

RETREAT ARCHITECTURE

When working in creative fields like architecture and interior design, receiving awards from peers in the industry is always wonderful validation that you're doing something right. With that in mind, The Crusader—a stunning new build by Drewett Works that's received numerous accolades—is a winner. But making a parent proud trumps receiving even the shiniest of trophies.

"This house is a tribute to my dad," says C.P. Drewett, president and founding architect of Drewett Works, of the home, whose design is based of aviation. "My dad, who was terminally ill when this project came to me, was a Marine Corps aviator and flew jets. All the planes on aircraft fold their wings and have these really cool [folds]. I really played off of that with the architecture. What was going on in my life is really where this thing began."

Using aviation and the client's request for something "grabbing and defying," Drewett and his team got to work creating the four-bedroom, 4 1/2-bathroom home. Because the corner lot site is adjacent to a golf course, privacy was of utmost concern. That's where the home's dramatic angles came into play. "The direct angles were crafted to really harness views, but also protect from onlookers," says Drewett. And while the metal roof has a sharp, almost intimidating presence from the outside, the home's interior—and the roof's underside—has the opposite effect. "I really like the duality of the wings having two surfaces," he says. "One protects you from the desert environment and the underside sort







From top: In the great room, subdued, streamlined furnishings selected by Ownby Design let the architecture and views shine; sunlight streams into the guest bathroom. Opposite page: While the exterior of the home is more extreme architecturally, inside, an abundance of natural stone creates warmth and provides a feeling of protection from the outdoors. "The dining room is enveloped with stone so it has a really amazing grounded sense," Drewett explains.

