



Architects & Designers

Sustainable-design champions, masters of classic New England style, and the brains behind the area's most covetable contemporary abodes.

COASTAL ARCHITECT

Hutker Architects

Cape Cod may be a vacationer's haven, but even life in paradise presents its challenges: eroding soil, corrosive salt spray, nosy neighbors. Enter Hutker Architects, the Falmouth- and Vineyard-based firm that specializes not only in jaw-dropping homes but also in deft solutions to the perils of coastal living—in one case creating a light-filled West Tisbury abode with an ingenious wheel-and-spoke design that yields both stunning water views and plenty of privacy. 533 Palmer Ave., Falmouth, 508-540-0048, hutkerarchitects.com.

CONTEMPORARY ARCHITECT

Maryann Thompson Architects

Many of the most successful contemporary designs blur the lines between indoors and out. Maryann Thompson's projects achieve that every time, creating what she calls "unfolding spatial sequences." This intentional ambiguity pervades her sleek coastal retreats, suburban creations, and city residences: Even in her own home in Somerville, she dreamed up an unapologetically modern addition by removing walls that blocked southern light exposure and opening the space up to the outdoors. 741 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown, 617-744-5187, maryannthompson.com.

CONTEMPORARY INTERIOR DESIGNER

Wolf in Sheep Design

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