



Artistry

Sunrise Farm Raising

Located in Howard, Ohio, family-owned OakBridge Timber Framing uses traditional joinery for pre-cut frames that are assembled on site in only a few days. In keeping with Amish tradition, the company raises craftsmanship to a fine art: mortise-and-tenon joints are pinned with hickory dowels, and the same crew that crafts the timber also installs it. For more information, call (740) 599-5711 or visit oakbridgetimberframing.com.

Pure & Simple

Rethink, Reuse, Reward

Taking stock of everyday items and habits can help you prioritize.

How to save more money—or use less of it—is on many people's minds. So is the desire to protect the earth's resources by being more eco-conscious and less wasteful. Sometimes the two goals cause conflict, like when your heart wants to buy recycled paper products but the higher cost seems prohibitive. One way to bridge this gap is to rethink how you are doing things and come up with new solutions.

"If all paper towels were made with 100% recycled material, approximately 1 million tons of used paper would be kept out of our waste stream."—*Choose Green Report*, greenseal.org.

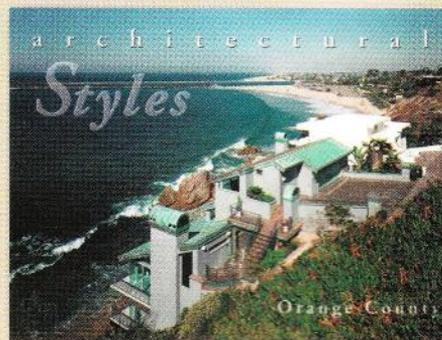
A good old-fashioned dish rag can clean up many a mess before it has to be laundered. Make sure to wash out in hot soapy water after cleaning up from raw meat or poultry; rinse with cold water, ring out well and let dry to keep fresh between uses. Keep a stack on hand to use as you would paper towels. If you still want paper towels for those must-toss messes, opt for products containing at least 40% post-consumer waste that are unbleached or chlorine-free.



Preservation Postcards

Photographic Memories

C&B contributor and architectural historian Richard H. Dodd, AIA, has written a book called *Architectural Styles Orange County*, which explores the story of homes that set standards



for important architectural styles. The hard-back, deluxe edition contains 276 pages with more than 430 color photographs. Some whimsical and remarkable creations, such as the organic and other-worldly Mushroom House in Corona de Mar and the fairy tale Witches' House in Laguna Beach, are featured. "I wanted to document and preserve this important story before these homes are gone or their history and part of our heritage is forgotten," Dodd says. For more information, see page 11 or visit richardhdodd.com.



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