



A Cape Cod sanctuary brought to life.

Nestled in the woods, where land yields softly to marsh and sky, a newly built home settles quietly into its surroundings. Designed by SV Design and built by Cape Associates Inc., the retreat fulfills a long-held vision for its owners, research scientists and longtime summer visitors who spent years studying the area's architecture and imagining a place of their own.

"They had a vision from the very beginning," recalls SV Design Senior Project Manager Katelyn Manfredo. From raw land through completion, that clarity shaped an efficient, highly collaborative process. Cape Associates Inc. also joined early, helping guide both construction and cost. "Anytime we get involved at the early stages, the process is more efficient," says President and CEO Matt Cole.

The clients' detailed vision, paired with decisive, timely choices, streamlined the build. Just as critical was early coordination with landscape architects at Mulcahy Design Group and Executive Landscaping, ensuring the home and site would evolve as one.

Manifesting a Dream

Architect SV Design / Builder Cape Associates, Inc. | Landscape Architect Mulcahy Design Group | Landscape Contractor Executive Landscaping | Kitchen Design White Wood Kitchens | Tile Bellew Tile & Marble | Appliances KAM Appliances | Photographer Dan Cutrona | Writer Maddie Brisbane





Clad in classic cedar shingles, the exterior is subtly redefined by deep gunmetal blue trim. “It created a moody, modern aesthetic,” says Manfredo, noting how the darker palette allows the home to recede into its conservation surroundings. Architectural details add further dimension: vertical board accents break the shingle façade, while a custom curved bracket at the porch introduces a singular moment of playfulness.

Inside, the homeowner led the interiors, creating a cohesive yet personalized feel. A dual-sided stone fireplace anchors both the living room and sunroom, an elegant solution that reinforces connection. The custom kitchen by White Wood Kitchens centers on an all-inclusive space designed to cater to both quiet family moments and lively entertaining.

Flush, integrated appliances blend effortlessly into the cabinetry, maintaining a clean, uninterrupted visual. A custom wood hood introduces texture and warmth, serving as a natural focal point that anchors the space. “It is always so rewarding to see a client’s dream space thoughtfully executed and brought to life,” says the White Wood Kitchens team.

Connection extends beyond the interior. A pass-through window links the kitchen to a screened porch bar, while a

walkout lower level and private upper deck create seamless indoor–outdoor living across three levels. Wellness features, including a sauna suite, were integral from the start, as was an emphasis on natural light through generous glazing.

Site constraints, including a steep slope and conservation limits, shaped the design. Rather than resist them, the team worked with the land, siting a long, linear form along its flattest portion, maximizing views while minimizing impact.

The landscape reinforces that balance. “You didn’t want it to feel out of place—but it still needed refinement,” notes Executive Landscaping Project Manager Kyle Holt-Cullity. Native plantings and mature-scale installations lend an immediate sense of permanence, while careful preservation of existing habitat maintains the site’s natural character.

For SV Design, the most meaningful moment came not at construction completion, but later, when the homeowners settled in and invited Manfredo for a visit. “It’s deeply rewarding to watch them live in and enjoy the space that the team meticulously designed together,” says Manfredo. “It’s a quiet emotional moment of happiness and contentment for your clients, knowing you were the facilitator for making their longtime vision a reality.” 🏡

