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# BIG VIEWS IN BIG SKY AT YELLOWSTONE CLUB

This luxurious mountain retreat offers sophisticated, yet comfortable interiors

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Nestled in the mountains near Big Sky, Montana this home strikes the perfect balance between Western elegance and modern sensibilities. William Peace of Peace Design created this vacation home for a busy family that gathers frequently at the Yellowstone Club for both winter and summer holidays. “With the wide range of outdoor activities, the clients wanted a home where comfort is paramount, yet it’s a beautiful place to entertain when extended family and friends join them,” says Peace.

Breathtaking views of the expansive mountain range command the great room where strong architectural elements anchor the space. The stacked stone fireplace and beams add rustic elements to an interior that has an overall feeling of elegance. “The owners are sophisticated international travelers, so it was important for us to create an atmosphere that reflects their attention to quality throughout,” says Peace. In blending a combination of modern upholstery with European antiques, Peace achieved a space that yields both substance and style, and it melds the American West with Europe for a distinctly refined note.

Indigenous materials including repurposed woods, stone, and iron provide a tactile and earthy tone to the home while luxurious fabrics including mohair, velvet, linen, and silk add warmth and comfort. Softly patinated woods meld with rich wool carpets so that rooms feel sumptuous, but not fussy.

“The constant elements throughout this house are the visual references to the geography beyond,” says Peace. To that end, the color palette is reminiscent of the landscape, and incorporates

blues, slate greys, browns, and a wide range of neutrals. Peace Design created a significant number of custom pieces throughout the house, including upholstery, fine wood pieces, lighting, and draperies. The simple lines of the custom drapery panels elevate the eye and provide privacy when closed, but the natural fabrics do not interfere or detract from the views when left open. Custom lighting in various rooms provides further individual touches.

Peace is renowned for curating one-of-a-kind collections for his clients, and this Yellowstone Club home contains many singular pieces. Contemporary paintings are featured throughout the house, and they provide both colour and the context of the American West. The commissioned painting *Wolf* in the Great Room by Theresa Stirling was the inspiration for the name of the house: *Call of the Wild* by Jack London.

Because this home was a renovation, it required extensive services to restore existing woods to their original beauty. The entire palette was transformed through paint, stripping, staining, and glazing throughout the house. Wallcoverings were installed in the powder room and library in order to create, opulent, if smaller, spaces.

Abundant living and dining spaces combined with a large number of bedrooms ensures that there’s always plenty of space for friends and family to gather at this slope side getaway. “Our assignment was to make this feel like a permanent home with both luxurious and practical spaces; to that end, we’ve given our clients a mountain retreat that they can call home – whether for a week or a year,” says Peace.





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Indigenous materials and luxurious fabrics create a tactile room that feels sumptuous and is warm and comfortable.



The colour palette in the master bedroom is reminiscent of the landscape and incorporates earthy and neutral tones.

## About William Peace

William Peace is founder and principal of Peace Design. A visionary with a love of architecture, respect for form and function, and fascination with light, he's committed to working collaboratively with clients, closely with his design team, and alongside with architects and builders to achieve the distinct and diverse environments for which the firm is known. Peace is the recipient of numerous national and regional awards, including the prestigious National ASID project award for residential interiors, and he is a multiple recipient of the Atlanta Decorative Arts Center's Southeast Designer of the Year.

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