

# EXCLUSIVE LIVING IN THE MOUNTAINS

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## FOREWORD

This 2023 follow-up volume of best-selling *MODERN RETREATS* (2020), *MODERN MOUNTAIN HIDEAWAYS* (2018), *NEW CHALET LIVING* (2012) and *CONTEMPORARY LIVING IN THE MOUNTAINS* (2010) brings to light the style of living in the mountains.

Set against hillside views, snowcapped peaks and picturesque valleys, this book invites you on an extraordinary journey into the exclusive world of seventeen of the most authentic and charming private mountain chalets and apartments in Switzerland, France, Austria, Italy and Lapland. These are all genuine, honest places.

On the outside they often seem as though they have remained unchanged for centuries, but once indoors the rustic charm has made way for a resolutely contemporary interior design, austere and restrained or timeless and modern.

Their interiors offer a welcoming and cozy space to relax or socialize after winter sports or alpine strolls.

Respect for authenticity and traditional craftsmanship go hand in hand with ultimate living comfort and an often surprising contemporary or timeless design. Living rooms warmed by crackling fires, bedrooms under the eaves, beds piled high with down comforters, kitchens with rough-hewn wood beams.

*EXCLUSIVE LIVING IN THE MOUNTAINS* offers an in-depth portrait of breathtaking architectural alpine chalets.

Whether the style is rustic and traditional or more sleek and modern, all these chalets, frequently used as a holiday getaway, share an awareness of texture, scale and light that creates a unifying sense of ease. Packed with all new stunning photos and enriched with the portraits of all owners, architects and/or designers, this new coffee table book brings the charm and timeless comfort of each “mountain chalet” to life.

A genuine haven to anyone interested in unique alpine interiors.

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*Architect Fabio Fantolino*

## A REFUGE IN THE CENTER OF COURMAYEUR

While interpreting his clients' needs by bringing his style and design down to the smallest detail, the architect Fabio Fantolino makes a wonderful property in the center of Courmayeur new and alive, cozy and stylish.

This is the story of the transformation of a holiday home located on the top floor of an independent building in the center of Courmayeur, settled in a large estate consisting of several single-family property units. A transformation made possible by the architect Fabio Fantolino and his team. Turin-based, he founded his architecture firm in 2001, a renowned studio that works in a vast range of projects, from architecture to interior design, mixing timeless elegance and style with an international, global approach.

The property owners, a family of four, are the proprietors of the estate which opens in July as a summer residence. This vacation home, with its own independent access, is so intended for part of the family during the summer.

It all started with a brief that left room for the architect's interpretation: the desire was to have a typical mountain home without involving with a rustic flavor, in which the presence of natural materials such as stone and wood don't give an excessively traditional image, leaving to us the most contemporary interpretation through material contrasts and lines and volumes.

Fantolino's intervention involved a total makeover: the works began in 2020 and have been concluded at the end of 2021. In addition to the overall interior project that affected the entire apartment, the roof was raised in order to have the opportunity to take advantage of greater height and livability of the spaces. Thanks to the collaboration with the Inart studio, which oversaw the volumetric expansion and the raising of the roof, the space has obtained a particularly interesting height. The property is completely bound by the Superintendence, therefore the roof has been dismantled and reassembled to a greater height. Doors, floors and floor plans have all been the subject of a renovation project.

Fantolino chose a contemporary style, in the shapes, in the furnishings, in the cuts, while using natural materials that evoke a mountain atmosphere. The result is an extremely comfortable and balanced environment, that in this project left a distinctive, stylish mark. Most of the furnishings are bespoke, on his design, guaranteeing uniqueness to the entire project.

Clean lines and superior materials concur to the final result: a stylish home, functional, distinctive yet cozy.

Today this amazing house is lived as a summer residence, as a refuge from the chaos of the city, an alcove of silence and hospitality to be able to detach from the everyday life.

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*Photography: Davide Lovatti / Living Inside / Text: Sara Dal Zotto.*



*View of the property, a holiday home located on the top floor of an independent building in the center of Courmayeur and the beautiful surroundings.*



*Left page: A sofa by DePadova, model Blendy.  
Above: two Cassina armchairs (Capitol Complex) upholstered with leather. Table, table lamp and floor lamp by Menu. Side table by Cassina.  
Applique by DePadova (model Nota). The photograph on the left is by Davide Lovatti. A rug by Tisca. Vases by Biancodichina and by Simona Cardinetti.*







*Left page: Bespoke furniture, bench (upholstered with Kvadrat model Colline) and table by Fabio Fantolino, realized by Enriart Carpentry. Pendants by Marset (model Ginger).  
Above: the kitchen has also been tailor-made by architect Fantolino and executed by Enriart. Bespoke boiserie based on a design by Fabio Fantolino made by Enriart as well. Applique Rich Brilliant Willing (model Branch Small).*



*A Tacchini armchair (model Lina) and a Cassina side table. Door handle by Olivari (model Conca).*





*Bespoke bathroom furniture designed by Fabio Fantolino (production: Enriart Carpentry). Taps by Agape, pouf My Home Collection (model Bule) and Pelassa curtains. Covering in striped ash stone by Venturino Superfici.*

*Beds and night tables are custom designed by Fabio Fantolino. Sheets and blankets by Society Limonta. A Pedrali chair (model Osaka metal), a Tooy table lamp and an Aromas Del Campo floor lamp.*

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