

Chez Agathe

Located in the Mediterranean region, this house is bordered by a wooded area that influenced the project design, particularly in terms of views and privacy. Subjected to the intense heat of the south, it was designed to offer natural ventilation to avoid air conditioning. The architecture incorporates solutions to limit the entry of summer heat while allowing good natural light. The thick facade and L-shaped design provide more than pleasant shading during extreme heat. The construction, made of wood and masonry, ensures the durability of the building, relating to the site and contributing to the desired atmosphere. Local materials like cladding and natural stone for the flooring have been chosen.

Particular attention has been paid to the details: the wooden cladding integrates with the masonry volumes without any visible joints. The window frames are also invisible, enhancing the indoor-outdoor relationship. Through its simple morphology, the volumes offer an effective solution to the site's challenges, particularly environmental ones. The sloping terrain is managed by an annex volume with a ramp that connects to the street entrance level of the ground floor. The house comprises two volumes: the main one houses a large living room, a bedroom, a bathroom, and a laundry room, while the secondary one offers a workspace. Upstairs, a master suite opens onto the terrace.

LOCATION Castelnau-le-Lez, 34170 [Hérault]

CLIENT Private

SURFACE 191m²

PROGRAM Single-family house

COST 623 774 € excl. taxes

PHASE Delivered in 2023

MISSION Stages 0 to 6, from strategic definition to handover and close out

TEAM Calder-Ingénierie (Structure), DEXO (Thermique)

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