native plants on the roof, and the stone chimney hints at the covered terrace on the water side of the house.



The canted granite and basalt fireplace anchors the north side of the house. Covered outdoor space was a must-have—the fireplace terrace in the foreground and the view terrace extend living spaces outside throughout the seasons.



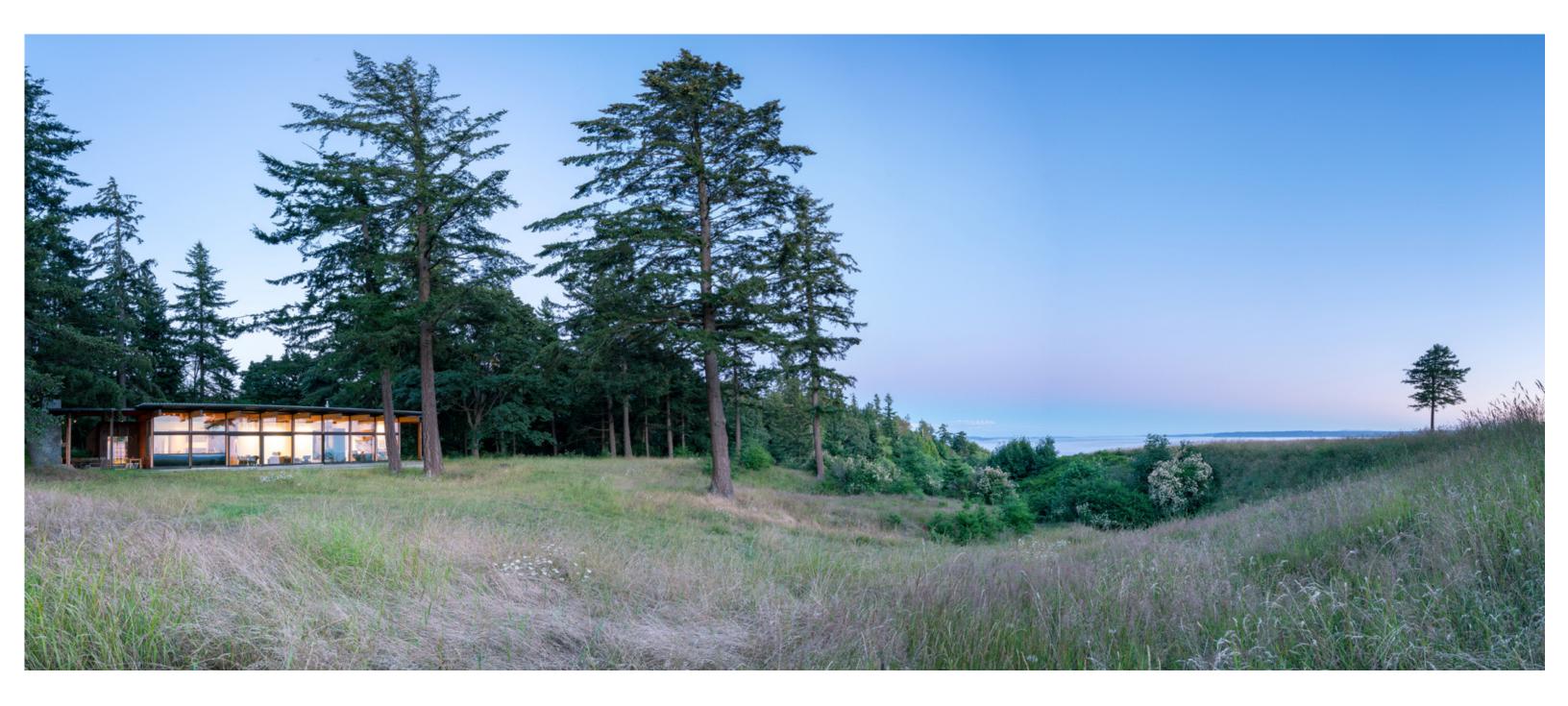
Although it appears untouched, the meadow was carefully restored to its native state post construction.



As daylight descends, the home becomes the perfect spot to view a wide variety of wildlife moving across the meadow.



A salvaged end-cut stone from the fireplace hearth was sited to create a secret perch for picnics, reading and contemplation—a perfect place to take in the view.



A lone tree on the bluff calls passersby to a shared mowed path along the high bank with expansive views of the Sound, Olympic Mountains, and distant Seattle skyline.