

Form Follows Function



The Taylor Home

MILTON, NY

SET ON A MAGNIFICENT SITE WITH DRAMATIC VIEWS OF THE HUDSON RIVER, THIS INCREDIBLE HOME BEGAN WITH A GRAND ARCHITECTURAL PLAN BASED ON AN EXISTING HOME IN THE HAMPTONS.

Traffic flow played a key part in modifications to meet the lifestyle and usability needs of a growing family. Several door openings were relocated to accommodate entertaining and active children and a back porch and eating area were carefully placed to take full advantage of the river views.

Situated adjacent to a spacious family room with high, vaulted ceilings, it was essential that the large, open plan kitchen complement the space in scope and detail. An oversized, 2-tiered island and serving counter, finished in teak created balance and a copper stove hood anchored the center of the kitchen.

Upstairs, the master bath created a luxurious environment for rest and relaxation. Unique choices in tile and finishes ensured that each of the four bathrooms maintained identities as individual as the family members that used them.

The end result was nothing short of magnificent in this amazing one-of-a-kind home. ■■





Joe's Viewpoint

BECAUSE THE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS WERE SO IMPRESSIVE AND THE HOUSE WAS SITUATED ON A MAGNIFICENT SITE, IT WAS OBVIOUS

EVERYTHING ABOUT THIS HOME HAD TO BE JUST AS INCREDIBLE IN DESIGN AND SCOPE.

Vaulted ceilings, overhead lighting, a grand staircase – the house's scale and detail were just incredible and I knew that whatever we did had to build on that.

The Taylors afforded us the opportunity to do our best. They accepted our recommendations and considered every option brought to them thoughtfully and with enthusiasm.

In most large kitchens, you have to direct people through the space without interference of its main function; the preparation of food. Especially with young, active children. By relocating doorways to best accommodate traffic flow, strategically placing an arched interior window and centering everything else around the copper hood, we were able to balance form and function and create something equal to the task.

From floor plan designs through tile and finish recommendations, this home was a joy to plan and build. ■■



"When we built our new home, we set out to create an environment that our family could live and grow in for generations to come."

The Taylor Family

Joe Matta's reputation as a forward thinker who could envision needs further down the stream and design for both the present and the future was the overriding factor in choosing Masterwork.

Joe pressured us to think—about our needs and about our lifestyle—then brought us exceptional options to fulfill those requirements. From redesigning architectural plans, to choosing materials and finishes that would stand the test of time, he delivered stunning designs that did much more than just look good. They worked.

When it came to execution, we couldn't have asked for better. Masterwork's Project Manager, Frank, was absolutely great and not once did we have to worry about quality or scheduling. Every detail was well coordinated on and off site and every sub-contractor was an absolute pro. The entire experience was truly enjoyable—and that's a rare thing when you're building a new home.

Our home is both more beautiful and more functional than it would have otherwise been thanks to Masterwork Home's involvement and there's no doubt in our minds that the value they brought far exceeded the price tag. ■■

