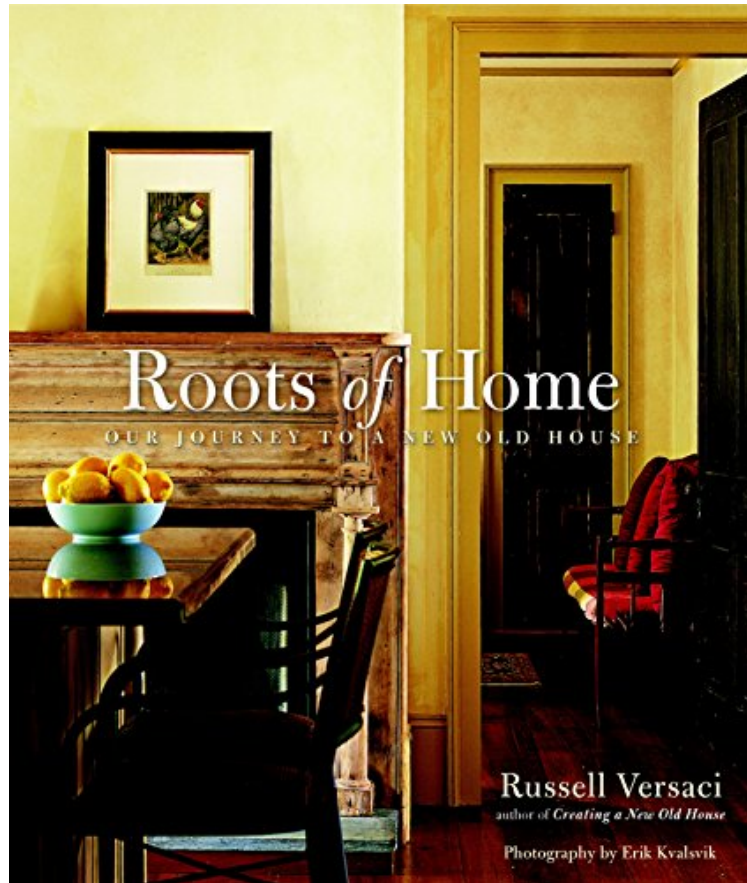


(Ebook pdf) Roots of Home: Our Journey to a New Old House

Roots of Home: Our Journey to a New Old House

Russell Versaci

*DOC | *audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF | ePub*



DOWNLOAD



+

READ ONLINE

#867021 in Books Taunton Press 2008-10-14Ingredients: Example IngredientsOriginal language:EnglishPDF # 1 11.12 x .93 x 9.50l, 3.29 #File Name: 1561588679265 pages | File size: 62.Mb

Russell Versaci : Roots of Home: Our Journey to a New Old House before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Roots of Home: Our Journey to a New Old House:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy ann tillmanbeautiful publication1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. wonderful photosBy Ronnie Mossgreat photos and great descriptions make a very interesting book. For good designs and decoration this is the book. Many ideas can be found in the book.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great and beautiful reference!By C2finleyWonderful read and really educational. We are building a house next year on a large piece of land in the Md countryside so this is an incredible source of inspiration. Love the way the book is divided into geographical region and the historic renovations profiled are really interesting.

Both an architectural feast and field guide for creating new old houses, "Roots of Home "traces the development of today's traditional homes from the earliest colonial styles in a visually stunning journey. Russell Versaci takes you back to the beginning, when our ancestors built homes that reflected their Old World pasts tempered with the New

World realities. As they settled new territories, they carried the homes of their forefathers with them like a touchstone. They sowed farms and towns with houses similar to the ones they left behind, but suited to the new climates and materials surrounding them. Each old-house style showcased, though always decidedly American--New England Colonial, Pennsylvania Dutch, French Creole, Spanish Mission--represents the cumulative history of generations adapting to new places. With Russell Versaci as your guide, you will see how yesterday's houses evolved into the classic homes we love today and you will learn how to create a new old house that evokes ageless character.

"Adobe haciendas, Low Country cottages, sturdy Pennsylvania Dutch farmhouses, white-columned neoclassical mansions - these and many other building types contribute to the rich architectural diversity that makes America's streets and roads such a feast for the unhurried eye. In this insightfully written and lavishly illustrated book, Russell Versaci and Erik Kvalsvik offer a guide to the characteristic features of the historic styles that left their mark on our nation's domestic architecture - and in the process, they suggest ways to preserve and adapt these features in the creation of contemporary homes of real distinction." -- Richard Moe, President, National Trust for Historic Preservation "ROOTS OF HOME teaches us about the history of the houses that shelter our souls. Russell Versaci's insatiable love of old houses shines throughout his brilliant book." -- Alexandra Stoddard, author of THE DECORATION OF HOUSES and LIVING A BEAUTIFUL LIFE "This book reminds us that good architecture is a blend of craft and artistry - and that practicing one's craft in a given manner, in a contiguous area, over time, is the surest route to mastery. Versaci narrates an engaging journey of architectural discovery which melds the educational value of the Historic American Buildings Survey with the appealing delivery of This Old House. His analysis is in service to the public, his fellow architects, and future patrons. Versaci is at his best when highlighting and explaining discreet building elements or architectural forms from the past. These `telling details' not only inform the veracity of the book, but the authenticity of the new homes he advocates." -- Chase W. Rynd, President and Executive Director, National Building Museum "This is an important book. When the great challenge in modern life is the creation of the sense of identity of place, Roots of Home opens a door to the architectural history that has made different parts of the United States unique. An antidote to the spread of bland, anonymous places, this will allow the reader to anchor a place into its cultural background, illustrating not only the origins of the local architecture but how it has developed to suit its unique climatic and functional condition. The book is history but much more than history. It's notable for not only revealing the origins of the particularity of each place but in giving examples of how to carry that character into the modern world. Everyone who cares about the identity of place should have a copy." -- Robert Adam, Principal, Robert Adam Architects; Founder, International Network for Traditional Building, Architecture Urbanism (INTBAU) "Russell Versaci's new book, ROOTS OF HOME, makes you want to grab your GPS, fill your gas tank, and take a long leisurely road trip to discover our amazing architectural heritage. ROOTS OF HOME is a must read if you are thinking about building a new house or restoring an old one. In the French, English, or Spanish styles, cottage, plantation, or cabin, you will find thought provoking inspiration to help you make the right decisions." "This book reminds us that good architecture is a blend of craft and artistry - and that practicing one's craft in a given manner, in a contiguous area, over time, is the surest route to mastery. Versaci narrates an engaging journey of architectural discovery which melds the educational value of the Historic American Buildings Survey with the appealing delivery of This Old House. His analysis is in service to the public, his fellow architects, and future patrons. Versaci is at his best when highlighting and explaining discreet building elements or architectural forms from the past. These `telling details' not only inform the veracity of the book, but the authenticity of the new homes he advocates." "Russell Versaci's new book, ROOTS OF HOME, makes you want to grab your GPS, fill your gas tank, and take a long leisurely road trip to discover our amazing architectural heritage. ROOTS OF HOME is a must read if you are thinking about building a new house or restoring an old one. In the French, English, or Spanish styles, cottage, plantation, or cabin, you will find thought provoking inspiration to help you make the right decisions." "This book reminds us that good architecture is a blend of craft and artistry - and that practicing one's craft in a given manner, in a contiguous area, over time, is the surest route to mastery. Versaci narrates an engaging journey of architectural discovery which melds the educational value of the Historic American Buildings Survey with the appealing delivery of This Old House. His analysis is in service to the public, his fellow architects, and future patrons. Versaci is at his best when highlighting and explaining discreet building elements or architectural forms from the past. These `telling details' not only inform the veracity of the book, but the authenticity of the new homes he advocates." "ROOTS OF HOME teaches us about the history of the houses that shelter our souls. Russell Versaci's insatiable love of old houses shines throughout his brilliant book."