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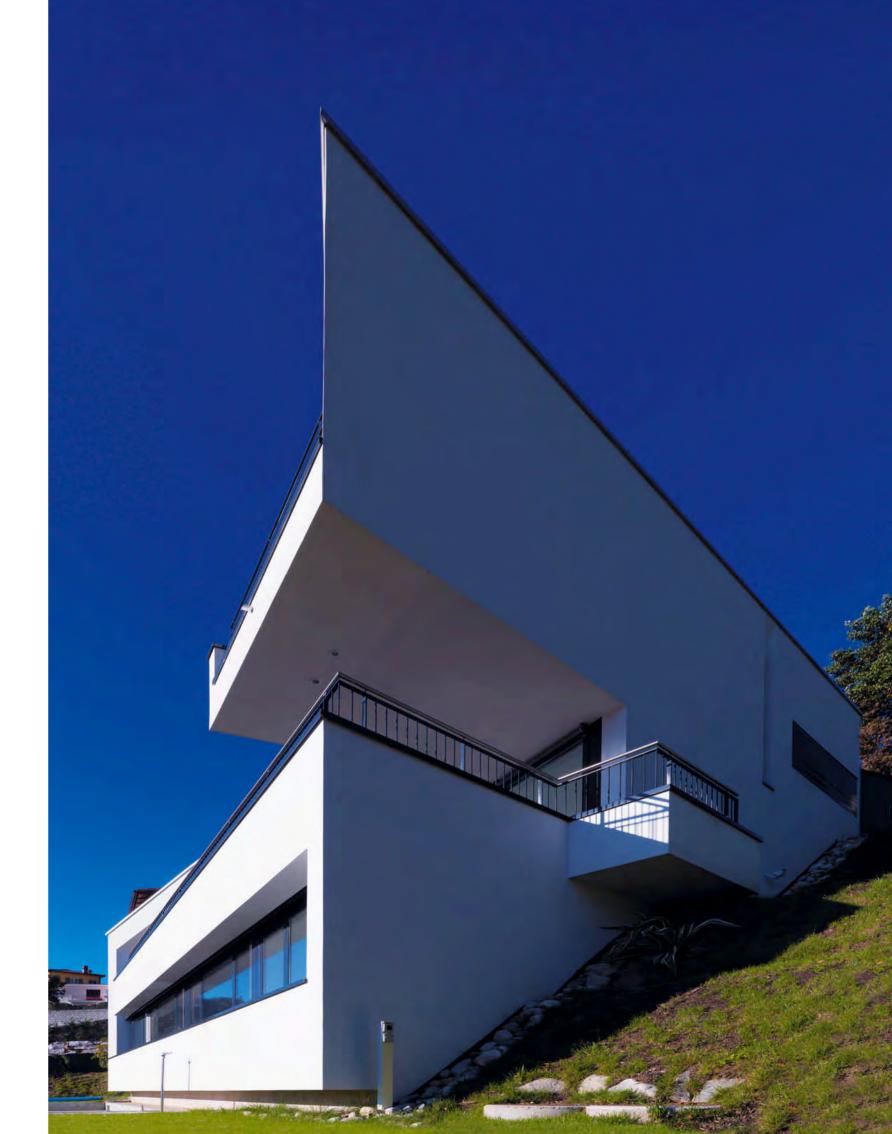
Nestled on the Alpine slopes north of Lugano, this house is characterised by a volumetric architecture that emerges from the terrain and follows the natural contour of the land. Its constructed volumes embrace the land in an organic and fluent sequence of spaces, each relating to each other and to the surrounding landscape. Carved in a clear square geometry, the spaces meet the slope and extend in a spiral, fluent movement that continuously changes the perception of the space and its relationship to the exterior, offering striking panoramic views across the hinterland and to Lake Lugano.

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Site area 1,030m
Building area 700m²
Building scope 3F
Structure RC
Completion 2009
Design collaborator Michele Alberio
Interior design Davide Macullo e Marco Strozzi
Works supervision Direzione di Lavori SA, Lugano, Switzerland
Structural engineer Ideal Ingegno, Switzerland, Ing. Luigi Pellegrinelli
Building engineer Franco Semini, Switzerland
Photos offer Davide Macullo Architects
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Location Lugano, Ticino, Switzerland

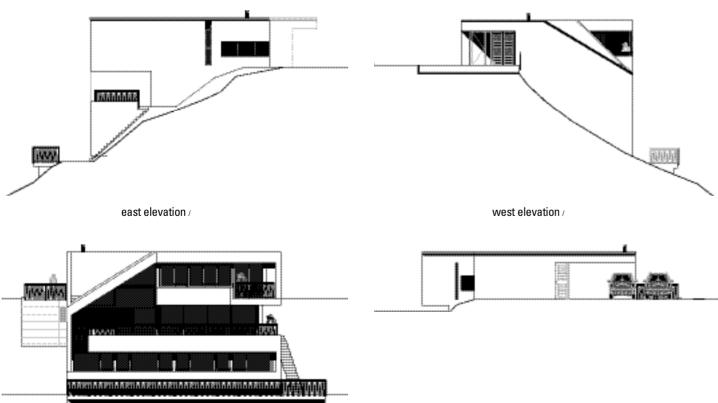
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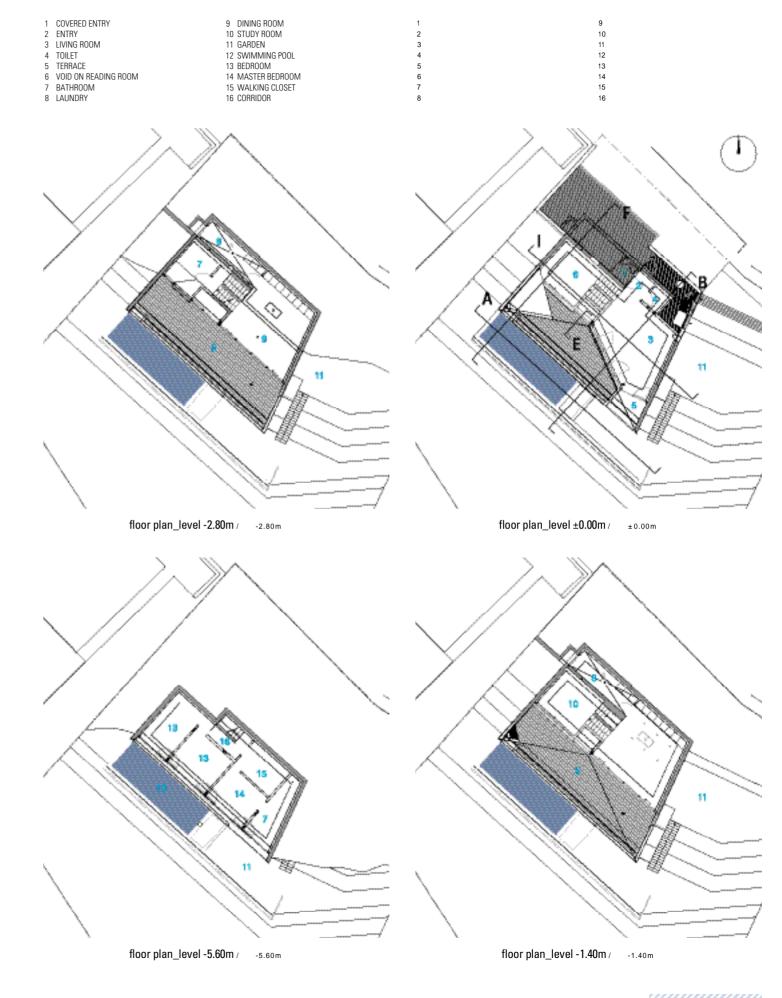


FLOOR PLAN / ELEVATION





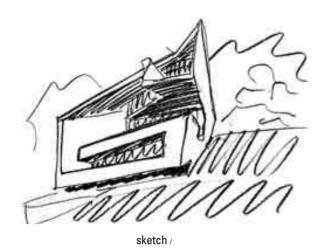
north elevation /

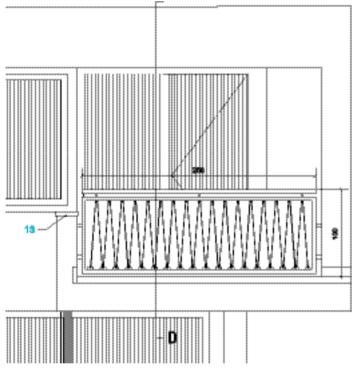


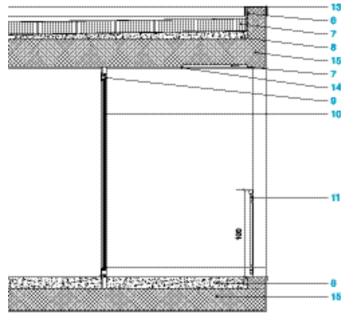
south elevation /

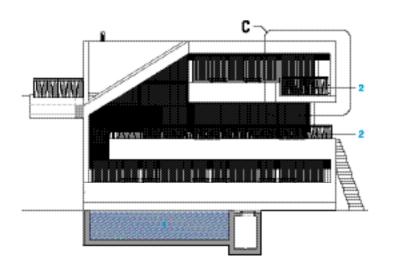
SECTION/WALL





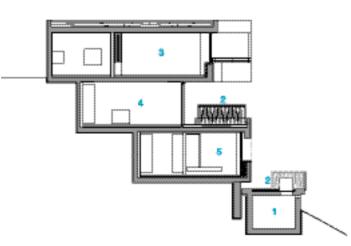






cross section A / A

partial elevation C /

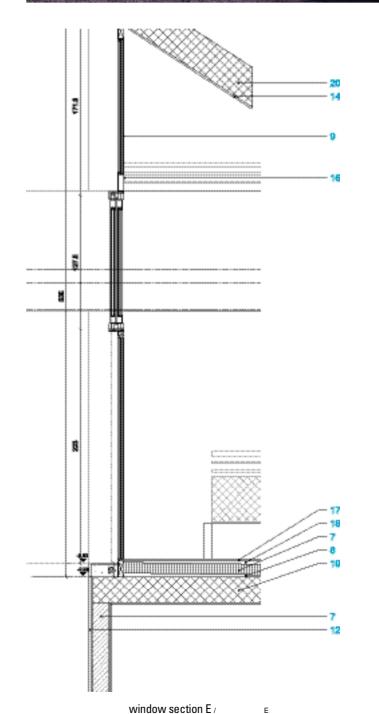


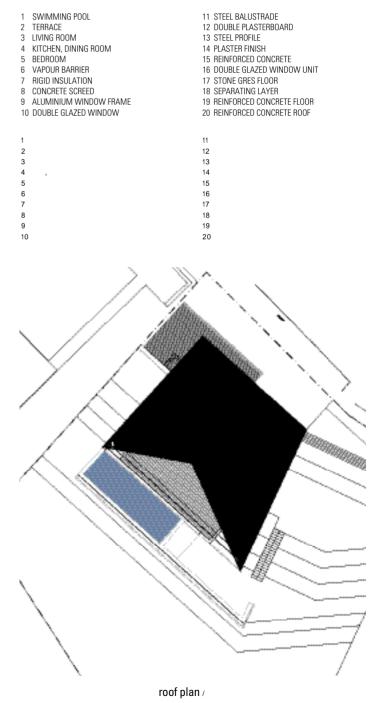
cross section B / B

outer wall section D /

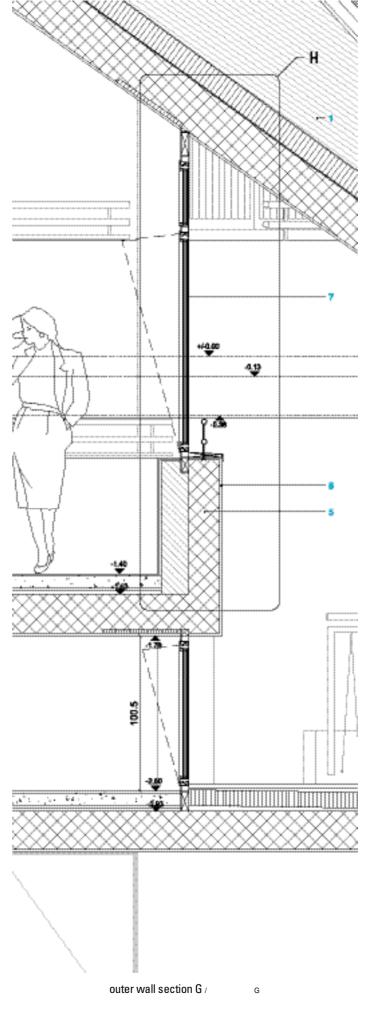


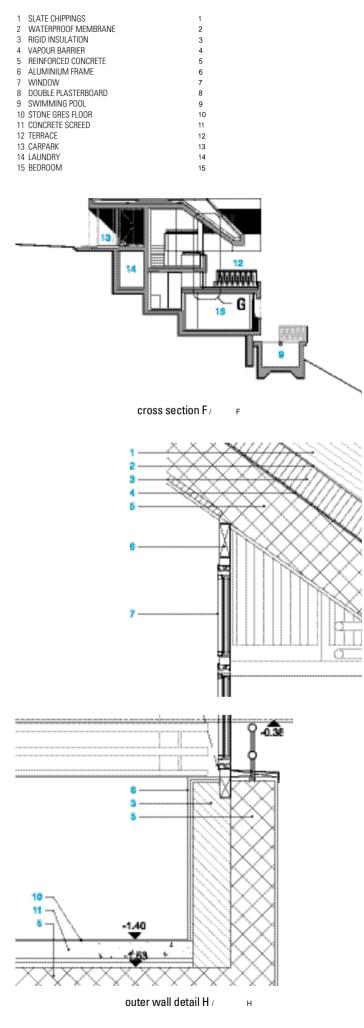








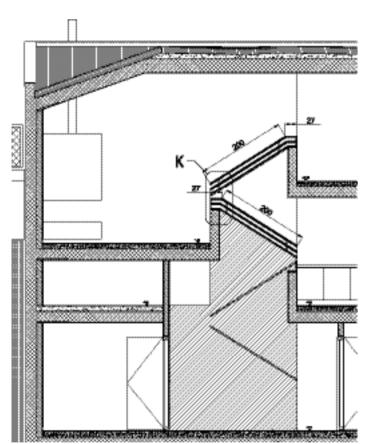




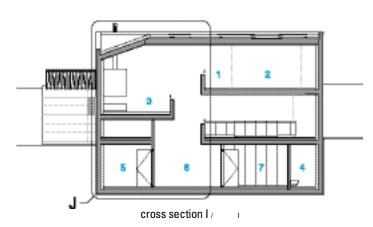


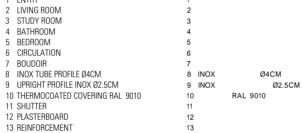


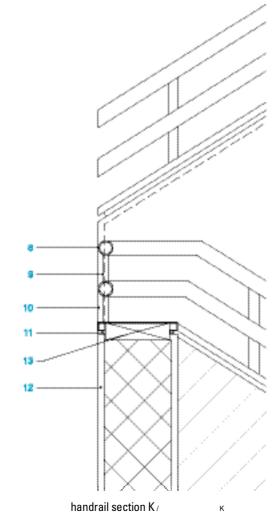




partial section J /







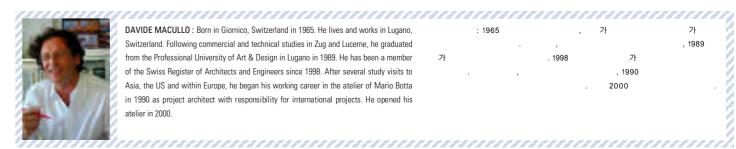


The house is sited on a south facing 30 degree slope. Due to the nature of the design, being a house that adheres to and follows its site, excavation has been kept to a minimum and no earth was removed from the site during construction. The geometry of the plan is generated by shifting levels and follows the fall of the site. The typology created by this staggered geometry underlies both the peculiarities of the landscape while also offering each of the levels a direct relationship with the surrounding gardens. The vertical connections relate all the spaces of the house in a spiral movement and is in a constant play with its new inhabitants' perception of time and scale. What is interesting about the house is the ability of the spaces to expand and extend into the landscape, allowing the external become part of the composition. While the individual spaces may be defined geometrically, each space flows into the next and continues to the external.

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DAVIDE MACULLO: Born in Giornico, Switzerland in 1965. He lives and works in Lugano, Switzerland. Following commercial and technical studies in Zug and Lucerne, he graduated from the Professional University of Art & Design in Lugano in 1989. He has been a member of the Swiss Register of Architects and Engineers since 1998. After several study visits to Asia, the US and within Europe, he began his working career in the atelier of Mario Botta in 1990 as project architect with responsibility for international projects. He opened his atelier in 2000.

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