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The simple framing of the front door, cloaked in the shadows of a nearby scrub pine, beckons visitors to enter.

THE HABITAT ISSUE

Honorable Mention New Home Construction

(less than 3500 square feet)

House on Indian Neck, Wellfleet

Hammer Architects • Cambridge, Massachusetts

On a wooded hill overlooking a tidal marsh, this modern cedar tongue-and-groove sided house is built into the hillside. "This simple, but lovely house does very well presenting a very private side to the street, but once you

get inside, it opens up to full-height windows," said one judge. The upper floor, which is level with the grade of the land on the entry side, contains the living spaces. A lower level has three walk-out bedrooms, each with their own private deck. While the spaces and setup impressed the judges, one small detail particularly caught their eye. A linear metal canopy attached to a wall physically separated from the main volume of the house defines the entrance. "The entry's made important with minimal means," said one judge. "The line and context are all that is needed to make it a special place."



The private side of the building is awash with red cedar (above), while the backside opens up to the environment, making the living areas (top and left) seem like they are open to the elements.