

[HOUSE REVIEW]

MONTE VISTA HOUSE

ARCHITECT

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PLAN SIZE

Width: 36 feet, 6 inches
 Depth: 44 feet
 Living area: 2,700 sf

This home is designed for an infill lot in an established downtown neighborhood. The goal is to maximize allowable square footage and take advantage of a southern exposure for solar access. As basements aren't counted in city zoning, it was decided to incorporate one in the design.



- A** Great room spans the rear of the house, with windows on three sides and a clerestory above
- B** From the game room's center, a bridge spans the basement light well, linking the house to the rear yard
- C** Mechanical room is tucked into the windowless corner of the basement, with a chase venting to the roof
- D** Volume ceiling over great room is topped by solar panels. North side has clerestory windows above the adjacent roof
- E** Master suite is two steps up from the rest of the second level, allowing for higher ceilings in the kitchen and dining areas
- F** Study or play area is adjacent to upper-level secondary bedrooms
- G** Secondary bedrooms are on the upper and lower levels, with a bath for bedroom 4 serving the game room
- H** Large laundry room has outside access, with a wall of pantry cabinets for kitchen and linen storage

