

# CONNECTICUT/ WESTCHESTER COUNTY

# HOME BOOK

A COMPREHENSIVE HANDS-ON DESIGN SOURCEBOOK FOR BUILDING,  
REMODELING, DECORATING, FURNISHING AND LANDSCAPING  
A LUXURY HOME IN CONNECTICUT/WESTCHESTER COUNTY

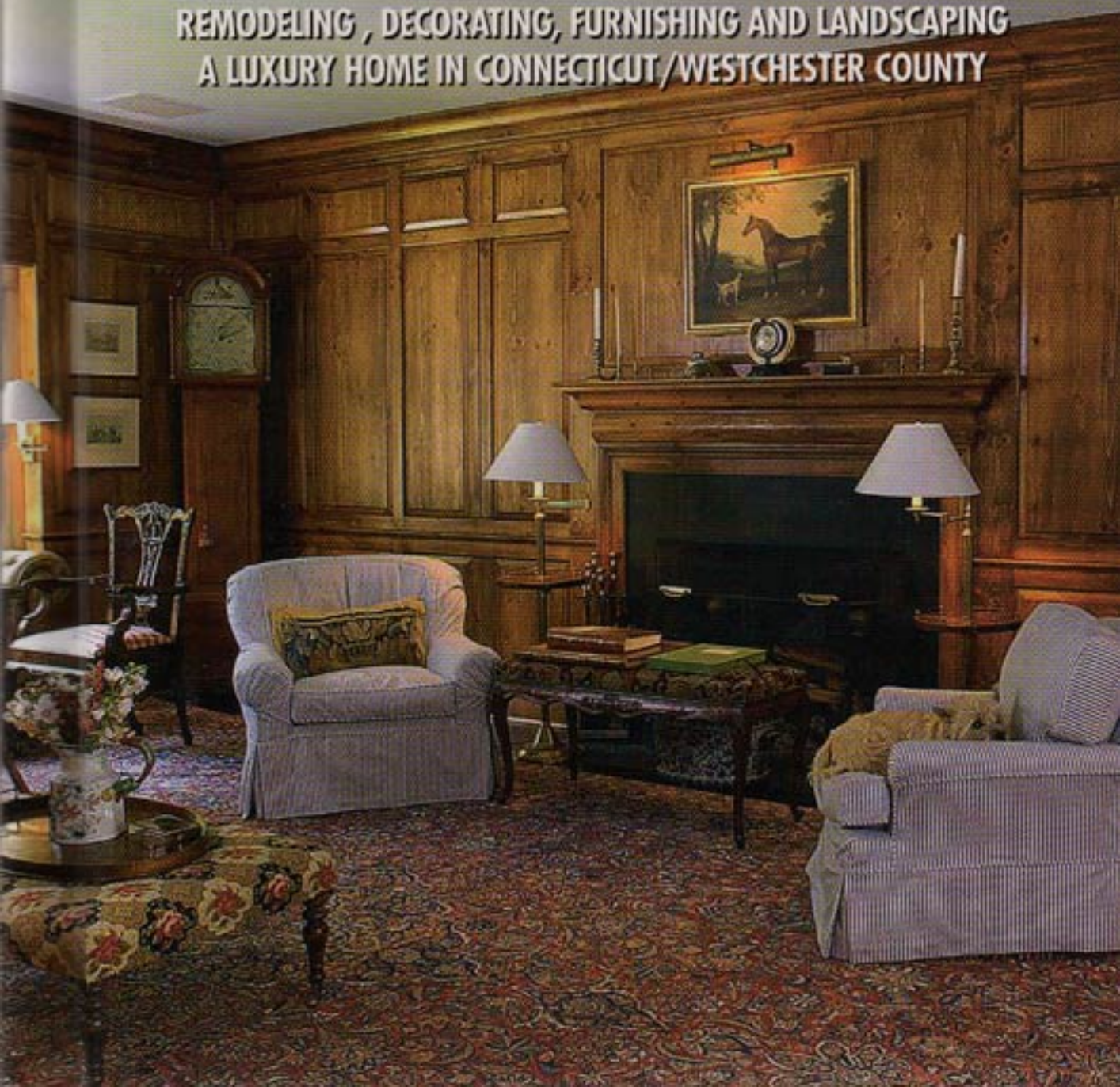






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## BUILDING ON A STRONG FOUNDATION

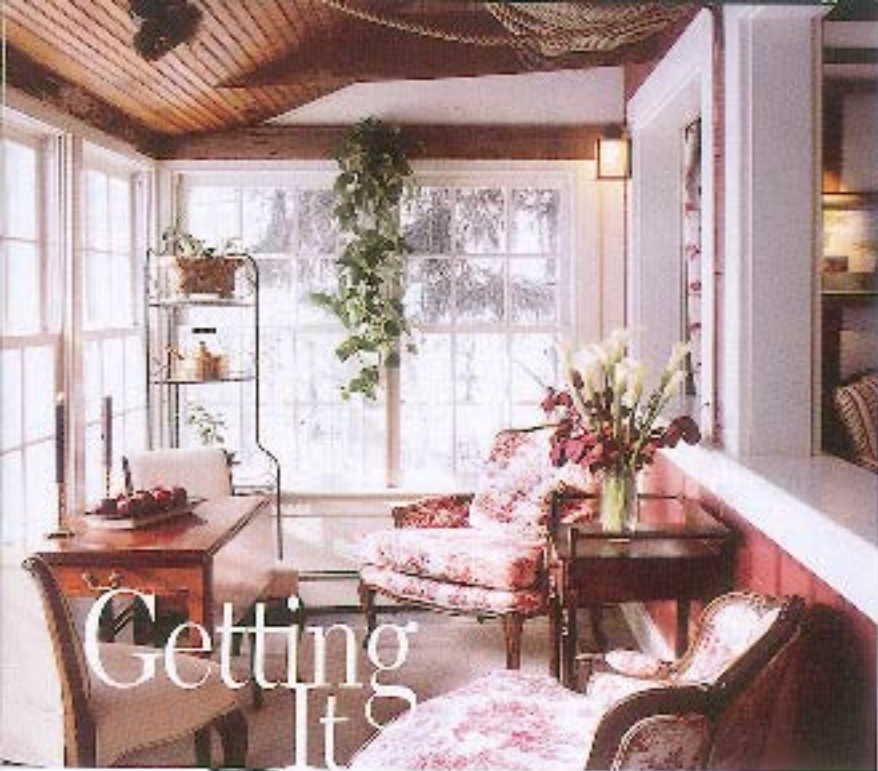
*Benchmark Builders, LLC:* "Good bones' are the foundation of any successful building project. We are seeing a resurrection in clients' desires to enhance the fundamental features in their homes. Tray or barrel ceilings are being included in many rooms. Instead of paring down, clients are indulging in rich, thick moldings, custom millwork and raised panels. A custom archway may be designed to elegantly transition from grand foyer to formal living room. These 'foundation updates' soothe the atmosphere in a home, while adding a sense of refinement and stature."





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# Getting It Done

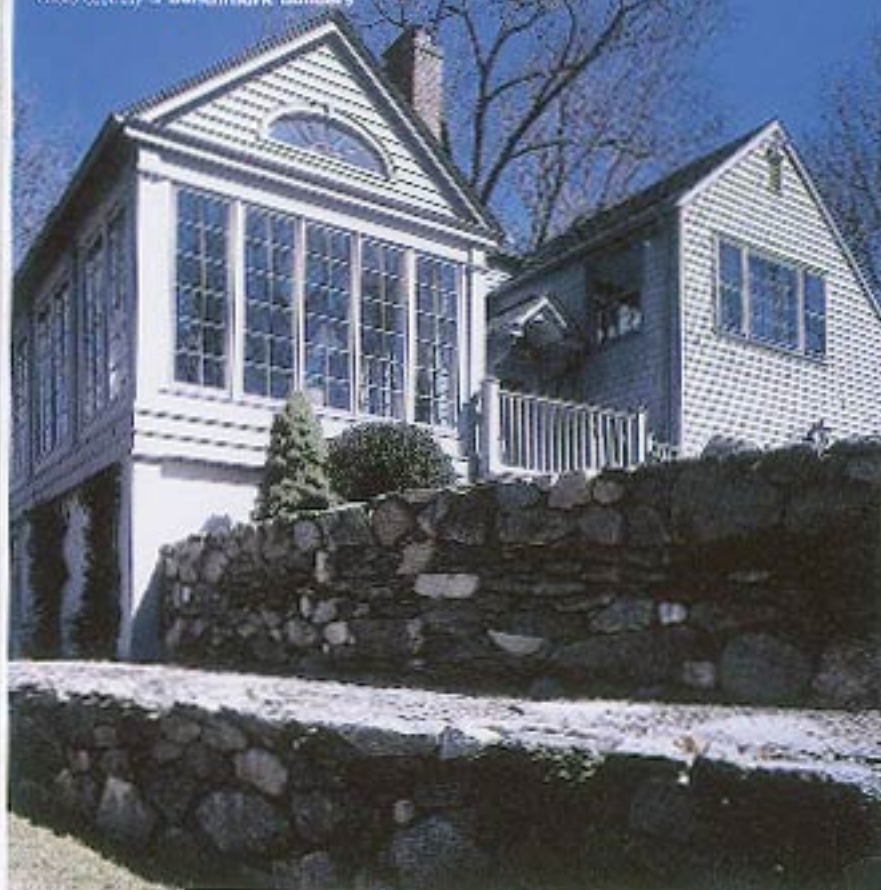
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Every great plan is only as good as the professionals who execute it. By choosing a builder with a background in creating your type of home, you will go a long way toward making the home building process – which may take a year or two depending on the breadth of your vision – a smooth one. Your builder will bring technical skill in construction, knowledge of materials and finishes, and expertise in managing projects to the building of your home. The builder, or general contractor, knows the best craftsmen for the job, and will work closely with the architect to make your dream a reality.

It is essential to choose a company or individual with whom you and the architect can establish a good rapport. A candid exchange of ideas, with the requisite caveats against going over budget or planning areas that are difficult to execute, will make for a healthy and successful working relationship. A relationship that will help create a beautiful home.



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