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Slopeside Retreat



Cathedral ceilings and custom textured walls along with rich tile and stonework exude luxurious mountainside living.



A Colorado developer gives additive form architecture, used in the old days of mining, a new twist in a collection of luxury Copper Mountain homesites.



Close your eyes for just a moment to relax. Picture the most peaceful mountain sanctuary. It's well-appointed with the highest quality furnishings and building materials. Towering windows look out over freshly groomed corduroy and white frosted evergreens. The home is comfortable and spacious for entertaining, but right now it's quiet and the lights are low as you settle in for a welcomed soak in the hot tub followed by a soothing drink to wind down the day. Close your eyes and imagine yourself living the high life in Copper Mountain—close enough to enjoy all year long and where the nightlife is as good as the skiing.

A new enclave of ski-in/ski-out luxury retreats welcomes you to join the exclusive society of vacation homeowners in the SlopeSide at Copper community brought to you by David and Tracy Nassar. After leaving a career on Wall Street, David envisioned a unique take on the typical mountain home borrowing his inspiration from surrounding mining towns.

An abandoned mine site is an eye sore to many mountain town lovers, but to David it's inspiration for a new look in mountain retreats. "As the mines grew, they kept adding on new sections creating this beautiful blend of materials designed to age and weather," he says. David uses a composition of materials including stone and corrugated metal

Master bathrooms in the homes at SlopeSide feature luxury materials such as hand-forged copper sinks, Ceasar Stone quartz countertops and whirlpool tubs.



to create homes that seem to organically sprout from the steep rise in the gated Lewis Ranch community along the Roundabout Ski Trail at Copper Mountain resort.

As impressive as the outsides of the homes are, it's the indoor finishes that fashion opulence only available in a mountain refuge. "I'm a 'when in doubt, build it stout' sort of guy," David says. And he delivers with exposed steel framework, oversized natural stone slabs and magnificent wood beams. "I think of it as additive form architecture borrowed from the gold rush mining era, meets Chicago loft, meets mountain," he says.

Each home is custom finished for full or fractional ownership and features award-winning interior design by Tracy Nassar. The homes range from 5,000 to 7,000 square feet, and all have ski-in/ski-out access with a ski room including lockers and a kitchenette perfect for taking a break from a long day on the slopes. Breathtaking panoramic views—many including a view of the Sky Chutes—grace each home. Cathedral ceilings rise above custom textured and painted walls with Old World charm.

When not out shopping or enjoying the Copper Mountain nightlife, homeowners can relax in their own billiard room with bar, or take in a show in a home theater outfitted with posh reclining seating and adorned with a hand-painted themed mural.

Entertaining friends and family is effortless in the gourmet kitchen including commercial-grade appliances and an oversized bar with plenty of room for gathering. Custom cabinetry in various colors mix to establish a warm palette that blends with the rich tile and stonework throughout the kitchen and dining areas.

When it's time to retire for the evening, a lavish master suite awaits. Curl up by the fireplace with a drink from the wet bar to reflect on your bustling day, or wash away tense muscles from a long day on the slopes in a soothing steam shower. Some homes feature junior suites, similar in styling to the master suites. Each home has Tracy Nassar's signature bunkroom to accommodate the whole family with stacked beds complete with flat panel televisions and reading lights for each guest.

When you're ready to purchase a slice of Rocky Mountain heaven, look for a home with the highest quality finishes and premium amenities. George and Connie Rosel couldn't be happier with their SlopeSide residence. "My favorite thing in our home is the massive beams on the dining room ceiling," George says. "And the quality of the construction is unmatched." The couple has stopped spending their days imagining living the mountain vacation lifestyle. They now have made their dreams a reality at this slopeside retreat at Copper Mountain. **D**

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THE DETAILS

Builder - David Nassar | Designer - Tracy Nassar | Appliances - Specialty Appliance specialtyapplianceinc.com
Kitchen - Aspen Leaf Kitchens alkl.com | Windows - Sierra Pacific sierrapacificwindows.com | Marble & Granite -
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