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GUADALUPE



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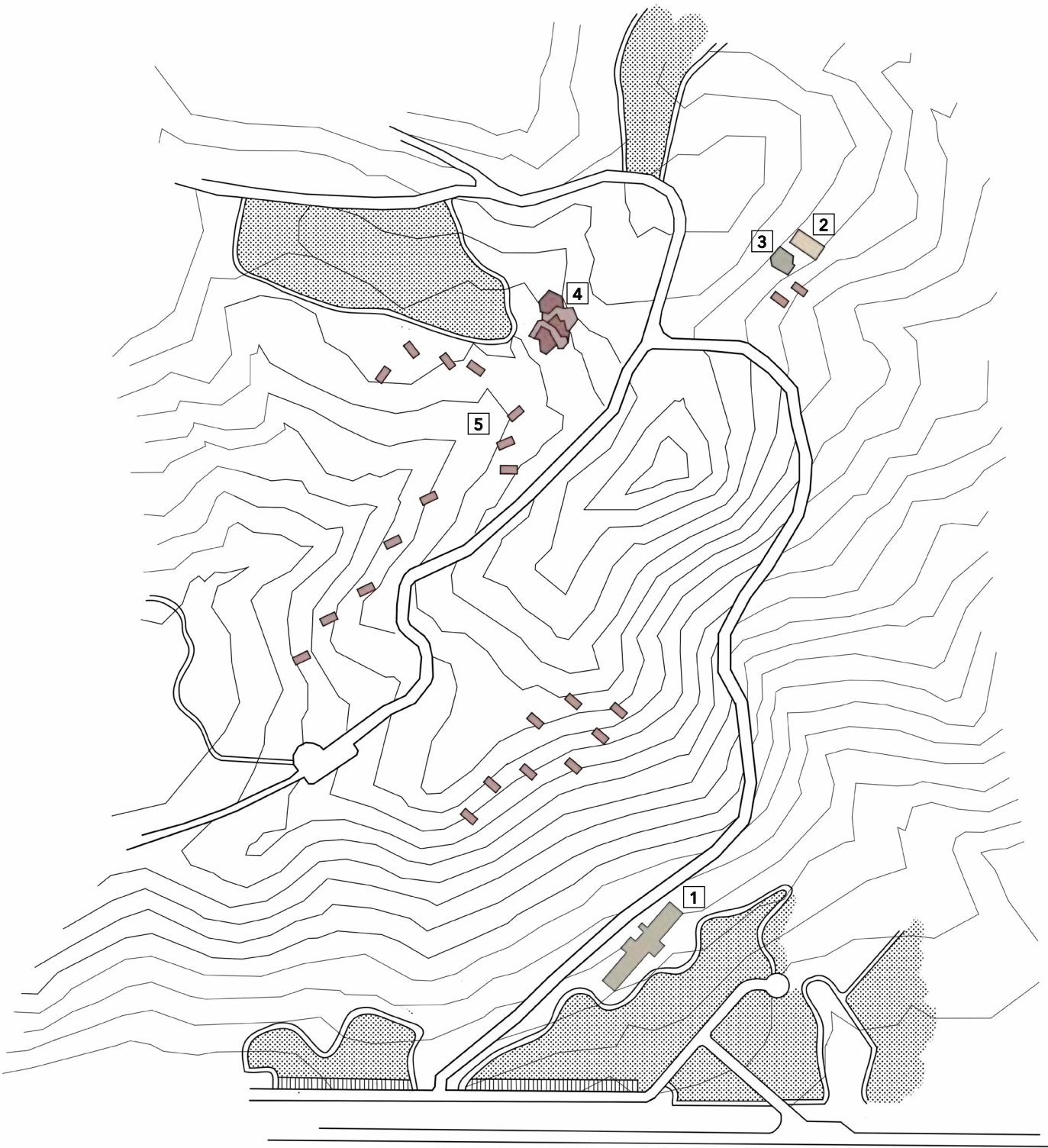
ENCUENTRO GUADALUPE

Baja California, Mexico

The Encuentro Guadalupe is a boutique hotel located in Valle de Guadalupe in Baja California. The architects, Gracia Studio, had originally designed a minimal concept for this location, which included simplistic branding and materials. To honor their previous design, the original use of local materials and industrial elements were maintained, but additions and alterations were made to the design. To further enhance the original sustainable design and branding, this proposal offers new architectural details to aid with direct sun, enhance the visual experience of each space, and to make spaces allow an inclusion of all abilities.



SITE ANALYSIS



- Legends:
- 1 Main Building
 - 2 Eco-Casa
 - 3 Master Suite
 - 4 Pool Area
 - 5 Eco-Loft



PRE-EXISTING SITE



- Legends:
- 1 Shuttle Waiting Area
 - 2 Yoga & Meditation Area
 - 3 Accesible Eco-Casa



PROPOSED NEW ARCHITECTURE

INSPIRATION



RAMA ZORRILO

Derived from a local flower called Rama Zorrillo, we found inspiration in the radial rotation of the flower's stem as it grows. This inspiration was an important incorporation to this already geometric and orthogonal design. Using this radial element helps to incorporate a subtle organic quality to this rectilinear site.



BASKETRY

The site being close to an Indigenous community, it was important that we incorporate their local culture into our design to allow a cohesive immersion with the land. Using their basket weaving as an inspiration, we further explored the use of this pattern throughout our site design.

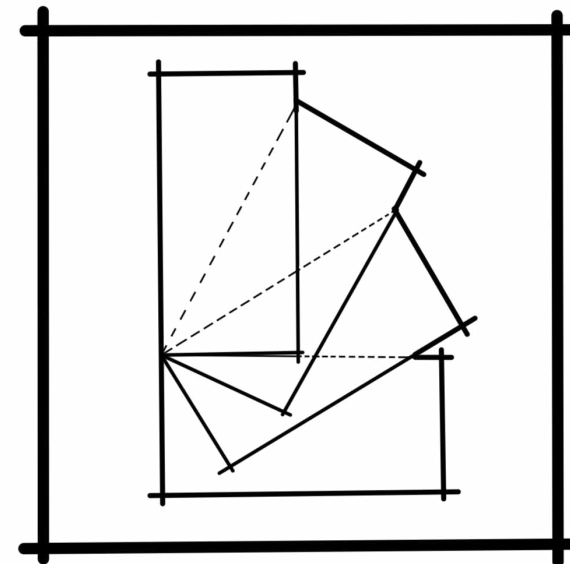
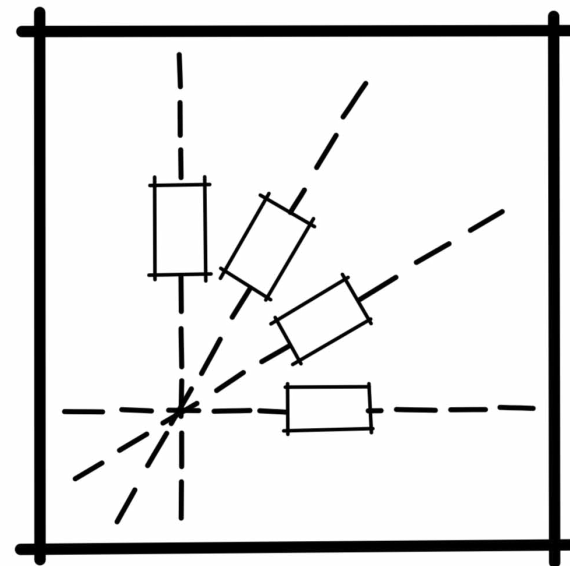
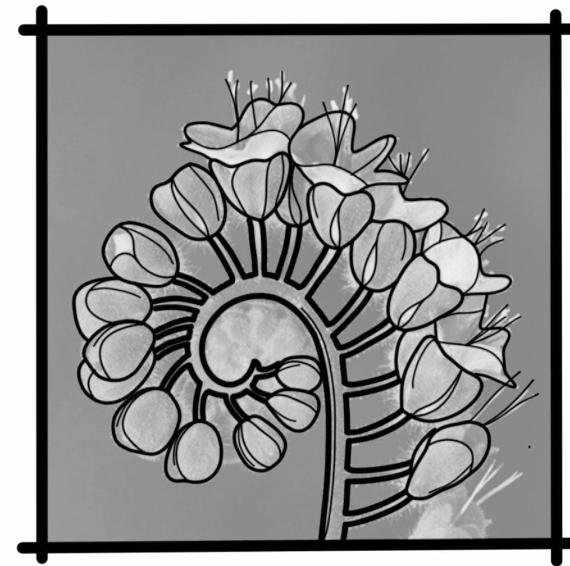


VALLEY DE GUADALUPE

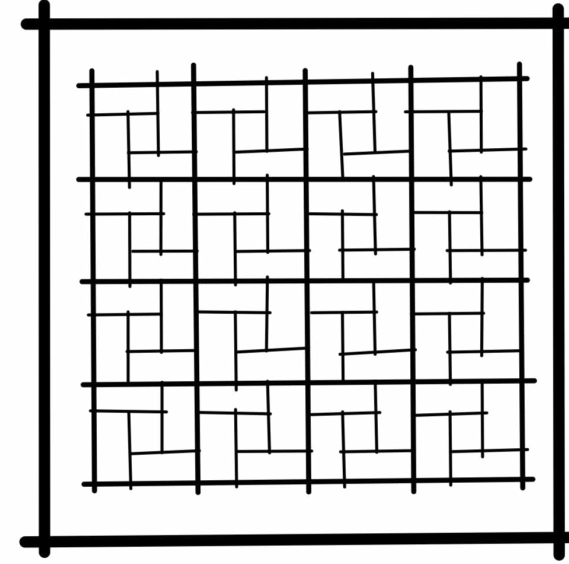
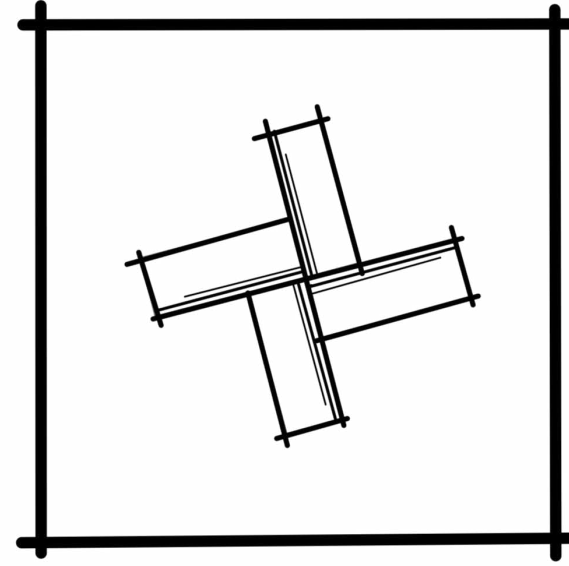
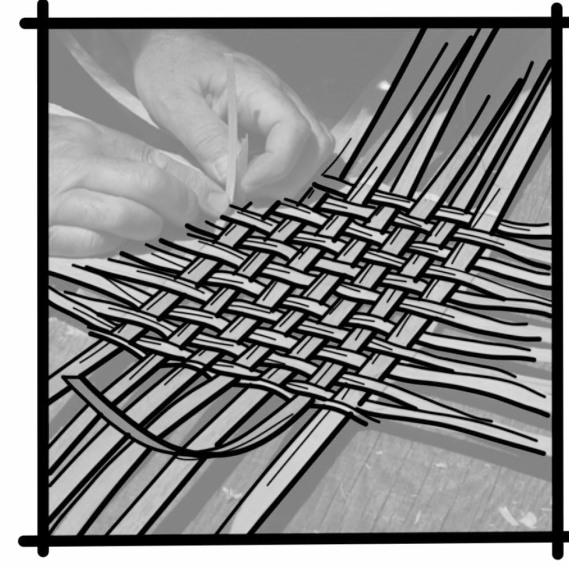
Using the existing landscape around the site, we pulled our layering inspiration from the mountains that hug the Valle de Guadalupe. Mirroring the mountain scape into our design, we wanted to use this to our advantage in creating a dynamic inclusion of elements.

CONCEPT

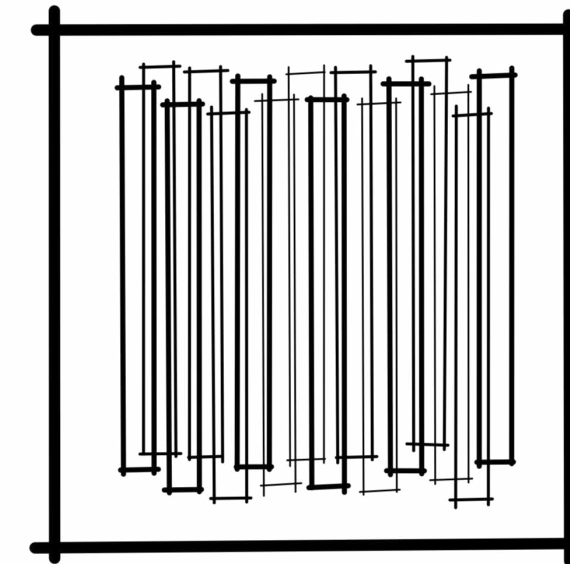
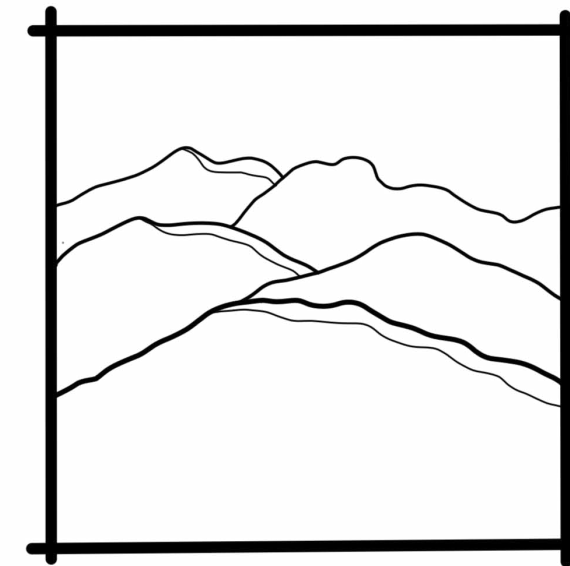
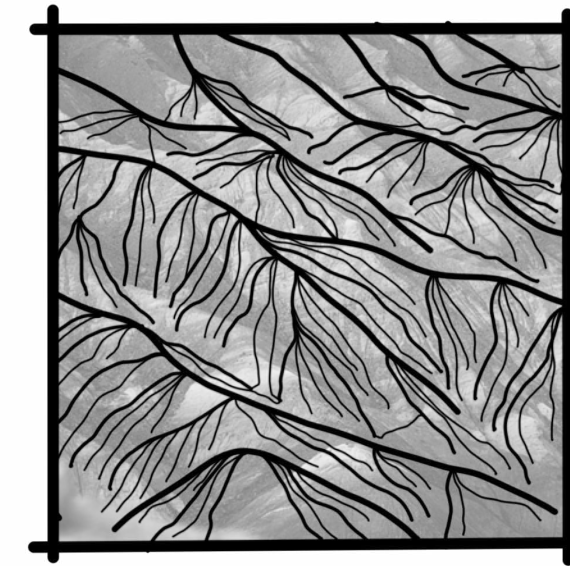
RADIAL



PATTERN



LAYERING



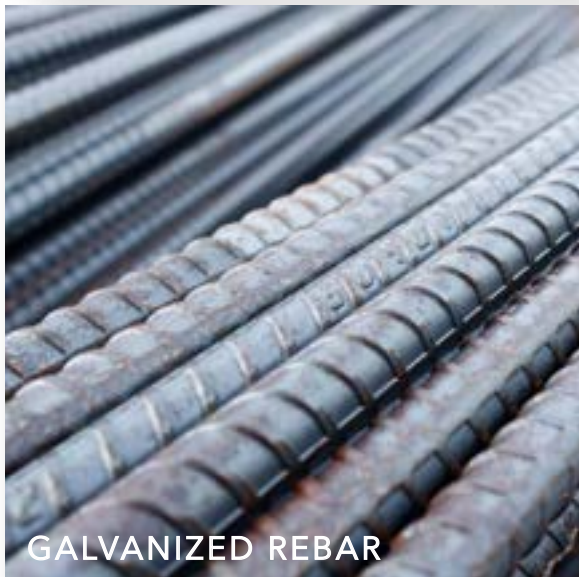
MATERIALS



GALVANIZED PIPES



CORRUGATED ROOF



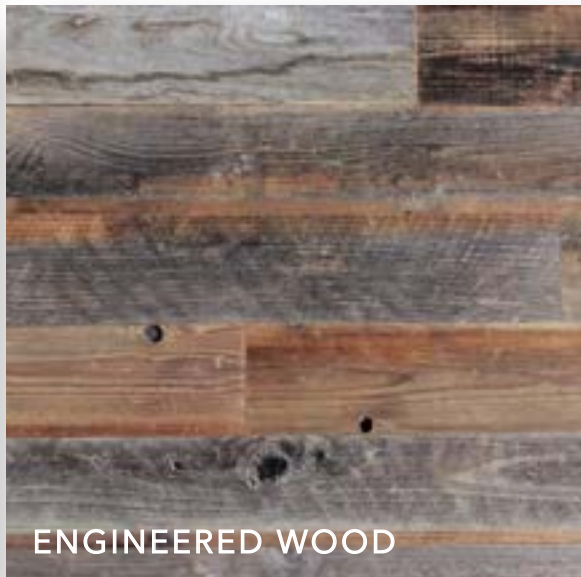
GALVANIZED REBAR



URBAN CONCRETE PANEL



PATINA METAL SHEET



ENGINEERED WOOD



ENGINEERED CONCRETE



BEAMS AND COLUMNS

LEED + WELL v2

LIGHT

Enhanced Daylight Access
L05



A crossover of both WELL and LEED is an integration of daylight into indoor environments so that daylight may be used for visual tasks along with electric lighting. This is done in various spaces by utilizing large windows and minimal indoor and outdoor division.

THERMAL COMFORT

Outdoor Thermal Comfort
T09



Designed outdoor spaces to avoid excessive wind and manage elevated temperatures through shading or other strategies. The exterior temperature is lowered through an increased amount of awnings and through the width extension of pre-existing awnings. This method provides shade for guests and is located in positions that harness the local breeze.

MIND

Access to Nature
M02



A crossover of both WELL and LEED is an integration of nature into the project's interior and exterior through design elements that supports direct access to nature using plants, water, light, views, and natural materials. This is incorporated through minimizing the barrier of interior and exterior by large windows or operable glass walls, skylights, plant integration, and use of local natural materials.

COMMUNITY

Accessibility and Universal Design
C13



A feature that requires projects to comply with basic accessible design requirements in their region and integrate principles of universal design into the design and operation of the space. This integration is done by providing an adequate amount of passageway and ramps for locations with elevated floor heights. In addition to mobility accessibility, there is also an integration of accessible lodging.

PRE-EXISTING
MAIN BUILDING

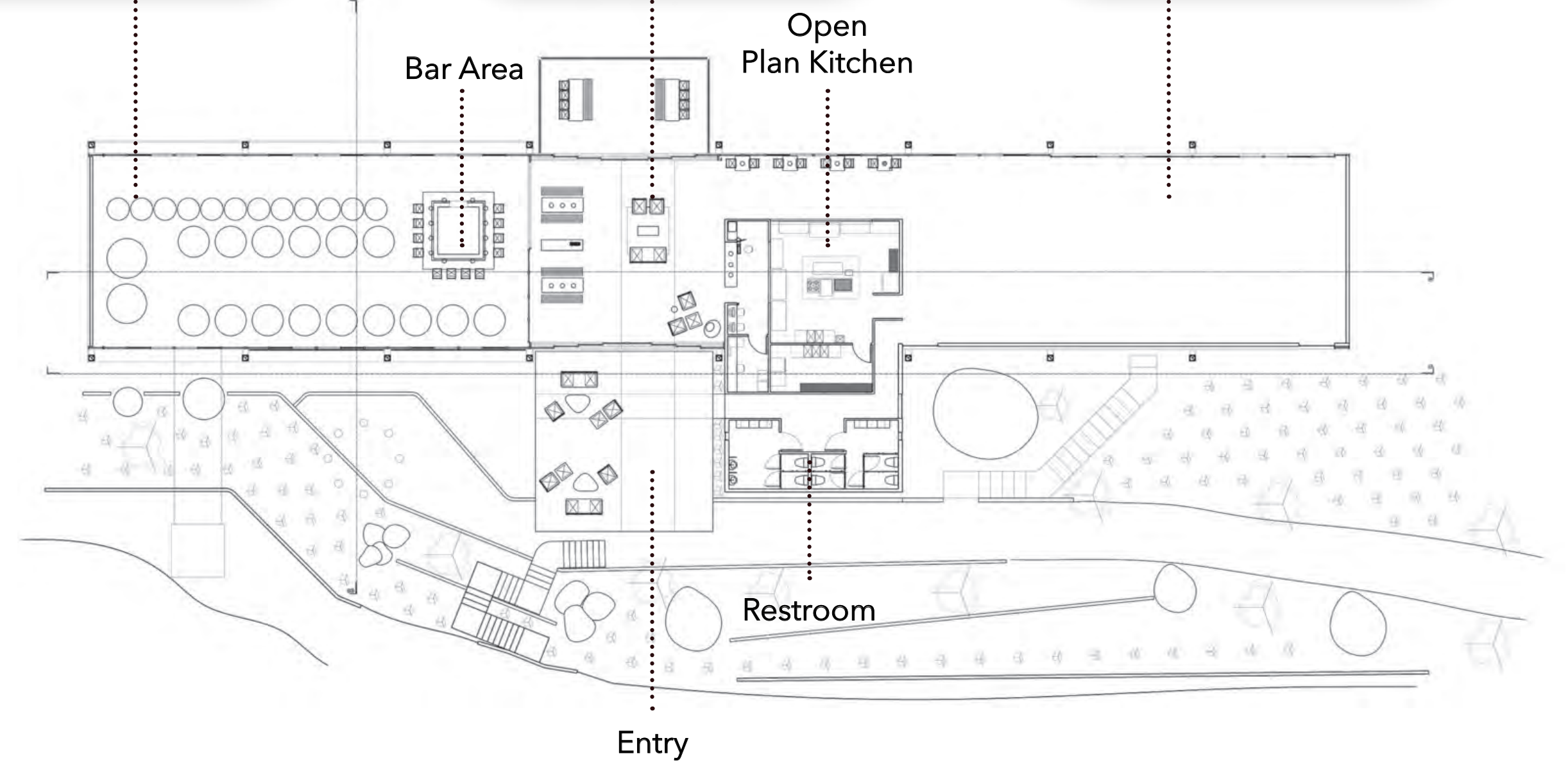
Dining Area



Lobby/Reception

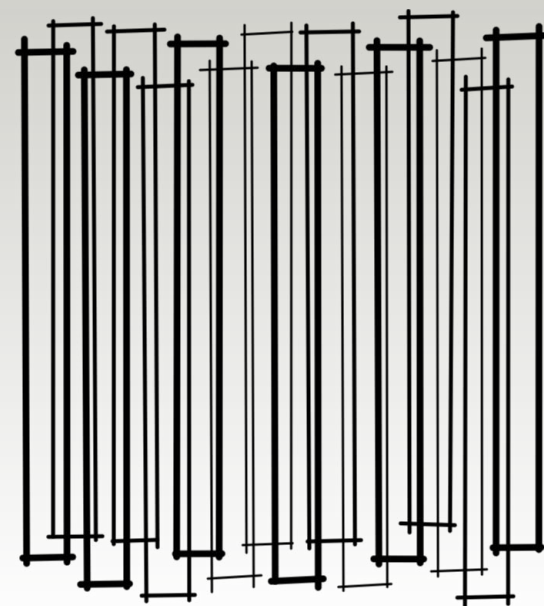


Event Hall



MAIN BUILDING

The new layout design of the main building was created to provide a better traffic flow for all parties utilizing the space. The lobby was moved outside to be a clear indication where guests check in, as well as the lobby space, which was placed adjacent with custom wood panel seating. Inside, there is a unique common space where guests can wait for their event or table reservation. The restaurant was moved to the right side of the building to enable a more mood lit environment, while the event hall was moved to the opposite side of the building to really take advantage of the pre-existing floor to ceiling windows. To incorporate the outdoors inside the main building, chiseled rock seating was brought in to add more interest to the space, as well as, an additional dynamic feature. The continuous use of wood, concrete, and steel are the reoccurring materials used in this space



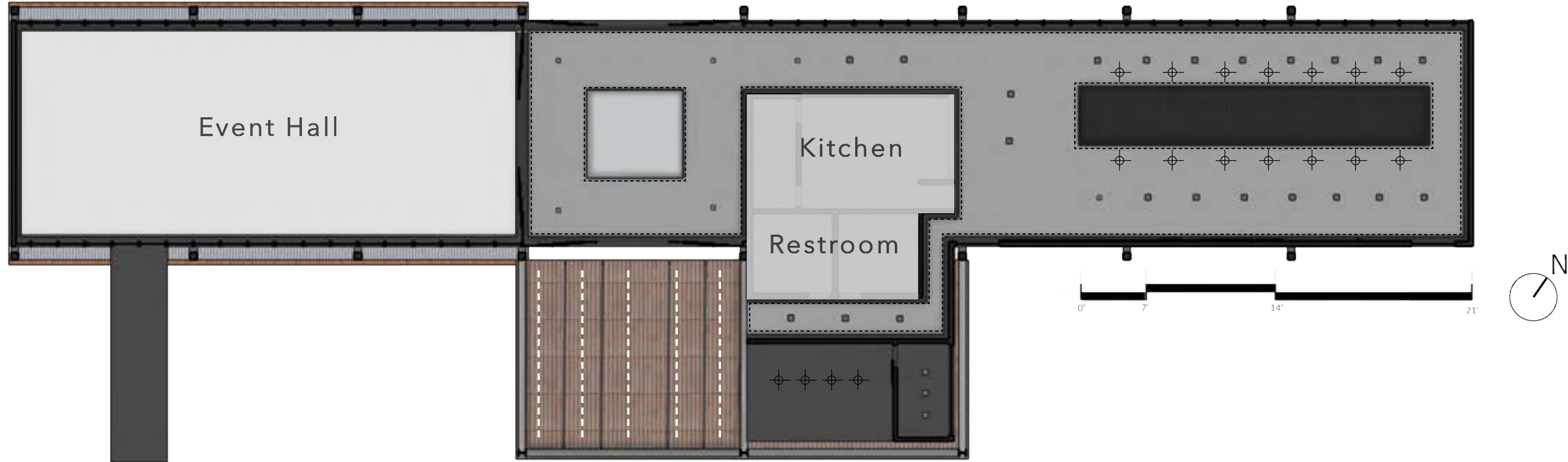
FLOOR PLAN



Legends:

- ① Reception Desk
- ② Lobby
- ③ Communal Space
- ④ View Deck
- ⑤ Dining Area
- ⑥ Bar Area

REFLECTIVE CEILING PLAN

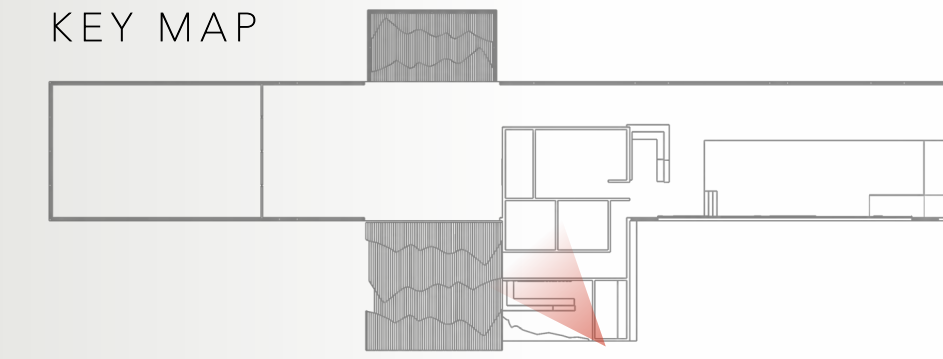


- Legends:
- Cove Light
 - Recessed Light
 - ⊕ Pendant light
 - - - LED Tube Light

RECEPTION AREA



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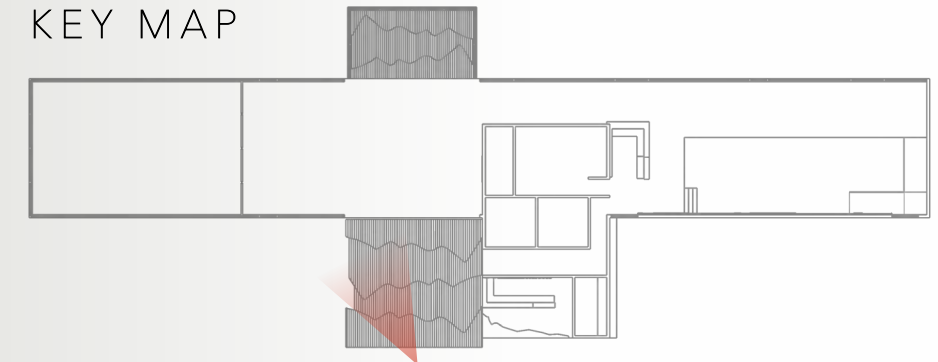


The reception is the first introduction guests experience of The Encuentro Guadalupe and displays the connection to nature by its exposure to the surrounding landscape. This area features a custom reception desk, galvanized steel pipes, and industrial lighting.

LOBBY AREA



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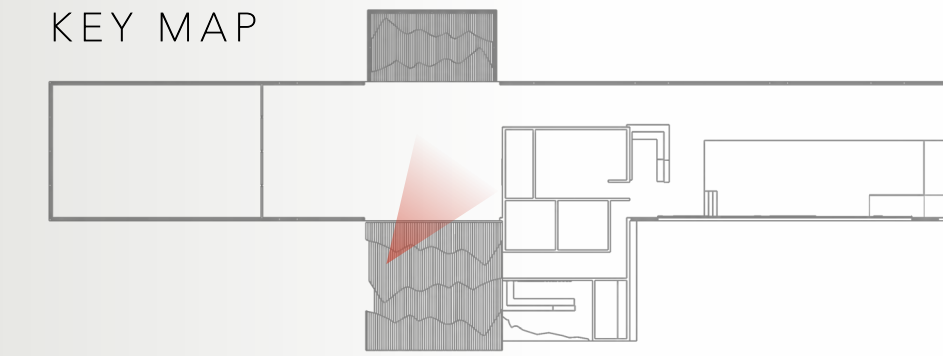


The lobby creates a welcoming indoor and outdoor experience for guests as they arrive to check in or wait for the hotel shuttle. While waiting, guests can enjoy nature while resting on custom benches, designed to mimic the local mountainside.

COMMON SPACE



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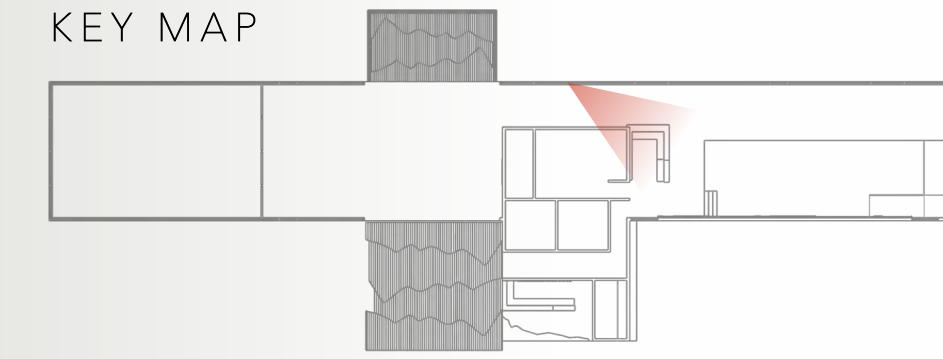


The common space was designed as an area where guests with restaurant reservations can pass the time or parties could gather and socialize. This space utilizes natural light through the skylight and incorporates the landscape indoors for a cohesive fusion.

RESTAURANT + BAR AREA



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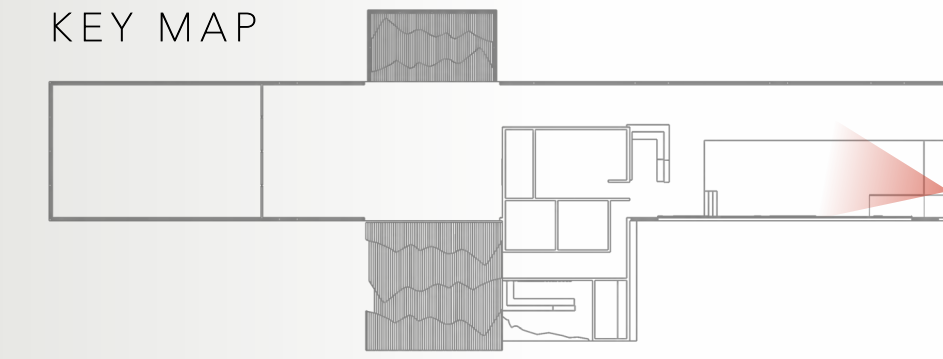


This view features the restaurant and the bar as each guest enters the room. This space offers natural sunlight through floor to ceiling windows, a skylight, and artificial lighting. Using this light, attention is drawn towards the outside view, as well as the custom wood wall, designed to represent the local mountainside.

DINING AREA

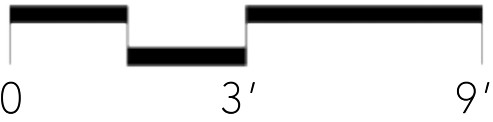
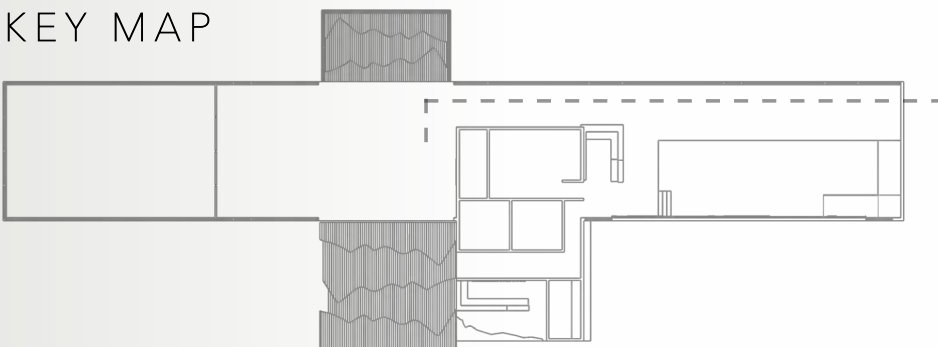


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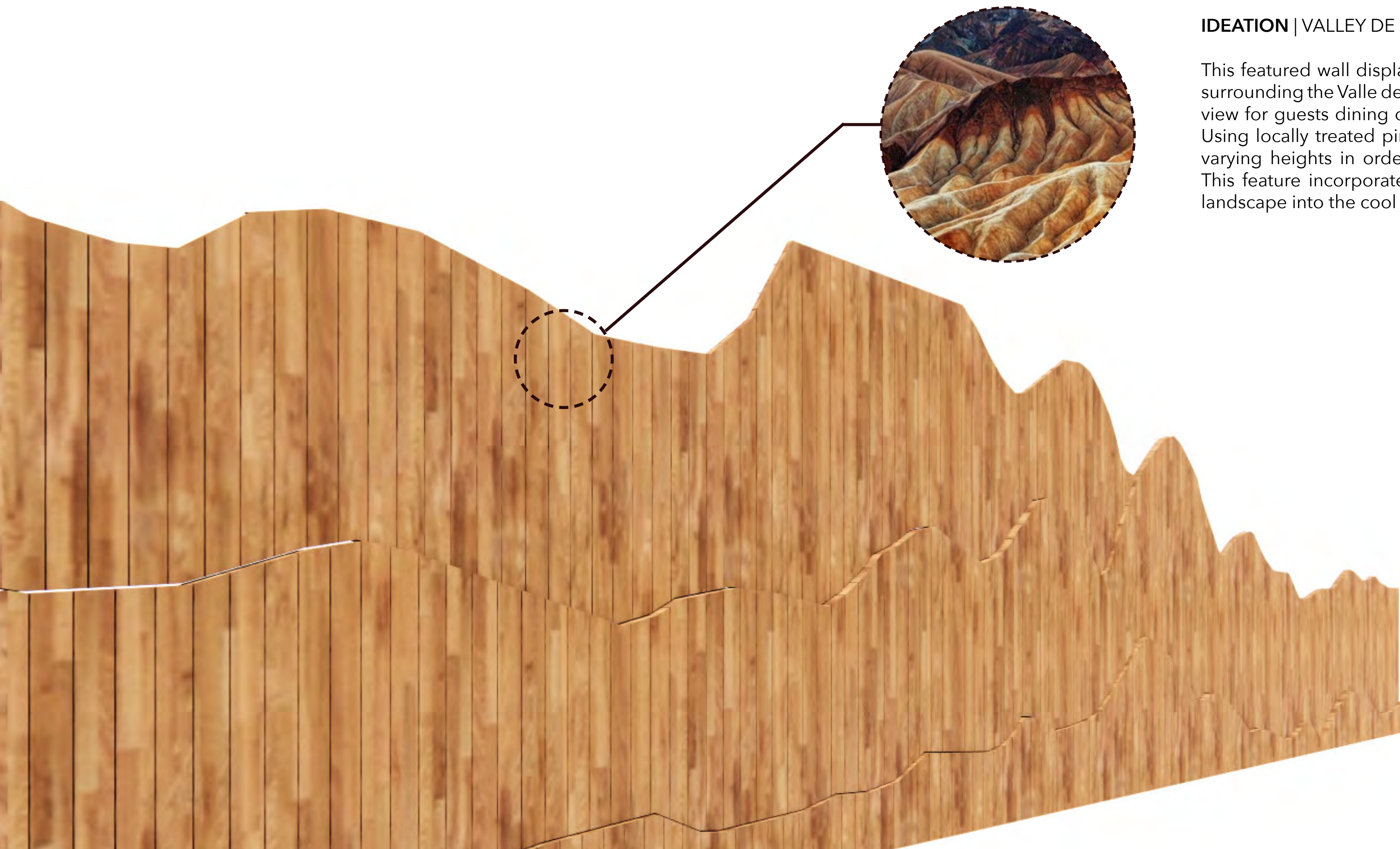


This dining area view is from the accessible ramp that was installed to allow guests of all abilities to access the upper level of the restaurant. Being featured in this perspective is the custom rock banquette seating and the woven metal skylight screen that adds a unique element to this space.

RESTAURANT SECTION VIEW



DETAILS | FEATURED WALL

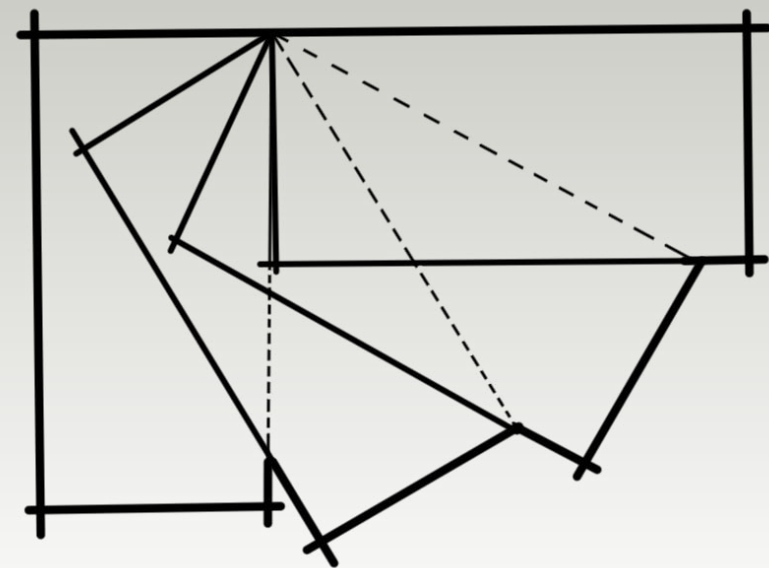


IDEATION | VALLEY DE GUDALUPE

This featured wall displays an abstract representation of the mountains surrounding the Valle de Guadalupe, and was designed to create a scenic view for guests dining on the opposite side of the restaurant windows. Using locally treated pine wood, the wall panels are 2" thick and have varying heights in order to represent movement from the mountains. This feature incorporates warmth and the comfort of the surrounding landscape into the cool interior.

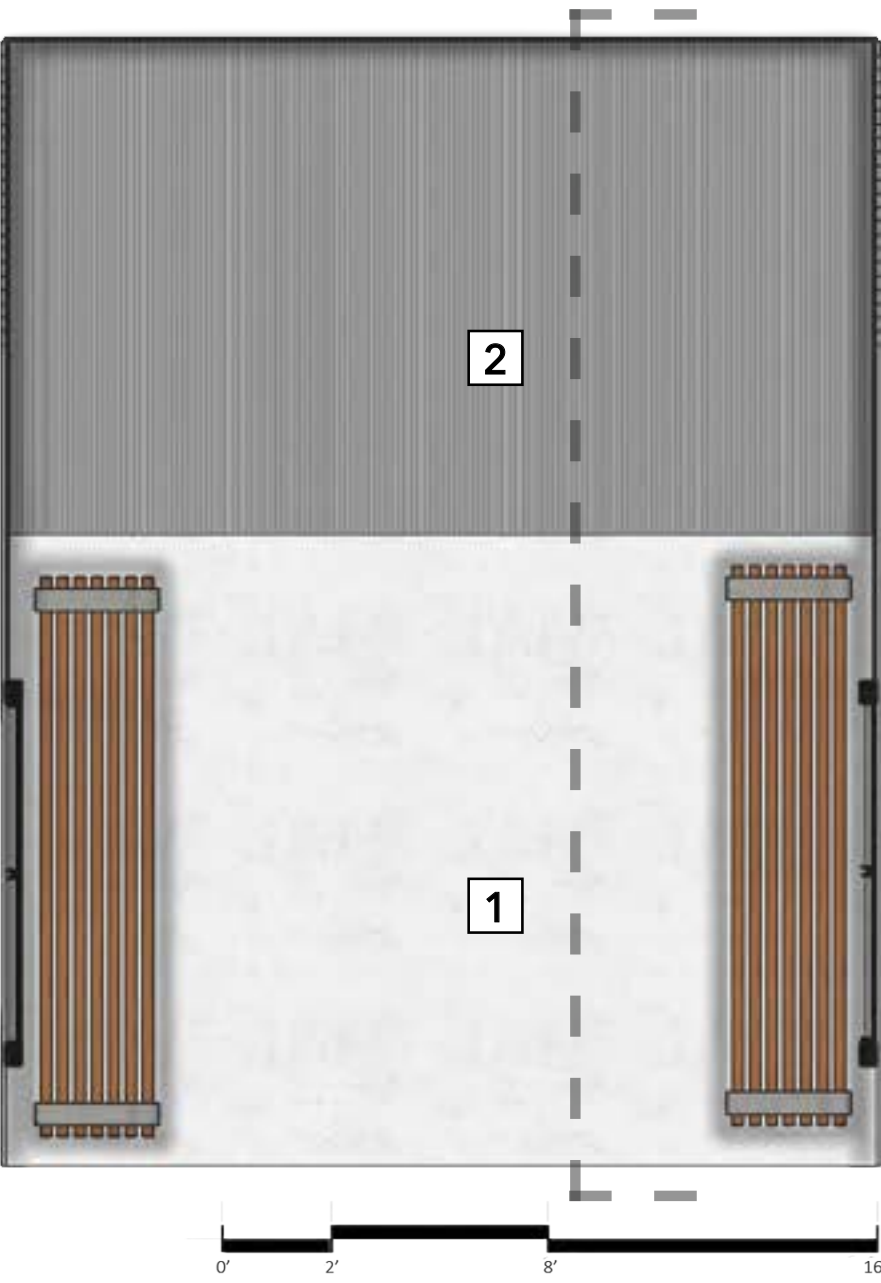
SHUTTLE WAITING AREA

The *shuttle waiting area* is a redesign of an already existing space on the site and was redesigned to not only be utilized as a seating and waiting area, but an area that provides an experience. The *concrete flooring* was expanded and a *glass frame*, stabilized by *rebar*, expands beyond the pre-existing structure. This detail was added in order to give the current residing guest an experience of hovering over the surrounding landscape. The glass is a non-obstructive feature to allow the full emergence in the Valle de Guadalupe. Materials used are the steel *patina roof panels*, concrete, rebar, wood for the seating, glass, and steel frames for support.



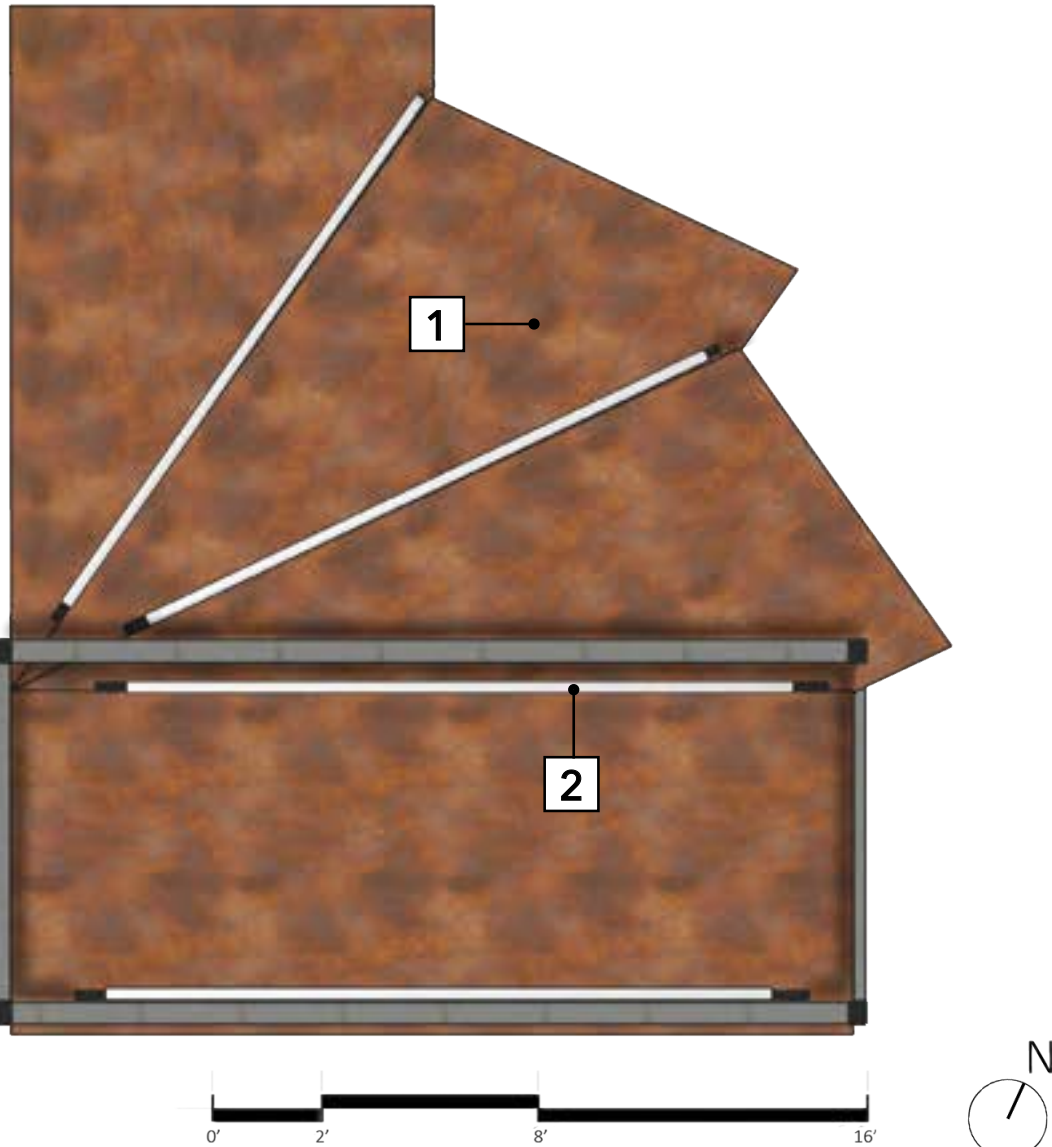
SHUTTLE WAITING AREA PLANS

FLOOR PLAN



- Legends:
- 1 Sitting Area
 - 2 View Deck

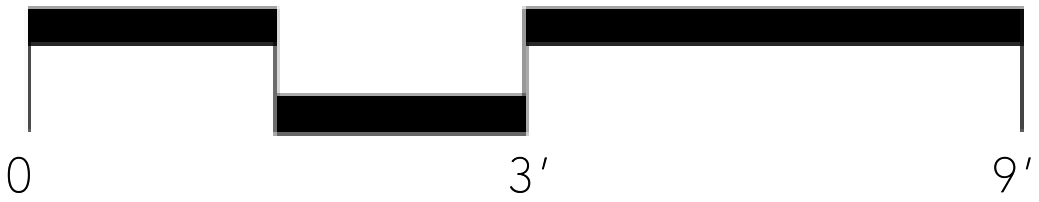
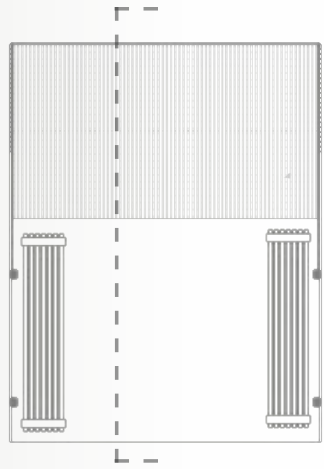
REFLECTED CEILING PLAN



- Legends:
- 1 Patina Metal Roof
 - 2 LED Tube Light

SECTION VIEW

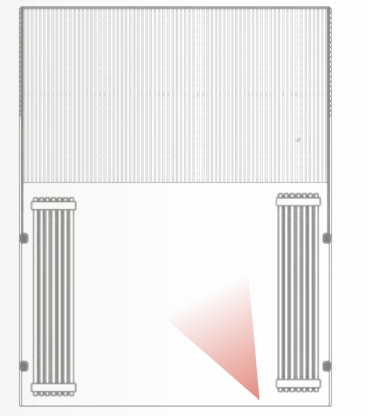
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INTERIOR VIEW



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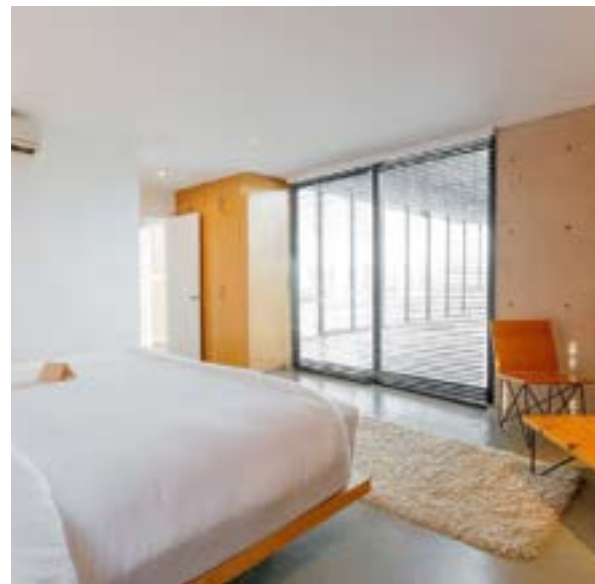
The shuttle waiting area is designed to provide a comfortable environment for each guest as they wait for the shuttle to arrive. The design of this space was to expand the platform from a normal stopping point, to an experience with an infinity platform extending over the hillside.



- 2 Bedrooms main bedroom with king size bed and bathroom with shower second bedroom with king size bed and bathroom right outside with shower
- Living area
- Kitchen dining table
- Gas chimney at the living area
- Private terrace overlooking the vineyards of the guadalupe valley



- No TV
- Wood
- AC + Heat
- Safety box
- Flashlight
- Fire Chimney
- Housekeeping
- Room Service
- Two-way radio
- Audio Aux Input
- Complimentary Minibar
- Complimentary High Speed Wi-Fi

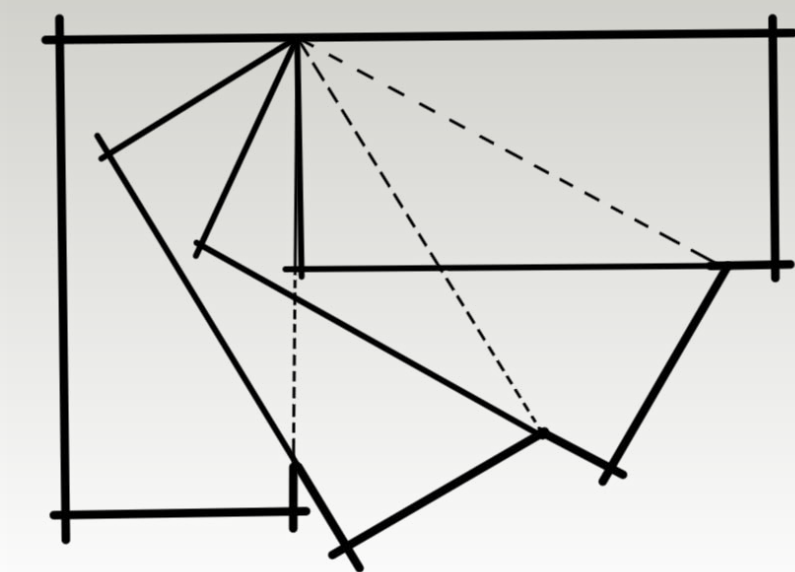


PRE-EXISTING
ECO CASA



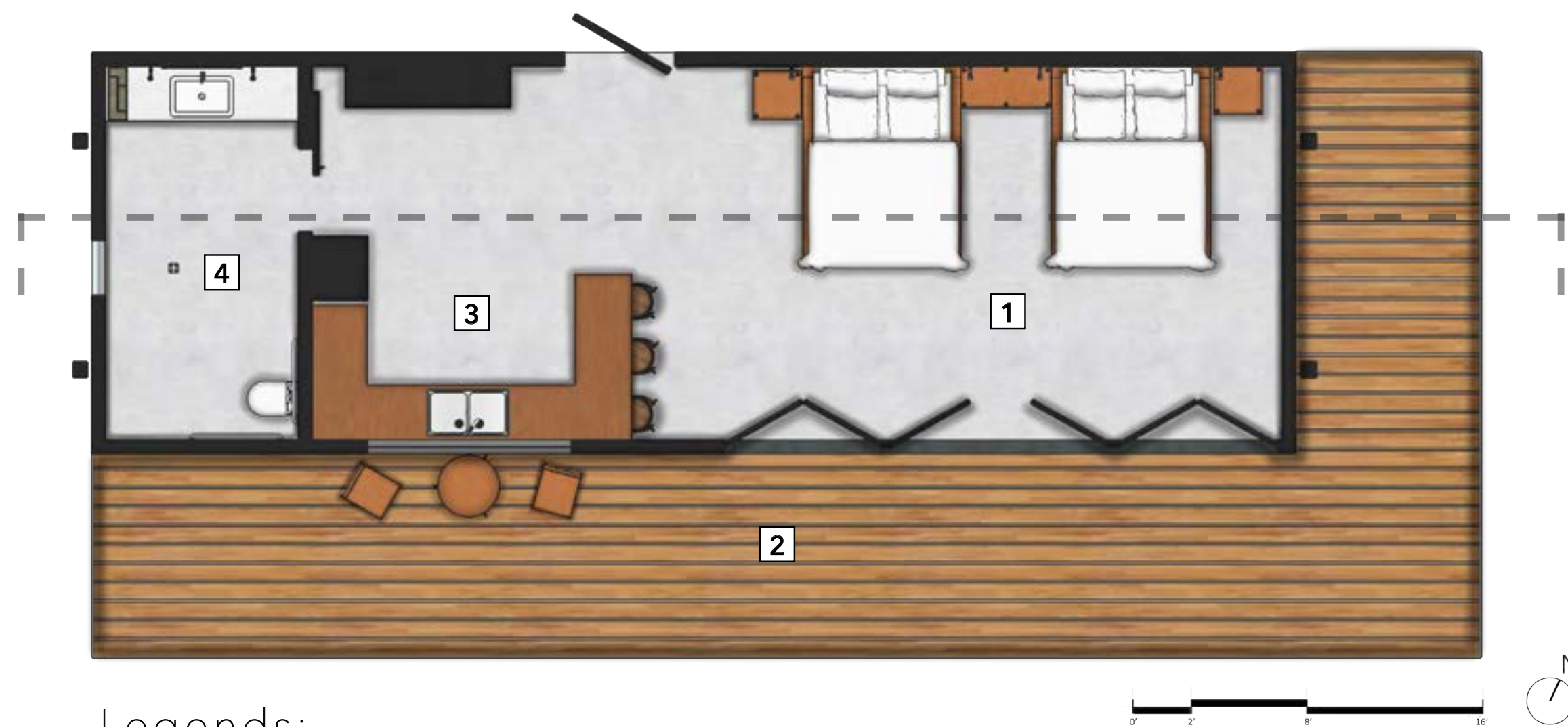
ACCESSIBLE ECO-CASA

Maintaining the original design, the accessible eco-casa features an expanded frame, a kitchenette, double queen beds, an ADA bathroom with a rainfall shower head, a built in closet, and an expansive deck. These features provide ample space for a user of any ability to move about the space in a comfortable manner. Included in this revamped design is the addition of a floor to ceiling glass door that allows the incorporation of the surrounding landscape, indoors.



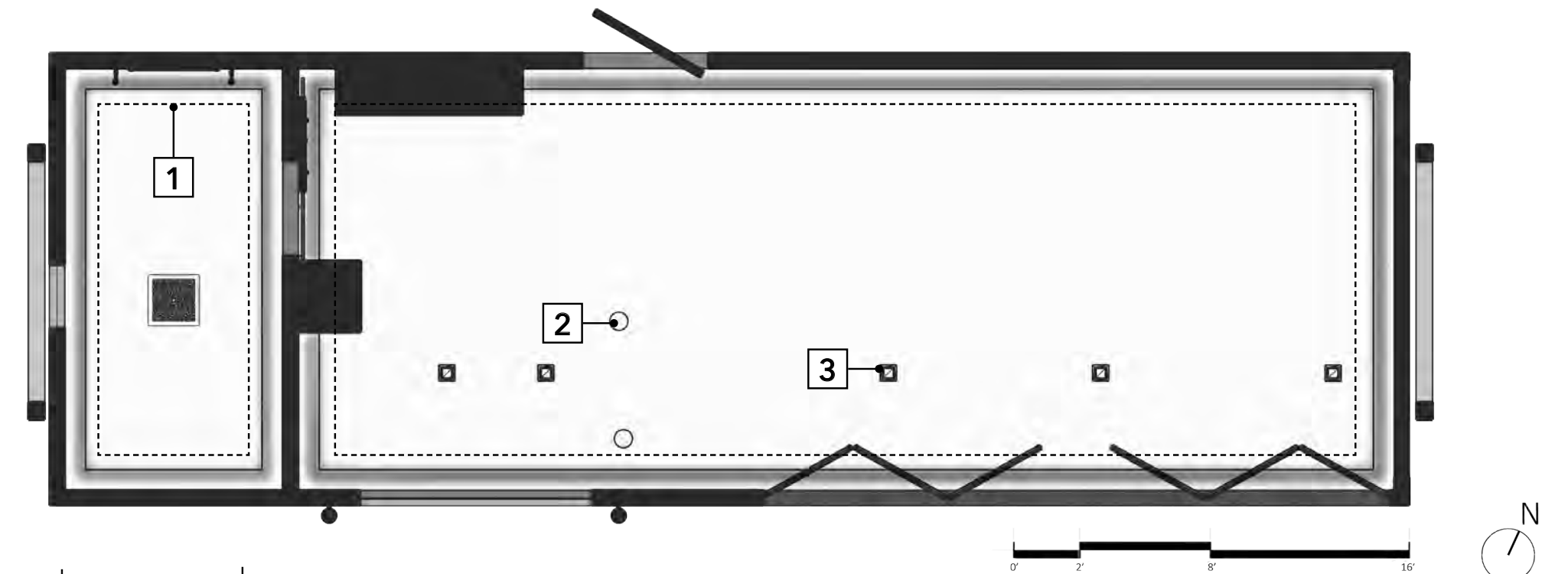
ECO-CASA PLANS

FLOOR PLAN



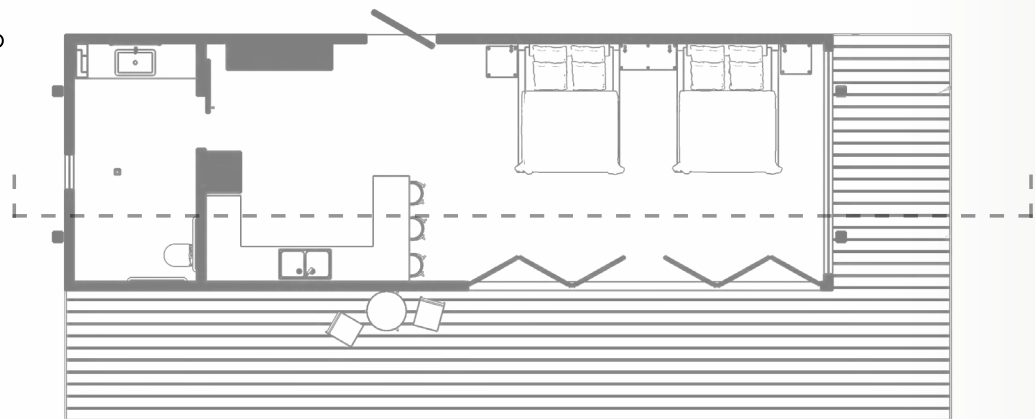
- Legends:
- 1 Bedroom
 - 2 Patio
 - 3 Kitchen
 - 4 Bathroom

REFLECTED CEILING PLAN

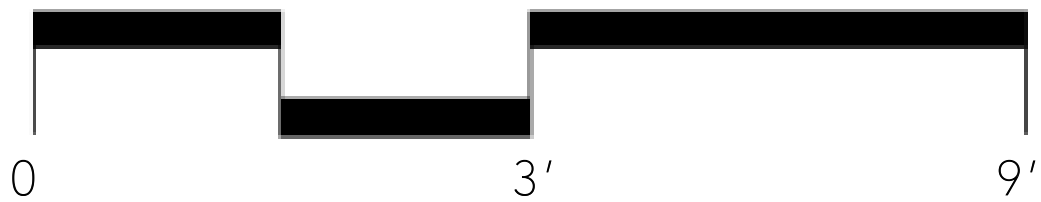


- Legends:
- 1 Cove Light
 - 2 Pendant Light
 - 3 Recessed Light

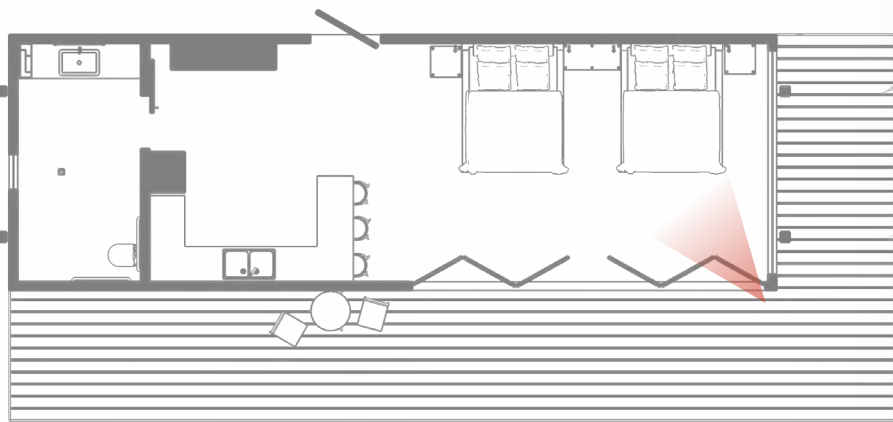
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SECTION VIEW



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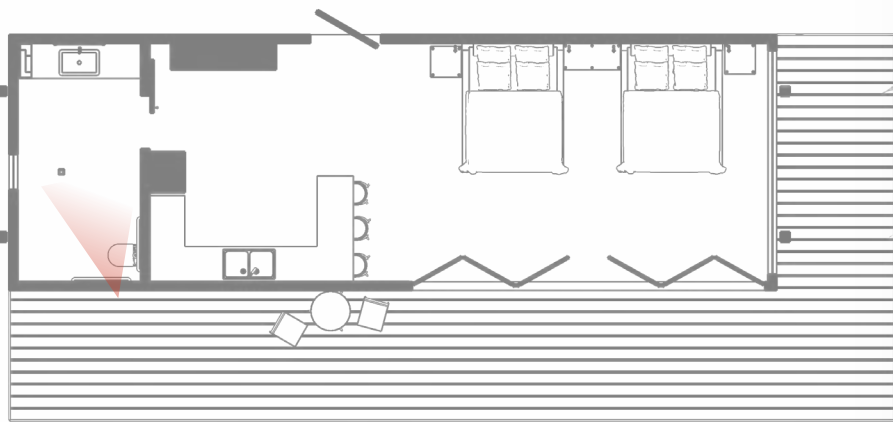


INTERIOR VIEW



The Eco-Casa is an ADA designed room that offers two queen beds, a small kitchenette, and a full bath. The interior displays a clean design and uses local materials such as concrete, treated pine wood, and custom made furniture.

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BATHROOM VIEW

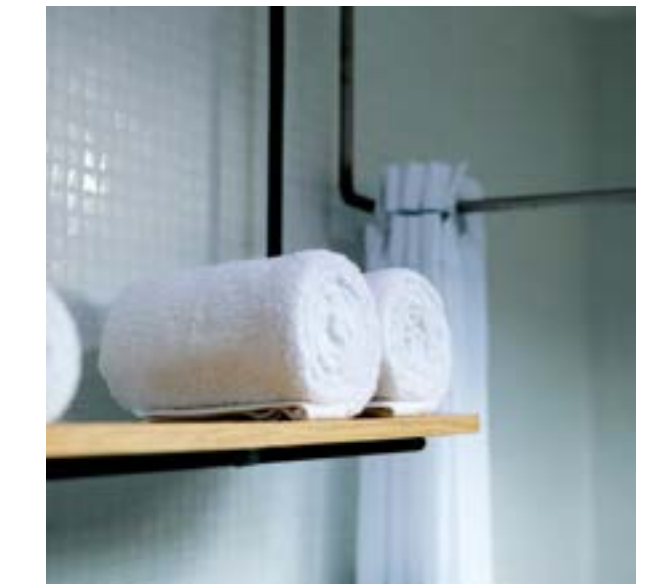
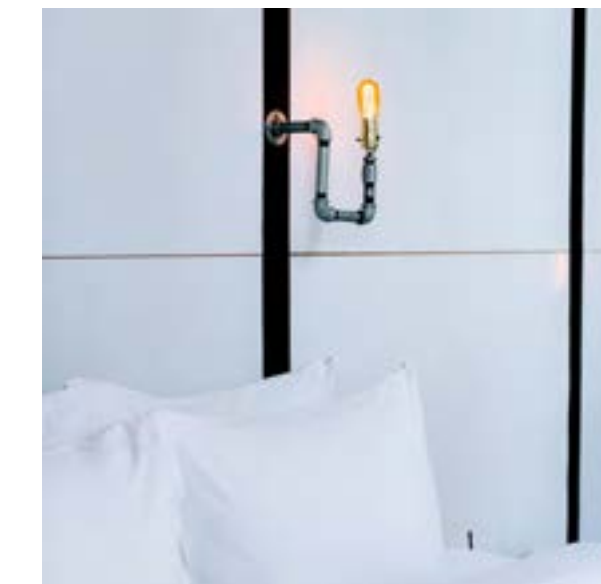
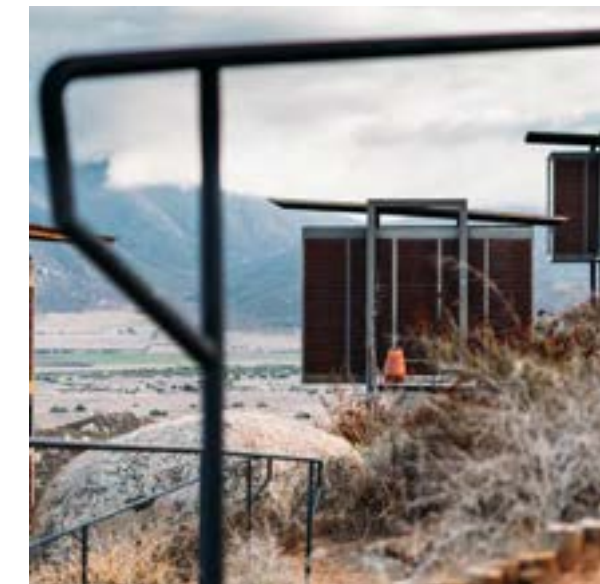


The bathroom, having a clean design similar to the room, offers minimal visual distractions in order to allow each guest to connect with the surrounding landscape. The material and color choice was minimal to further enhance the outdoor connection.

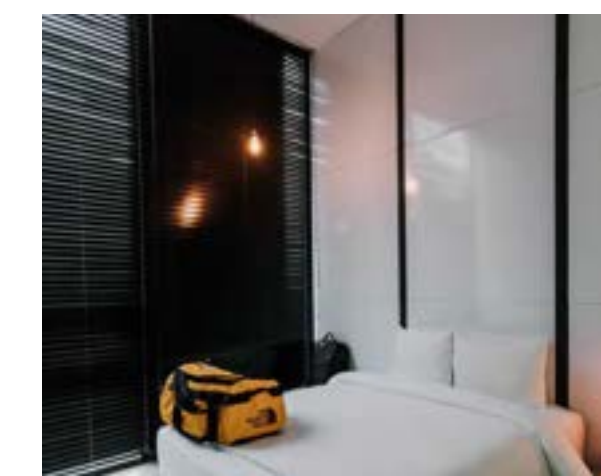
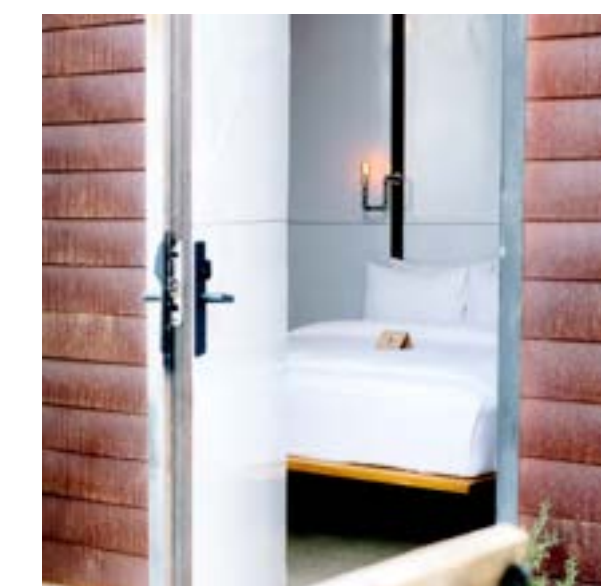
PRE-EXISTING
ECO LOFT



- King size bed or 2 double beds
- Complimentary high-speed wi-fi
- Private bathroom with shower
- Audio aux input
- Two-way radio
- Ac + heat

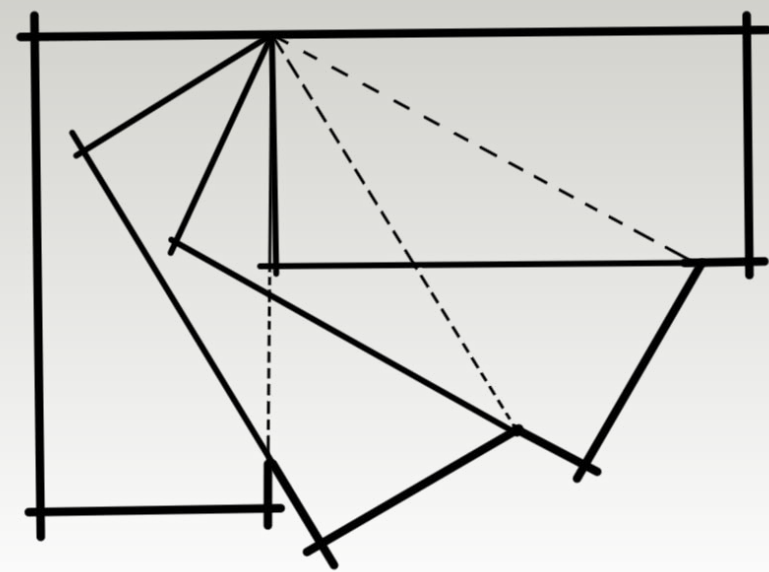


- No TV
- Wood
- Fire Chimney
- Housekeeping
- Minibar w/local offerings
- Private Terrace with views of the surrounding Valley



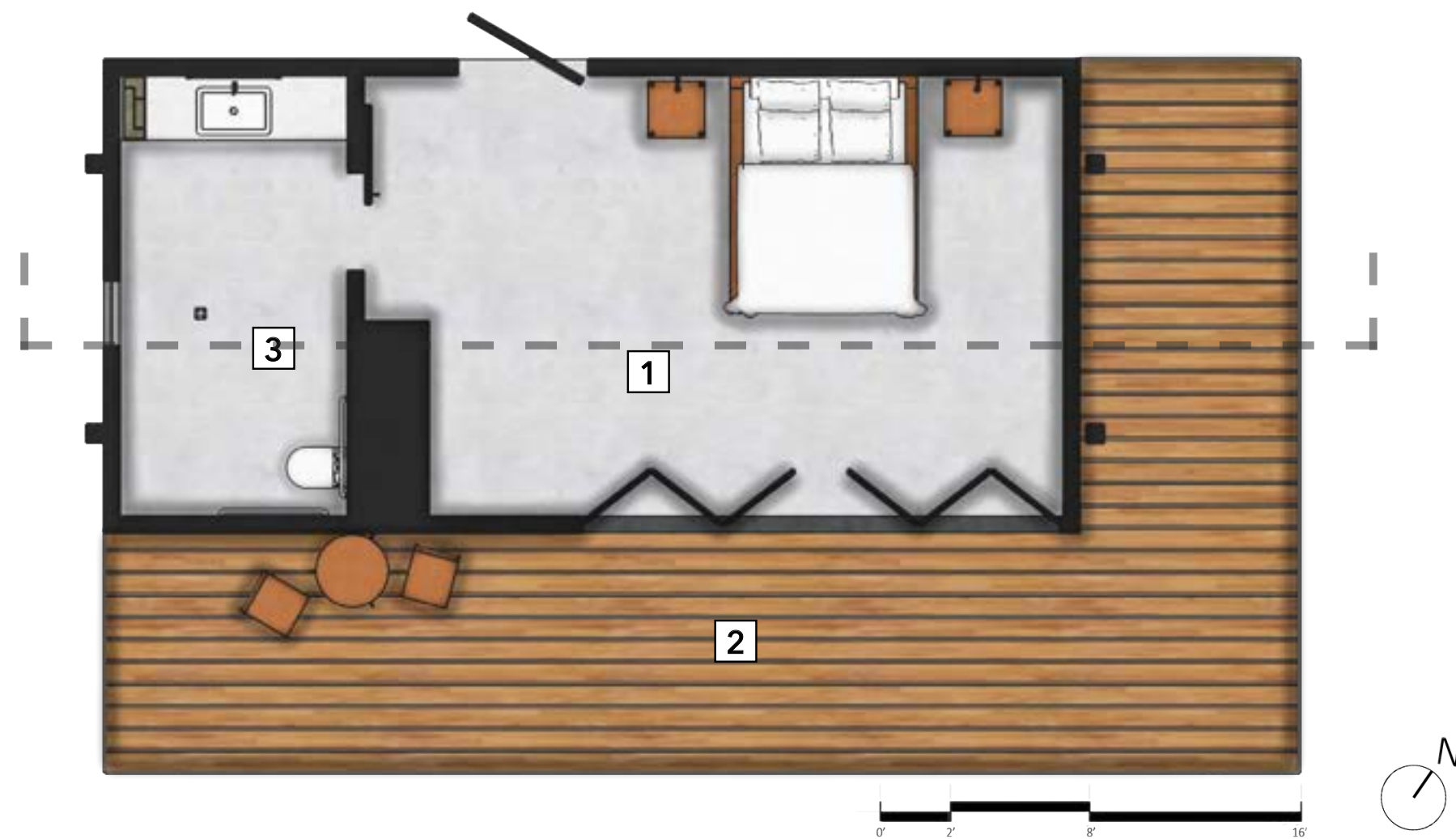
ACCESIBLE ECO-LOFT

The accessible eco-loft provides ample space for abilities of all kinds, while maintaining the original concept. This space consists of one queen bed, two nightstands, a built in closet, an ADA bathroom with a rainfall shower head, and an expansive deck. Using the pre-existing materials, this design also incorporates new architectural features. Included in these features are the radial patina roof panels, cantilevers for support, a floor to ceiling glass door, and a rebar guardrail.



ECO-LOFT PLANS

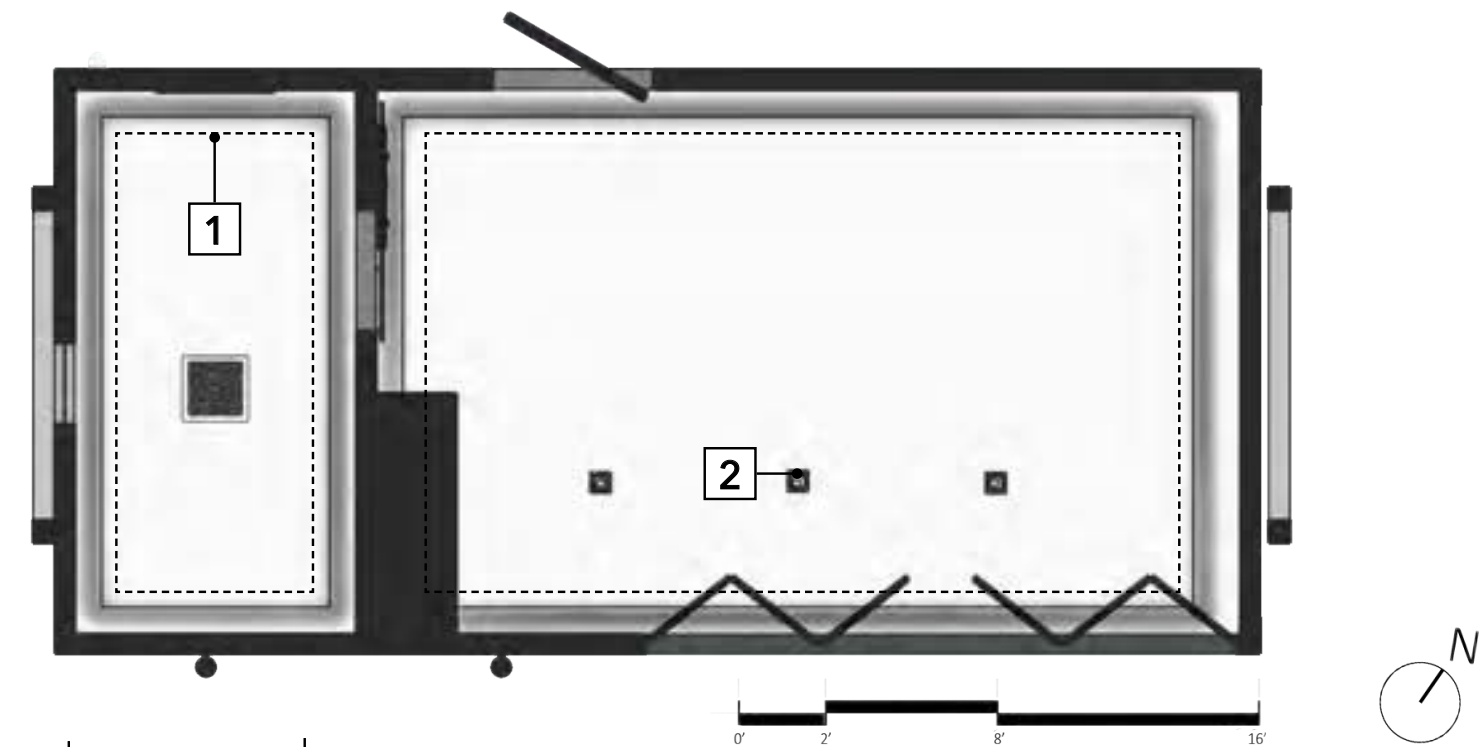
FLOOR PLAN



Legends:

- 1 Bedroom
- 2 Patio
- 3 Bathroom

REFLECTED CEILING PLAN

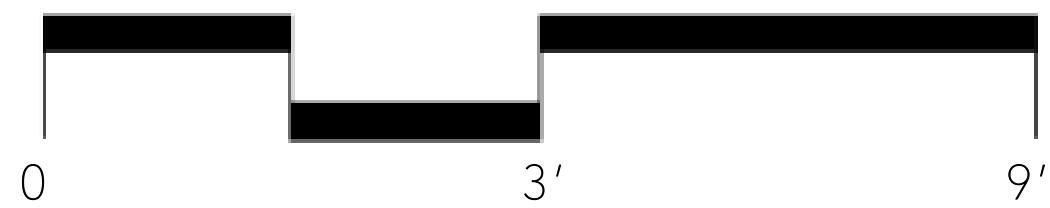
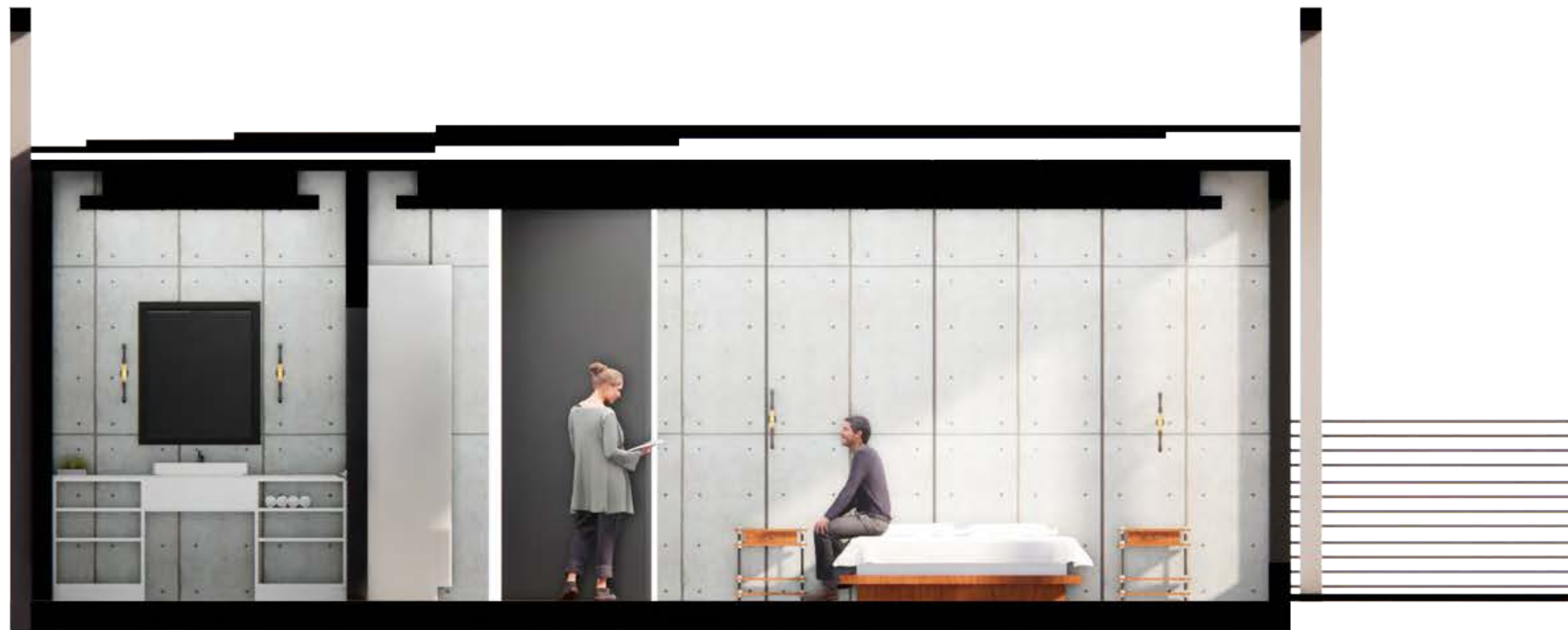
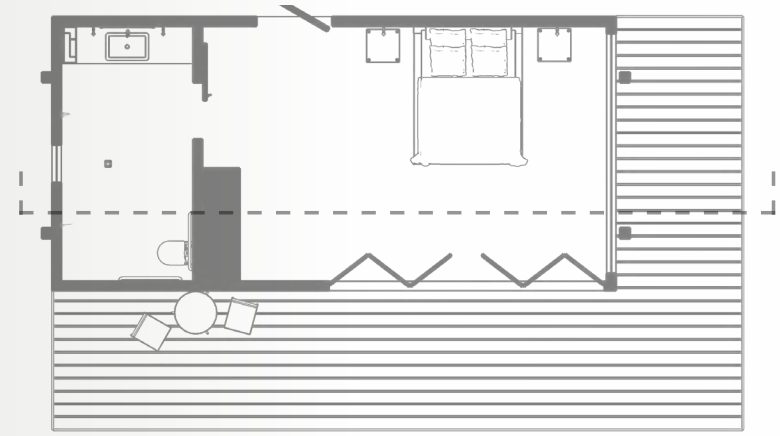


Legends:

- 1 Cove Light
- 2 Recessed

SECTION VIEW

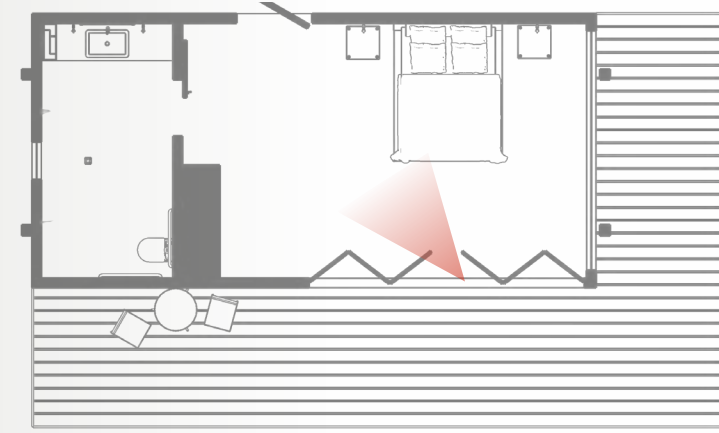
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INTERIOR VIEW



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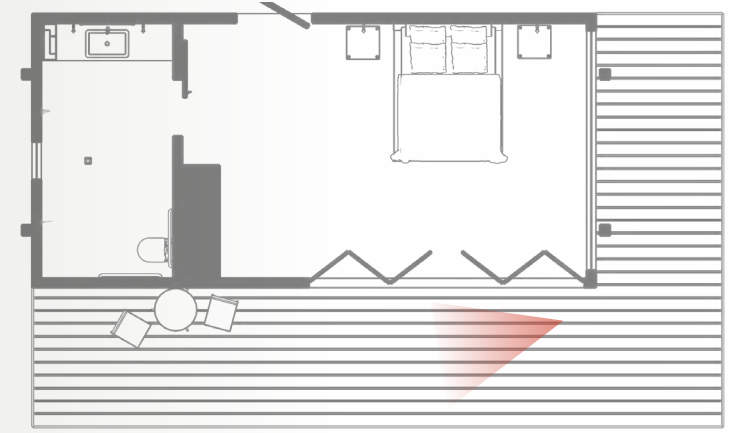


The Eco-Loft is an ADA designed room that offers one queen bed, storage, and a full bath. This space uses local materials such as concrete, treated pine wood, and custom made furniture to further a clean and minimal design.

BALCONY VIEW



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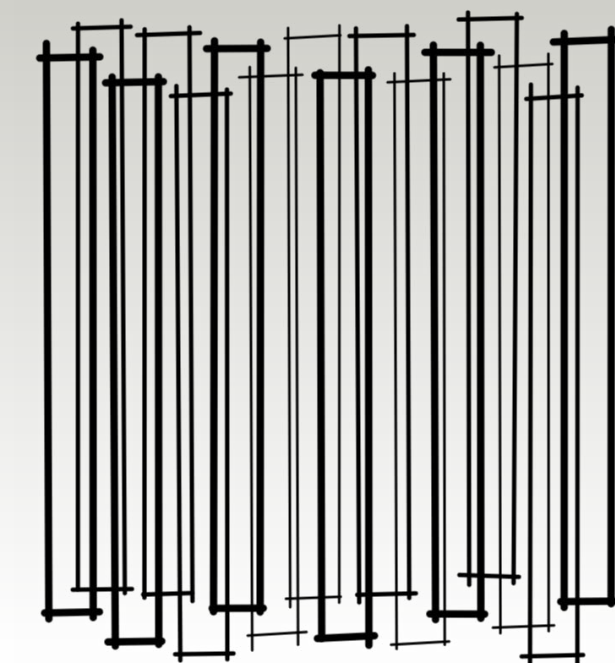


The balcony view is located off the bedroom and displays an expansive view of the Valle de Guadalupe. This exterior perspective shows the patina metal sheets used as the outside wall coverings as well as the radial awnings.



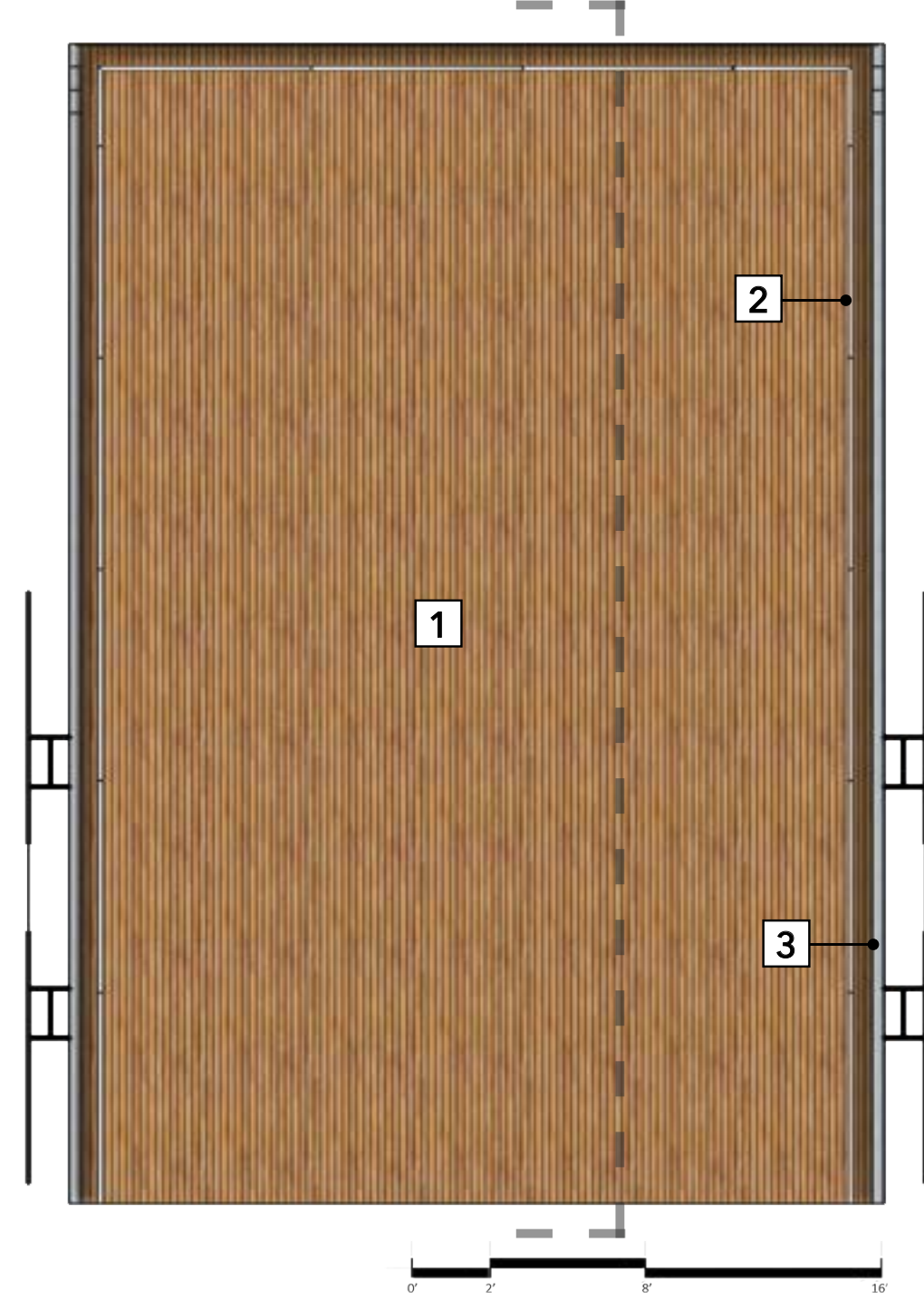
YOGA + MEDITATION AREA

The yoga and meditation area was designed to create a space where the user is transported to a deeper self awareness by the simplicity of the structure and the audible additions that it has to offer. Layered steel awnings provide shade while still allowing light and air to travel and through the space. The hollow steel pipes not only provide shade, but also, due to their expanded diameters, allow wind to pass through, creating a low hum, similar to that of white noise. This space was designed for the mental and physical well being of all the guests residing at the hotel.



YOGA + MEDITATION PLANS

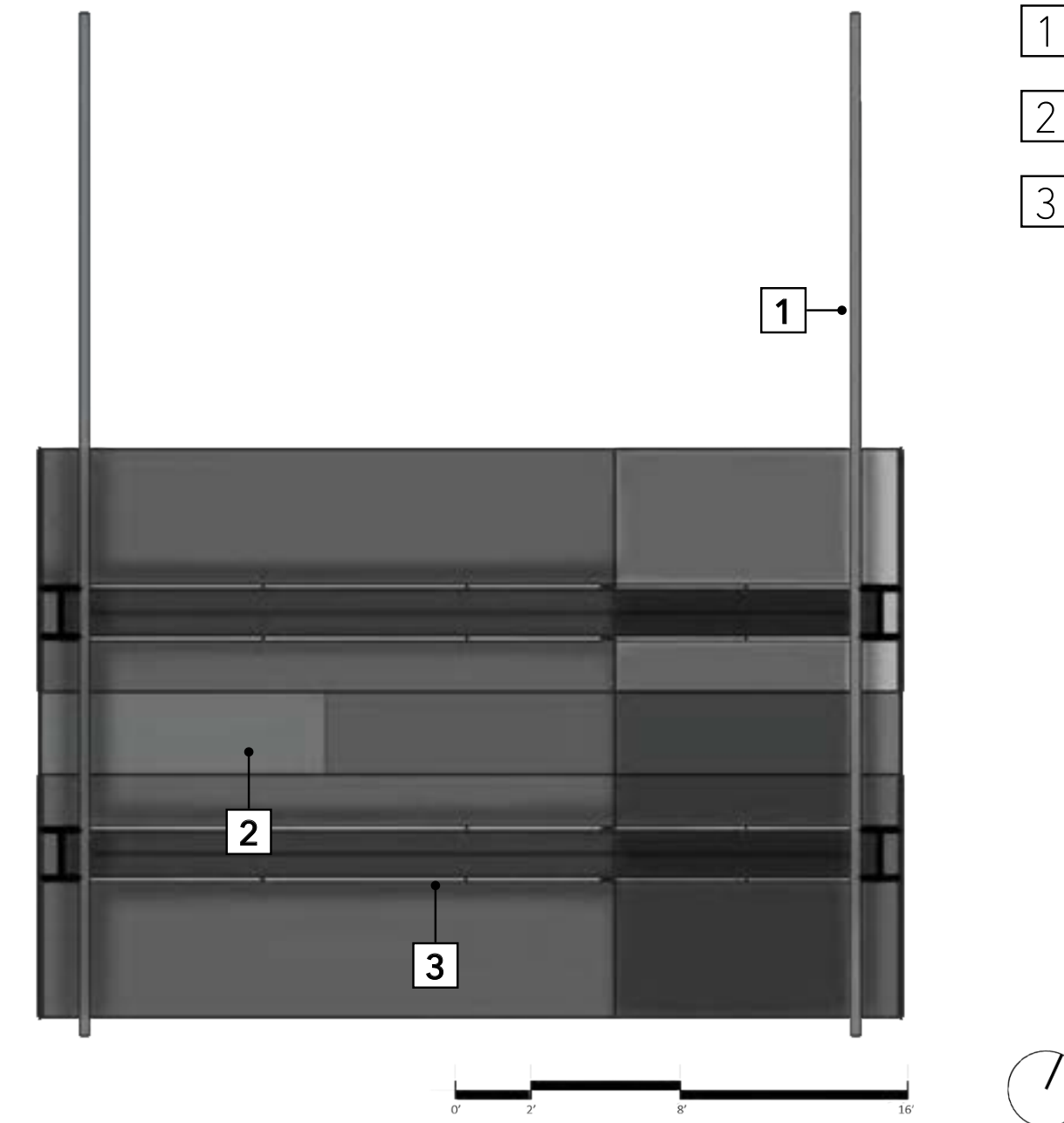
FLOOR PLAN



Legends:

- 1 Engineered Wood
- 2 Integrated LED
- 3 Galvanized Metal Pipes

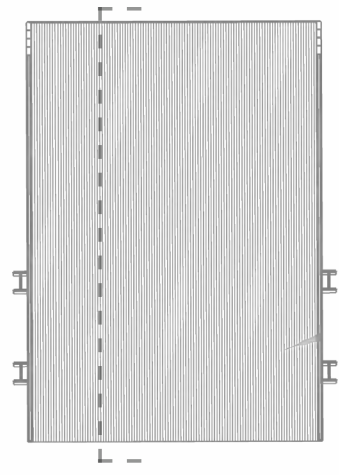
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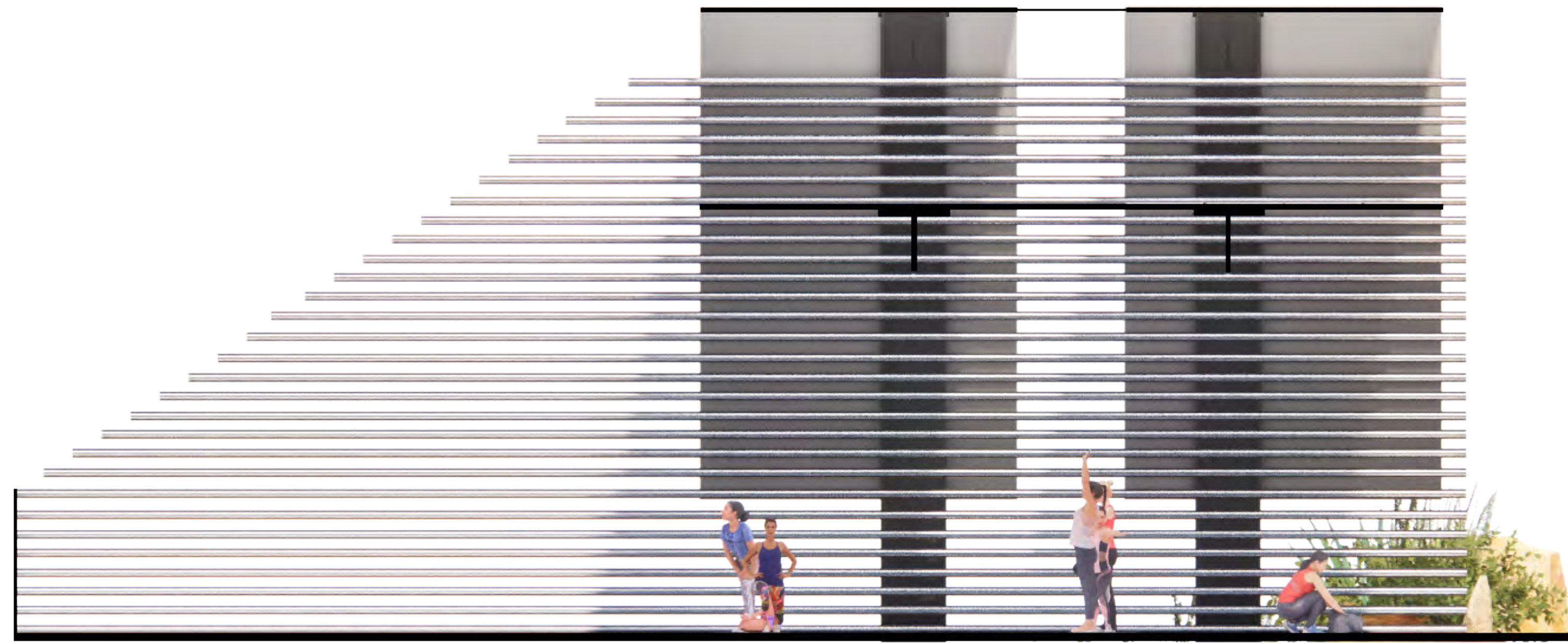
Legends:

- 1 Galvanized Metal Pipes
- 2 Fireglass
- 3 LED Tube Light

KEY MAP



SECTION VIEW



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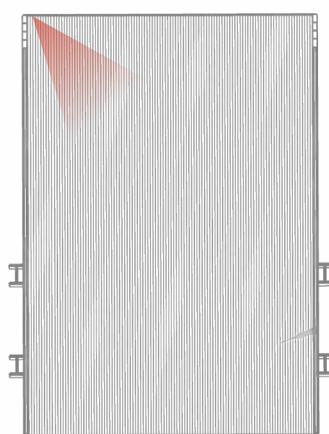
DETAILS | WALL PIPES

IDEATION | SINGING TREE FROM ENGLAND

Utilizing the local wind patterns, this structure was built to create a therapeutic location for guests to escape reality. The structure was designed with 3" wide galvanized steel pipes to create a low humming sound in the structure. The low humming sounds replicates white noise and varies with the intensity of the wind. Not only do the pipes create a harmonic choir, but they also provide ample shade throughout the day by filtering light through their spaced out gaps. Inspired by the Singing Ringing Tree in Burnley, United Kingdom designed by Mike Tonkin and Anna Liu, this design was meant to create a unique experience, while providing a healthy getaway space.



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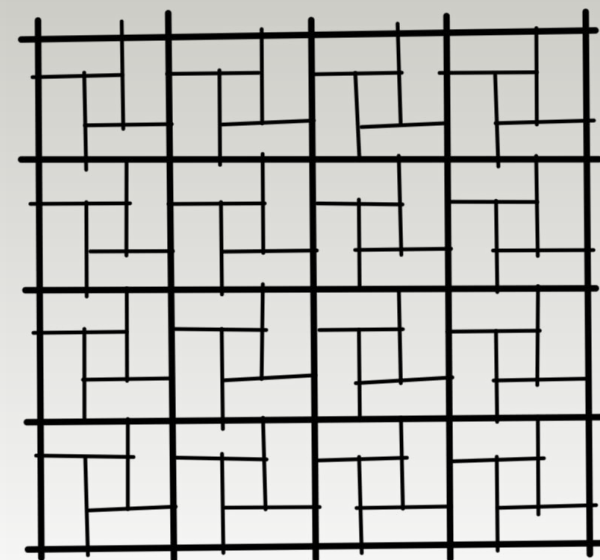
INTERIOR VIEW



The yoga and meditation space was designed to offer a diverse location that could accommodate various types of physical activities and classes. Using hollow galvanized steel pipes as the walls allows wind to pass through, creating a low humming white noise to fill the space.

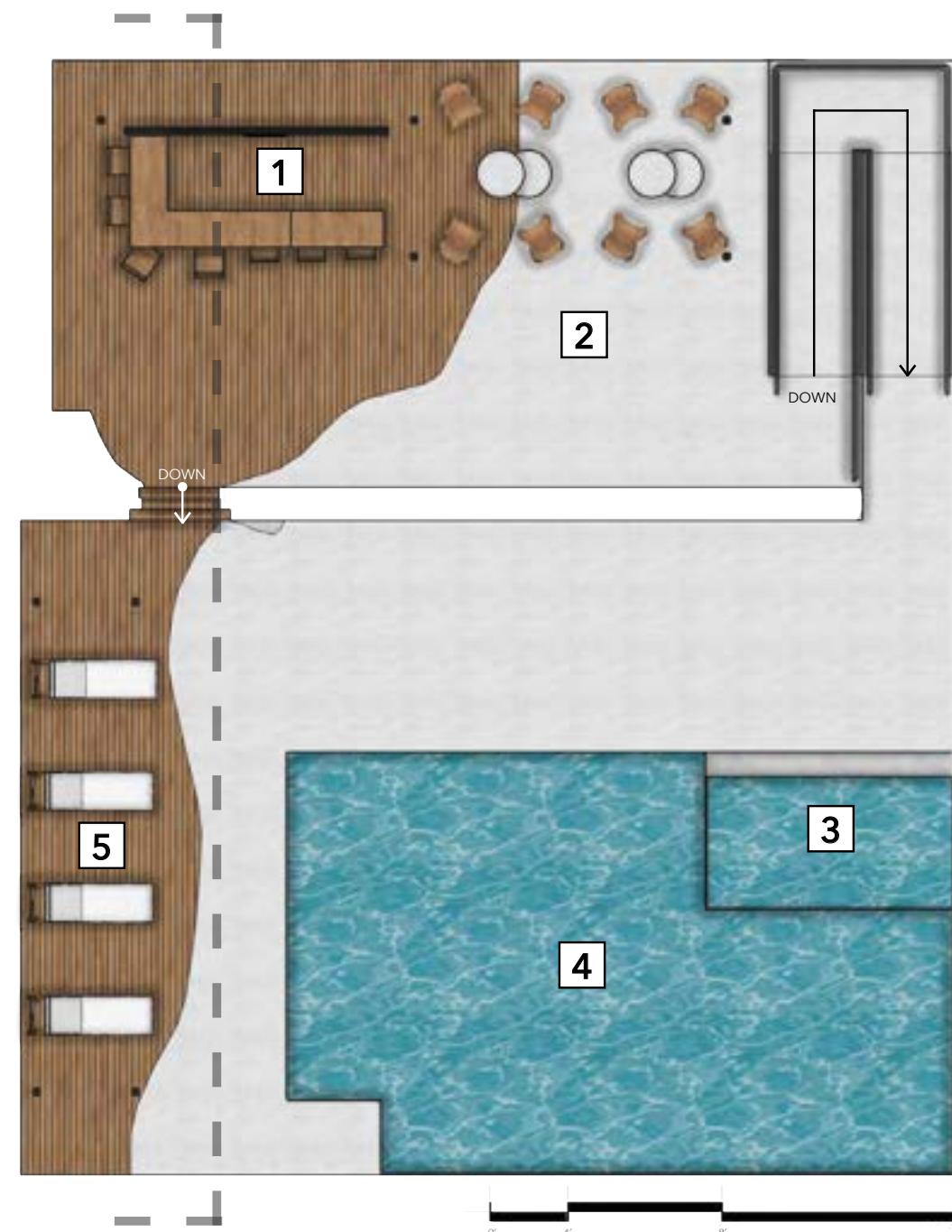
POOL + BAR AREA

The pool and bar design was intended to be inclusive of the surrounding nature and organic design that the landscape has to offer. The original steel structures from the loft designs were incorporated, as well as, orthogonal qualities to the structural components. Keeping the design simple, the basket weave patio provides shade, the concrete flooring provides a stable yet clean appearance, while wood accents include a warm and natural comfort to the constructed space.



POOL AREA PLANS

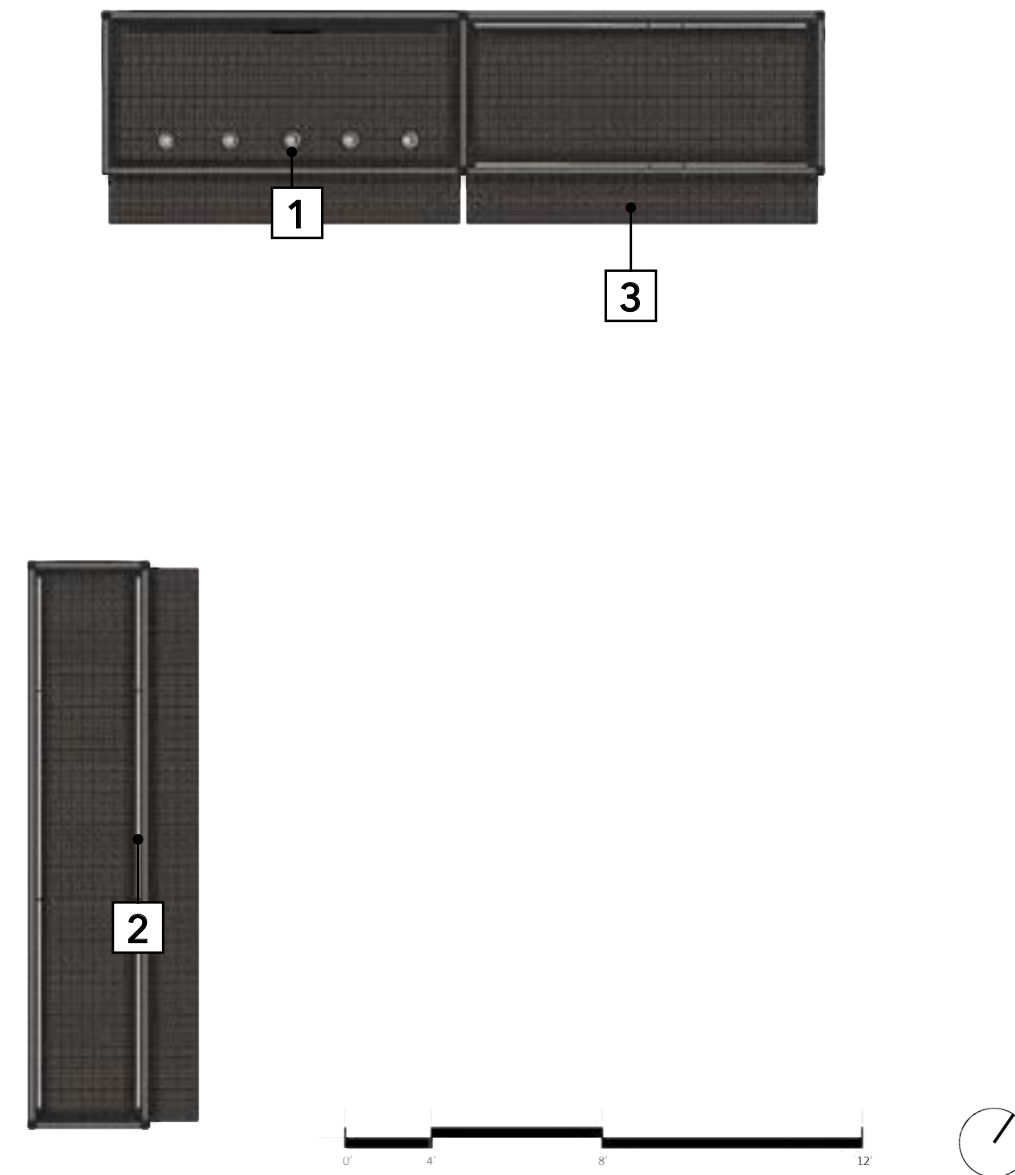
FLOOR PLAN



Legends:

- 1 Bar Area
- 2 Common Space
- 3 Accesible Hot Tub
- 4 Pool Area
- 5 Lounge Area

REFLECTED CEILING PLAN

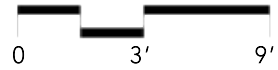
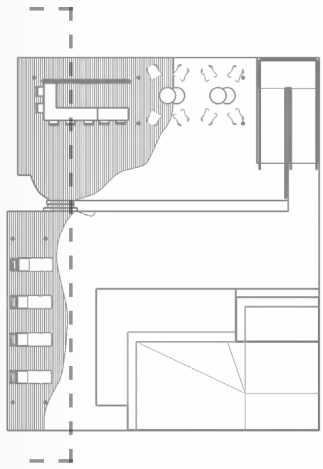


Legends:

- 1 Pendant Light
- 2 LED Tube Light
- 3 Weaved Metal

SECTION VIEW

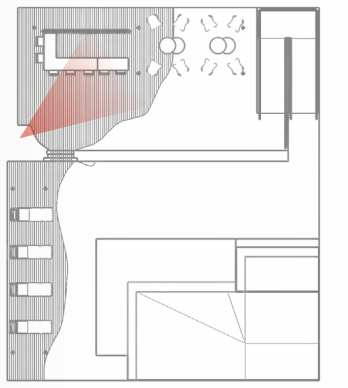
KEY MAP



BAR AREA



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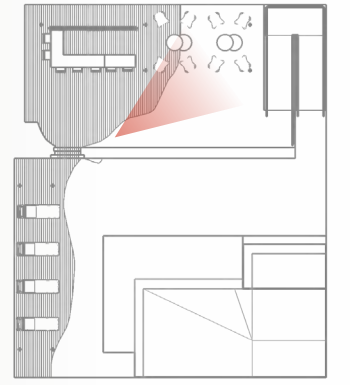


The bar design was expanded and walls were removed to create a cohesive integration with the surrounding nature. A custom bar and bar stools were designed to be minimal and to withstand the weathering of the elements.

LOUNGE AREA



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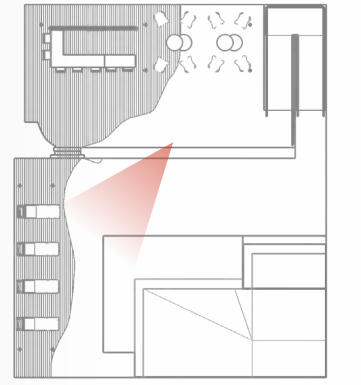


This space was expanded to allow more guests to utilize the space while maintaining a safe distance. The lounge area features custom leather butterfly chairs and a woven metal awning that provides ample shade from the sun.

POOL AREA










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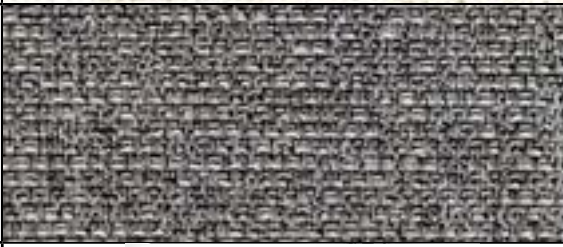







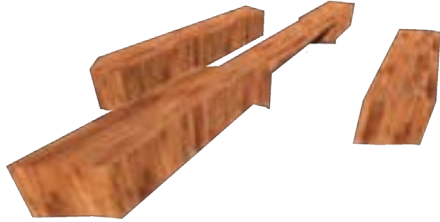





The pool view is located on the mountainside, allowing the infinity pool to be a unique feature that connects the space with nature. Adding to the connection with nature is the organic integration of treated pine wood under the lounge chairs to add warmth and comfort.

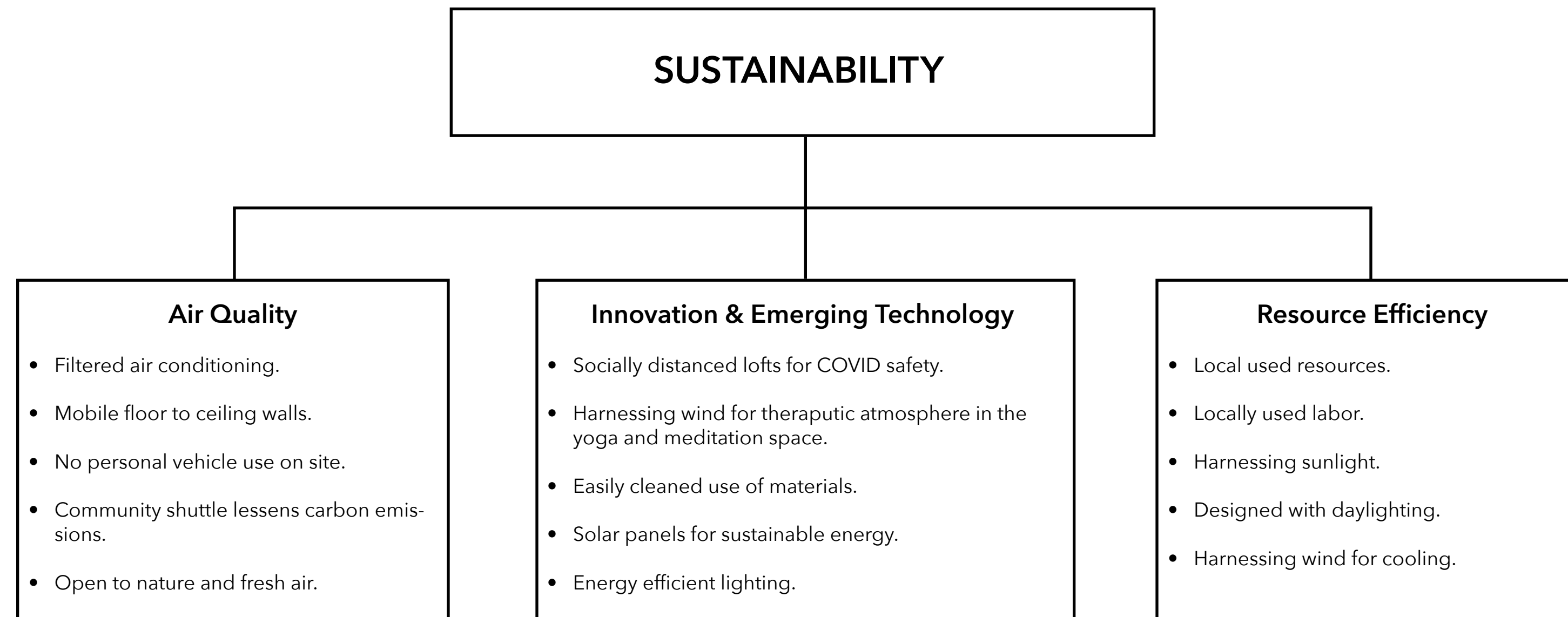


LIGHTING SCHEDULE

AREA	SPECIFICATION	SIZE	COLOR CODE	MANUFACTURER NAME	IMAGE
Main Building	906b lumens. 320K color temperature. 80-85 CRI. Dimmable with ELC dimmer.	10 1/4"	Chrome	Elan Grove	
Main Building Eco-Casa Pool Area	Dimmable with electronic low voltage dimmer, or LED rated dimmer.	20"	Satin Black + Brass	Hinkley Argo	
Main Building Eco-Casa Eco-Loft Pool Area	Built-in dimmable 3 watt high-powered LED module	See the Plan	White	WAC Lighting Straight Edge	
Eco-Casa Eco-Loft	Built-in dimmable 12 watt LED module. 700 lumen light output, comparable to a 60 watt incandescent. 3000k temperature. 80+CRI.	4"	Brushed Nickel	Eurofase Downlight	
Eco-Casa Eco-Loft	Light output is 840 lumens; comparable to a 60 watt incandescent bulb.	22 1/2"	Polished Metal	Sonneman Bauhaus Revisited Klammer	
Eco-Case Eco-Loft	13 watt built-in LED module has a light output comparable to a 75 watt incandescent bulb. 1150 lumens. 3000K. 80 CRI. LED is not dimmable.	8 1/2"	High Black	John Timberland Lighting Westley	
Shuttle Waiting Area Main Building Yoga Meditation Area Pool Area	Built-in dimmable 36 watt LED module: 3200 lumen light output, comparable to a 150 watt incandescent. 4000K color temperature. 90 CRI.	See the Plan	White	Maxim Wafer	

AREA	SPECIFICATION	COLOR CODE	MANUFACTURER NAME	IMAGE
Main Building	Upholstered 32.5"H x 17.5"W x 21"D	Solid Wood	Florida Seating RV Moon S Chair	
Pool Area	Upholstered 39"H x 29.75"W x 79"D	Synthetic wicker over aluminum frame	Florida Seating Apollo Beach Sunlounger	
Pool Area	Installed in Apollo Beach Sunlounger	White, Neutral and Brown	Posh Textiles Cheyenne Mist	
Main Building	Installed in RV Moon S Chair	Black + Gray	Posh Textiles Ember Slate	
Eco-Casa	15.9"W x 15.5" D x 27"H	Pine Wood Seat and Steel Frame	Custom Bar Stool	
Pool Area	31.5"W x 34.5"D x 31.5"H	Natural Brown Leather	Custom Leather Butterfly Chair	
Eco-Casa Eco-Loft	24.25"W x 16"D x 29.25"H	Treated Pine Wood and Steel	Custom Nightstand	
Eco-Casa Eco-Loft	84"Wx 82"D x 18"H	Treated Pine Wood	Custom Platform	

AREA	SPECIFICATION	COLOR CODE	MANUFACTURER NAME	IMAGE
Eco-Loft Eco-Casa	Chair 13.78"W x 15.75"D x 31.89"H Table 23.62"W x 37"H	Treated Pine Wood and Steel Frame	Custom Patio Set	
Main Building	Varies	Treated Pine Wood	Custom Bench Seating	
Main Building	30"W x 24"D x 48"H	Natural Stone	Custom Rock Banquette Seating	
Main Building	35.375"W x 21.625"D x 18"H	Natural Stone and Glass	Custom Rock Coffee Table	
Shuttle Waiting Area	48"W x 16.5"D x 17"H	Pine Wood Seat and Engineered Steel	Custom Outdoor Bench	
Pool Area	48"W x 36"D x 17"H	Concrete	Custom Coffe Table	
Pool Area	17"W x 15.5"D x 36.5"H	Treated Pine Wood and Steel	Custom Bar Stool	



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GUADALUPE

The new proposal for the Encuentro Guadalupe has maintained the sustainable design intent, while improving pre-existing structures with upgrades that are accessible to people of all abilities. These improvements were inspired by the local landscape of Baja California and feature the Rama Zorrillo, the mountainsides of Valle de Guadalupe, and the local custom of basket weaving. Drawing these inspirations from the landscape provided ample opportunities to expand on this project by creating a cohesive and dynamic design that nature could be proud of.



THANK YOU.

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