

GRAND DESIGNS TV HOUSES



01
£8.99
9 772398 857009

40 RENOVATIONS & CONVERSIONS FROM THE HIT TV SERIES

From the publisher of
Grand Designs magazine



Planning your renovation

Architecture practice Hudson Architects is renowned for its innovative designs throughout the UK, such as the Artist's Barn in Essex that appeared on *Grand Designs*. Director Anthony Hudson tells us more



What is the Hudson Architects ethos?

'Every project is different, but whatever it is, we try to create imaginative and sensitive homes that balance our clients' needs with value for money.'

What do you specialise in?

'We're good at designing low-energy and low-maintenance houses, so we like using new technology and techniques to produce homes that are sustainable and efficient to run.'

How do you go about starting to plan a project?

'The site is usually the first consideration, as it influences everything about a design, from its outlook and orientation to the materials we use. We try to let the surroundings lead us to a distinctive design that fits well into its context.'

Have you had any recent highlights?

'We had a great time at Grand Designs Live in London, showing people our work and talking about their projects. We're developing quite a few now and they'll start taking shape soon. It was lovely to win a RIBA award for a new family house that we built on Jersey – it was also shortlisted for the RIBA House of the Year. Getting recognition like that is amazing and makes it feel worthwhile. Kevin McCloud came to see the project and was very impressed.'

Can you tell us about any future plans?

'We have a variety of projects on the drawing board. I'm particularly excited about a large country house in Somerset, which will be one of the most energy-efficient buildings we've ever designed. We're working on some education, leisure and civic projects, which are helpful as they often inform our residential work. I enjoy supporting the wider arts and design community – we've just opened a new art gallery and that was a lot of fun to work on. I'm designing a house for myself, too, but that's a long-term project as our clients always come first.'

To find out more and to discuss your project ideas, contact Hudson Architects (01603 766 220; hudsonarchitects.co.uk)



↑ Hudson Architects' new-build project on Jersey won a RIBA award in 2016

← This radical restoration and conversion project in Essex appeared on the eleventh series of *Grand Designs*. See page 52 for the full story.

↓ Featuring a dramatic overhang, this contemporary family home replaced a drab bungalow



HUDSONArchitects