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A Front Range Portrait...Parade of Homes



Each year, custom residences constructed by Colorado's leading builders and designers at the Parade of Homes vie to win *COLORADO HOMES & LIFESTYLES MAGAZINE's* Award of Honor, given to the homes deemed most outstanding by the judging committee. This year's Parade, in Evergreen at Tanoa in Elk Meadow, featured two sites and six homes—three in Morningstar beginning at \$750,000, and three in Blackfeather, priced from the \$500,000s. One home in each community received the coveted award.

In addition to *CH&LM* staff members, judges included: Dennis Humphries, AIA president, Colorado Chapter; Lisa Christener, ASID vice president, Colorado Chapter; Lucy Kendzior, IIDA president, Colorado Chapter; and J. Curtis, photographer.

TALL TIMBERS

Stepping into the 4,880-square-foot "Tall Timbers" (*lower right*), built by Jim Gregg of Gregg & Co. Builders, Inc. in Evergreen, designed by Denver architect Sears Barrett and with interiors by Lynn Shannon, Jaime Cummings and intern Laurie Gregg, is a bit like slipping into your favorite and most comfortable pair of shoes. Light, warmth and comfort define this stylish, yet understated mountain residence, where visitors feel instantly at home.

Explains Gregg. "We tried to achieve a mountain feel—something that was real warm and inviting."

Judges praised the home's flowing, open floor plan and generous use of antique furnishings and wood. Large, 200-year-old hand-hewn beams are used throughout, while handsome milled chestnut plank flooring and custom-made knotty pine doors add to the home's elegantly rustic, mountain lodge feel (*top*). Charming outdoor sitting areas enjoy unobstructed views of Elk Meadow.



THE EVERGREEN

Although choosing a winner among the three Morningstar homes proved difficult, judges selected Remark Homes' "The Evergreen" (*lower left*) for its dramatic interior spaces and well-thought-out floor plan.

Designed by Greg Comstock of Comstock Design in Denver, with partner Ingrid Moore, intern Iris Shaw and help from Kathy Imes of Lauren Brooks (who provided numerous furnishings and accessories), the home's sophisticated, yet comfortable ambience takes its cues from French country and Colorado casual styles. "We're trying for a mountain retreat look with a very definite French influence," explains Com-

stock. "We wanted to make it elegant, but still a place where you can put your feet up."

The great room (*opposite*), with its graceful mix of classic and country pieces and rich palette of butter-scotch, olive and cabernet, drew applause as an ideal entertainment space—and as the perfect spot to enjoy the splendors of refined mountain living.

The 1996 Parade of Homes, sponsored by the Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Denver, continues through September 3, and is open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$7 on weekends, \$5 on weekdays, free for children under 12. For information, call (303) 788-1444. ♦