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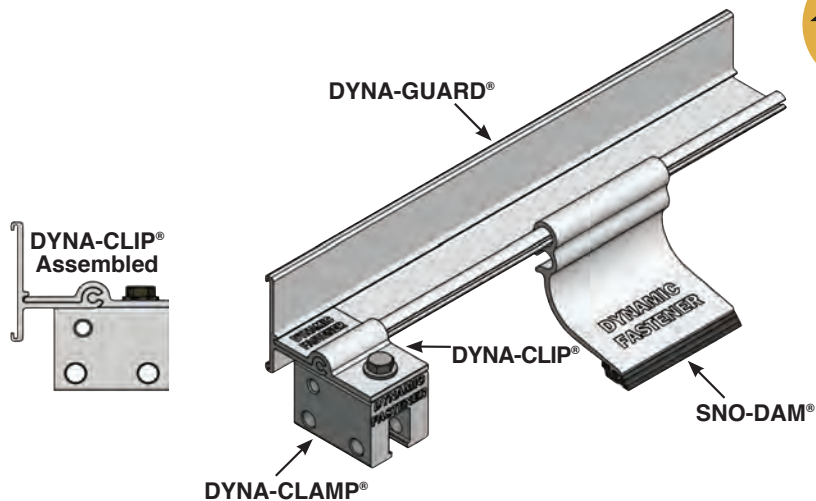
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I have a theory that every post-frame builder in America is currently sitting on a photo of the best barn, shop, or riding arena they've ever built — and that photo is trapped on somebody's phone, three thousand pictures deep, wedged between a kid's dance recital and a screenshot of a text nobody meant to save.

Friend, it's time for an intervention.

Every year around this time, Rural Builder puts out the call for projects for our Source Book, and every year a handful of builders send in stunning work, plus a much larger, much quieter group who could send in stunning work but don't, because they're too busy building. I get it. Nobody builds a 60x120 equestrian center so they can spend the following Tuesday writing a project description. But here's the thing — we'll do the heavy lifting. You send us the photos and a few basic details. We turn it into something your crew, your clients, and your competitors will all admire.

This isn't just about bragging rights. The Source Book is where builders across the country go looking for ideas, for proof of what's possible, and, frankly, for someone to steal a good roofline from. Your project could be the one that gets a rancher in Nebraska to finally build that indoor arena, or convinces a skeptical buyer that yes, post-frame can absolutely look that good.

So dig through the phone. Find the barn. Find the shop with the epoxy floor that made you a little emotional. Send it our way. We'll even help you remember what year you built it.

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DOORS:

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POSTS:

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TRUSSES:

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ROOF:

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WALLS:
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WINDOWS:
 AJ Harmony

OVERHEAD DOORS:
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WALK DOORS:
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This 2-story SHOUSE (Shop + House) features 2 overhead doors on the garage. Above the garage, there is a wide-open family room with a bathroom and 2-width dormers.

The main level house area features a full kitchen, family room, full bathroom, a concrete storm shelter, and a large storage area.

The upstairs is under a gambrel roof. The upstairs is one wide open family room, and the dormers are 8 feet wide to fit a full bay between trusses, for extra light to overlook the lake. So it gives the room a great big feel. We do that on houses all the time but not often on post-frame. **RB**





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that allowed her horses to live as simply as possible. Prioritizing their needs and comfort, high ceilings and light colors create a calm environment for the horses. This ethereal equestrian barn is perched on a hillside overlooking picturesque pastureland. Western Red Cedar siding glows with a natural warmth and aging patina, emphasized by the charcoal black standing seam roof.

The space was envisioned as a sanctuary for horses, with their needs and comfort central to the design. The high ceiling and light colors create a calming environment for the horses, while the center aisle and stalls are finished with interlocking rubber pavers for comfort and safety. **RB**



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column

This barndominium in Edenton, NC is a fully owner-built project, completed entirely by the homeowner from foundation through interior design. This structure was purpose-designed as a residential building from the ground up, with stamped residential engineering on both the trusses and columns.

Worldwide Steel supplied a hybrid build system combining steel structural members with wood framing components. Red iron components: Columns and trusses. Wood components: Purlins and girts.

This hybrid approach offers a number of distinct advantages for a DIY build, including: wood framing is more familiar to builders working without a general contractor; the wood acts as a thermal conduit barrier, reducing heat transfer and condensation through the building envelope; and compared to an all-steel package, this specific hybrid system came in at a lower overall cost.

The 6x6 residential flush columns are a standout design feature. Because the columns sit flush, interior walls can be built flat without any awkward protrusions, and drywall can be attached directly to the purlins and girts without floating the walls first.

For the ceiling, metal clips were run along the upper girders to carry 2x6 wood framing at 16 inches on center. This creates a fully finished ceiling plane and a concealed chase to run electrical wiring and HVAC components completely out of sight.

Worldwide Steel Buildings coordinated directly with the project architect and provided structural CAD files to streamline the permitting and foundation design process. Stamped engineering and foundation plans were included with the package.

This build demonstrates that a hybrid barndominium can function as a true residential structure rather than an adapted commercial shell. **RB**



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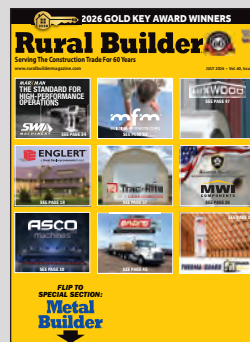
DOORS:
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WINDOWS:
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The cedar and wood-tone details, including log beam and posts in the lean-to are the most noticeable of the architectural design elements of this build, but other details also play a part in matching the hobby shop to the primary residence. This includes board and baton siding on the gable and lean-to, woodgrain doors with cedar trims, and stone wainscoting on the front of the building and concrete footings of the lean-to.

Using logs as the posts and beam of the lean-to required some innovative engineering and craftsmanship. Each log lean-to post sits on a concrete footing, and trusses need to be tied into the log beam, rather than a standard dimensional or EWP beam. **RB**





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POSTS:

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TRUSSES:

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ROOF PANELS:

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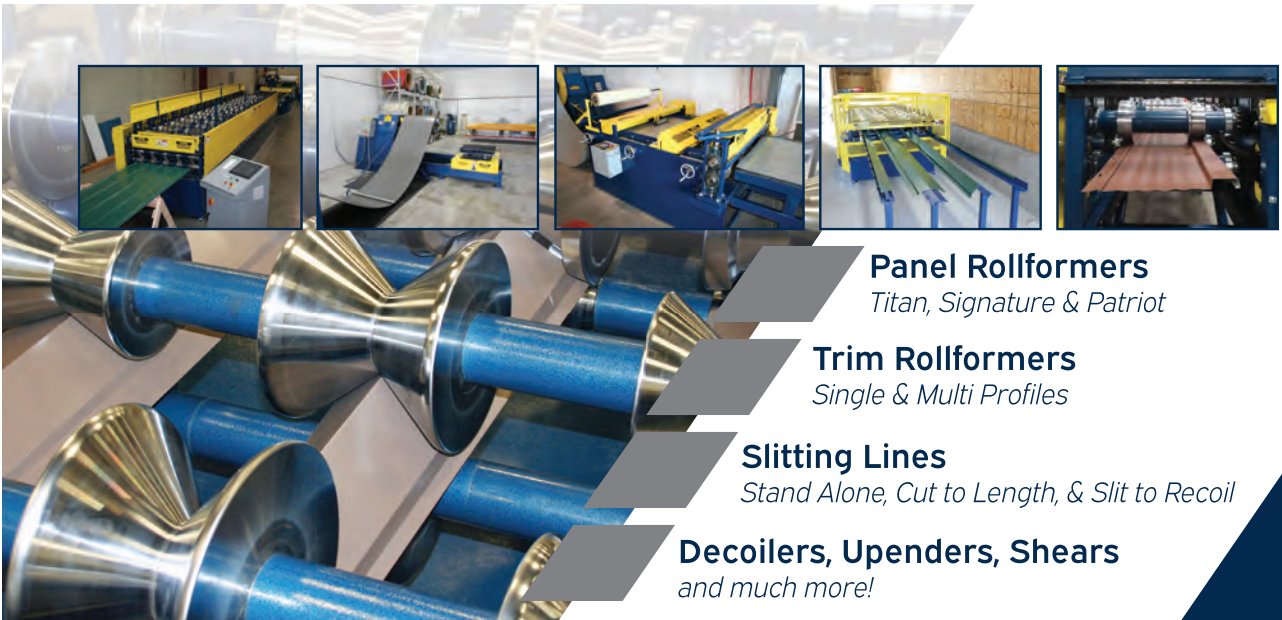
WALL PANELS:

FormaSteel

This multi-use farm facility near Schuler, AB brings cold storage and heated shop space under one roof with impressive scale—combining a 100' x 100' x 22' shop with 86' x 200' x 22' unfinished storage for machines and materials to solve the problem of constructing multiple buildings and disconnected farm operations. The wall between the spaces features a large Powerlift door, so machines can be easily moved between both spaces.

The foundation for a successful build was set by our design team, ensuring the building was engineered to support the scale and spans of the building. Trusses and posts are spaced at 4', while the trusses in the 100' workshop section are 2-ply. Next to the Powerlift door are 10-ply posts to support the full weight. **RB**





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LOCATION:

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SIZE:

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TRUSSES:

Buffalo River Truss

ROOF PANELS:

29 GA by Plateau Metals

WALL PANELS:

Sherwin Williams Weather XL
Paint in Buckskin

FASTENERS:

Simpson Strong Tie

OVERHEAD DOORS:

Plateau Garage Doors

INSULATION:

Thermaguard

This one turned out absolutely incredible, and we couldn't be more proud of how it came together for this amazing family. They came to us with a vision — a building that felt like it belonged with their home, not just sitting next to it. So we matched the white metal exterior with black trim to their house, and it truly looks like it was always supposed to be there.

But the real fun is what's inside. He gets the garage of his dreams — enough space to finally park his dream truck the way it deserves. She gets a legit home gym with room to actually move. And there's still plenty of space left over for all the storage they could





ever need.

Then there's the lean-to. This thing is *chef's kiss*. Covered patio, ceiling fans, room for outdoor furniture, and a view of those gorgeous mature trees in the background. Whether it's a

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LOCATION:

Tripoli, Wisconsin

SIZE:

56' by 65' convenience store and a 50' by 28' office

WALLS:

Wick Dark Gray Oak

ROOF:

Wick Crinkle Black

TRUSSES:

Clear Span

VENTILATION:

Profile Vent at the ridge cap

WAINSCOT:

Versetta Stone

This attractive structure in northern Wisconsin is designed to be both practical and easy to maintain. The building incorporates a 56' by 65' convenience store and a 50' by 28' office area. The convenience store features raised lower chord trusses, peaking with just over 12' of interior height, which gives it an open, welcoming and spacious feel inside.

This structure is engineered for strength, durability, and low maintenance - ideal for handling tough Northern Wisconsin weather. The exterior roof and wall system, featuring Wick's UL approved steel in Dark Gray Oak pattern on the walls and Crinkle Black on the roof, and Versetta Stone for wainscot, provide a clean and attractive look while standing up to the elements year after year.

There are covered porches at the front and back, along with vented roof overhangs that provide extra weather protection and work with Profile Vent at the ridge cap to manage attic ventilation. Windows and doors provide plenty of natural light and visibility and provide retail customers with easy access.



Designed with clear span trusses, the layout leaves plenty of flexibility for things like offices, storage, break areas, and mechanical spaces. The benefit of no weight bearing walls on the retail side is that the interior space can be reconfigured over time and better able to accommodate changing product display layouts, prepared foods and cool beverages.

The overall structure uses engineered wood columns and roof trusses designed to meet local code requirements for snow and wind loads and sits on a reinforced concrete slab. The 6" batt insulation in the walls and blown-in ceiling insulation helps control heating and cooling costs. All in all, it's an solid, attractive commercial building - built to last, easy to work in, and adaptable to different uses. **RB**





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SIZE:
 46ft x 26ft

ROOF PANELS:
 Corrugated Sheet Steel - Rhino Steel

WALL PANELS:
 Douglas Fir in situ paneled

TRUSSES:
 Traditional Mortice and Tenon
 - Post and Beam

FASTENERS:
 RotherBlas - Italy and Timber Pegs

WALK DOORS:
 Mottaghan Reid

Enduring Craftsmanship in the Heart of the Peak District

Set high in the Peak District National Park, close to the highest village in the UK and within one of Britain's most weather-exposed regions, this bespoke agricultural building presented challenges that tested both engineering and craftsmanship from the very beginning.

Construction took place throughout autumn and winter, with exceptionally wet conditions compounded by heavy snowfall. The site's elevation and exposure demanded a far more robust design than a conventional agricultural structure. Wind load calculations were engineered to withstand forces up to three times greater than those typically applied to standard barns, while the roof structure was designed to accommodate winter snow accumulations equivalent to two feet of wet European snow.

Perhaps the greatest challenge lay beneath the surface. The site comprised a layer of loam over clay, creating difficult ground conditions that required careful consideration throughout the build. As the weather deteriorated, traditional telehandler operations became increasingly impractical, leading the team to adapt their installation methodology and utilise a compact spider crane to safely and efficiently complete the erection process.



Designed for true multi-purpose agricultural use, the barn provides accommodation for both horses and sheep, while also incorporating an integral chicken coop and dedicated workshop area. Recognising the severity of the local climate, the building features a raised roof and ventilated ridge system, ensuring effective airflow even when the structure must remain fully enclosed during periods of extreme weather.

The building itself reflects the character of the surrounding landscape. A substantial Derbyshire hand-cut stone plinth wall, rising to four feet in height, forms the foundation of the structure. Above sits a carefully crafted Douglas fir frame and cladding system, chosen for both its strength and natural beauty. The timber was sourced from high-quality forests in the Burgundy (Bourgogne) region of France, selected for the consistency and durability required for such a demanding environment.

This barn is a true legacy building. It speaks as much to the future as it does to the past—combining traditional craftsmanship, time-honoured materials, and modern agricultural functionality in equal measure. Situated within a unique area of outstanding natural beauty, the structure sits comfortably within the landscape while making a confident statement of quality, permanence, and respect for its surroundings.



Mottaghan Reid were chosen for this project because of our ability to deliver bespoke, engineered solutions tailored to unique site conditions. The result is a building capable of withstanding some of the harshest weather conditions found in the UK, while remaining elegant, practical, and enduring. It is a testament to thoughtful design, skilled craftsmanship, and the belief that rural buildings should not simply serve a purpose but become part of the landscape's story for generations to come. **RB**

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 Flow Roofing True Metal Supply's 26-gauge TrueLock 175 Standing Seam panels. Pitch 12:12, 4:12

COATING:
 Sherwin-Williams Coil Coatings WeatherXL Black

VENTILATION:
 Snap-Z 1750

FASTENERS:
 Wilcat Fasteners Universal Pancake Screw

This 5,500-square-foot project, installed by Flow Roofing, showcases a striking architectural profile by combining steep 12:12 pitches with more gradual 4:12 slopes. The structure is clad in True Metal Supply's 26-gauge TrueLock 175 Standing Seam panels. The striated panels are finished in Sherwin-Williams WeatherXL Black, providing a bold, high-contrast aesthetic that emphasizes the sharp lines and varied elevations of the roofline.

To ensure long-term performance across this complex design, the installation features a robust moisture management system led by Marco Hydrashell

MAX underlayment. The panels are secured with Wildcat Universal Pancake Screws, allowing for the sleek, fastener-free look of a professional standing seam application. For efficient thermal regulation, the team integrated Snap-Z 1750 ridge ventilation, with Geocel sealant providing a critical, weather-tight finish at every transition and peak. **RB**







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Barndominium

NEW ENERGY WORKS

www.newenergyworks.com

LOCATION:
Finger Lakes

SIZE:
4,400 s.f.

DOOR:
Felluca

FOUNDATION:
Heated Concrete

TRUSSES:
New Energy Works

WINDOWS:
Marvin

LIGHTING:
Noguchi Lighting

Ed and Molly Shill's Finger Lakes area barn was built for function, form, and fun; a 4,400-square-foot multipurpose barndominium that reflects the past, present, and future. The structure sits adjacent to the shore of Canandaigua Lake and nestles into the surrounding landscape like a long-loved working barn. This contemporary build combines both professional and creative spaces and has one foot firmly in the past through its aesthetic choices. A cupola and weathervane crown the structure, a representation of the farm barns that marked Ed's youth.

The goals for the barn's design were numerous yet attainable; a meditation studio for Molly, to practice Yoga, a place to store and display Ed's classic cars, and several spaces to keep equipment and mechanicals for the property's upkeep.

Marrying function with high-end detail, the barn expresses craftsmanship rooted in pastoral tradition. On the exterior of the barn is reclaimed American Prairie Coral Board, providing the structure with a rustic setting. On the interior is reclaimed mushroom board creating a warm brown interior typically found in old barns. **RB**







Barndominium

COATED METALS GROUP
www.cmgmetals.com

LOCATION:
 Colorado

SIZE:
 74' x 72'

STEEL COIL:
 CMG Product: 24 ga. Low Gloss Deep Black — Pre-finished Steel Coil

ROOF AND WALL PANELS:
 1.5" Snap Lock Panels roll formed by Pierce Roofing using Coated Metals Group pre-finished coil

BUILDER:
 Gowler Homes

Nestled against a sweeping backdrop of Colorado grasslands and snow-capped peaks, the Quiet Waters residence is exactly the kind of project that defines what modern barndominium design can achieve. Clean geometry, warm reclaimed wood siding, natural stone accents, and a dark, confident metal roof that doesn't compete for attention; it commands it.

For Pierce Roofing, the Colorado-based installer behind this project, the material choice was deliberate: CMG's 24-gauge Low Gloss Deep Black, roll-formed into New Tech Machinery SS450SL 1.5" snap lock panels, applied across both the roof and wall surfaces of the home. The result is a cohesive, head-to-toe metal envelope that performs as well as it photographs.

Why Low Gloss?

In a high-altitude, high-sunlight environment like Colorado, gloss matters. Conventional higher-gloss metal finishes can amplify the appearance of oil-canning. The effect is most visible at oblique angles in strong directional light, exactly the kind of light that defines the Colorado Rockies and high plains.

The finished Quiet Waters residence speaks for itself. From the circular driveway approach revealing the home's bold front gable to the rear balcony overlooking open Colorado range land, the Low Gloss Deep Black metal envelope is a unifying element — giving the structure its visual weight and modern rural identity while letting the natural materials around it breathe. **RB**





Equestrian Riding Arena

LEGACY BUILDING SOLUTIONS
legacybuildingsolutions.com

LOCATION:
 Colorado Springs, Colorado

SIZE:
 140' x 220' (30,800 sq ft)

FOUNDATION:
 Mibar Engineering LTD, spread footing with tie beams and piers

TRUSSES:
 Legacy Building Solutions, solid steel I-beam frames

ROOF PANELS:
 Legacy Building Solutions, ExxoTec™ PVC fabric (white, translucent)

WALL PANELS:
 ExxoTec™ PVC fabric (darker on sidewalls/endwalls)

OVERHEAD DOORS:
 American Overhead Door, coil overhead doors (x3 at end walls)

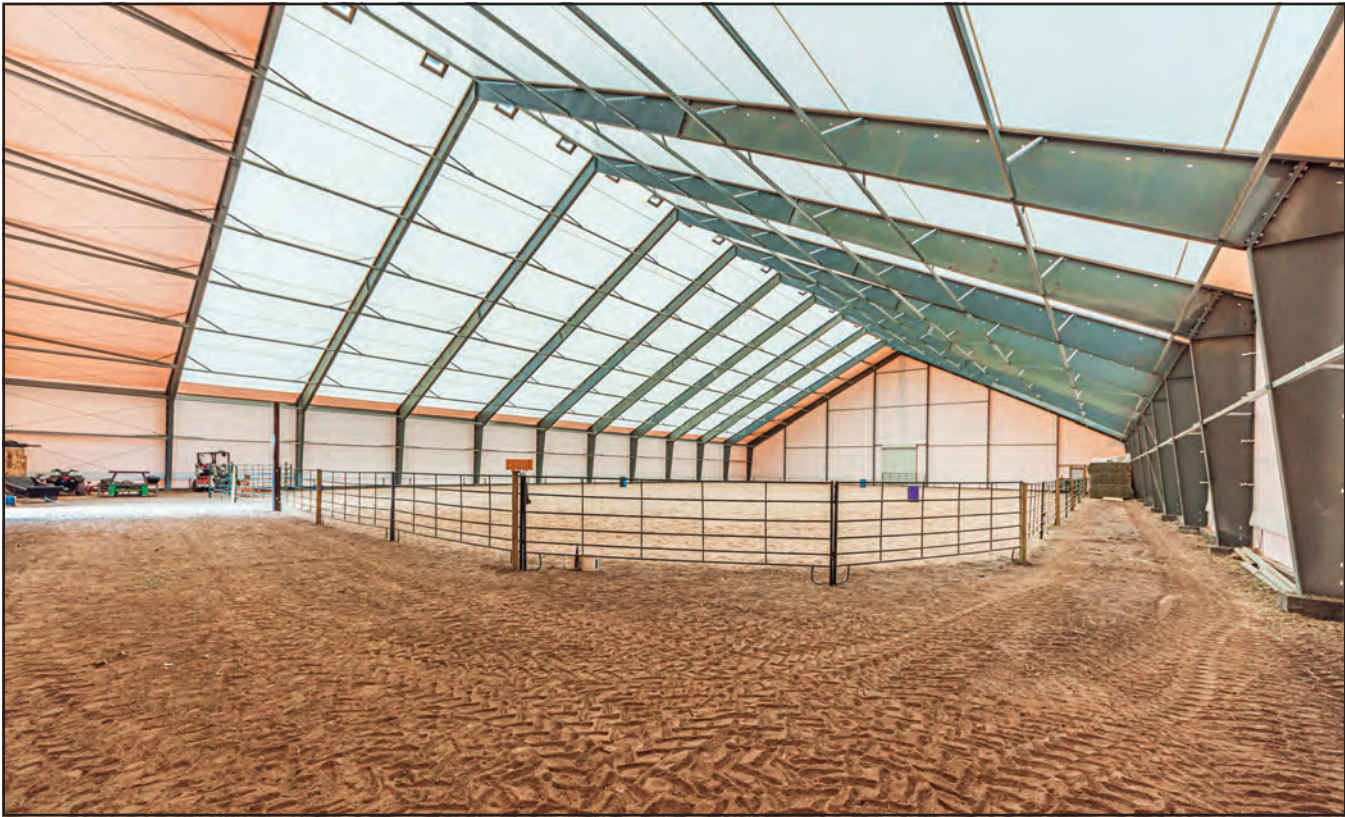
VENTILATION:
 3 coil overhead doors at end walls for cross breezes

INSULATION:
 Uninsulated; darker fabric sidewalls trap heat

Red Tail Ranch Equestrian Center is the largest multi-discipline equestrian facility in the Colorado Springs area.

The ranch has been a working commuter stable since 1875. Historically, the Colorado Midland Railway used the ranch to transport and race horses from Florissant, Colorado into Woodland Park, predating the railroad's expansion across the region.

Today, the Redtail Ranch Equestrian Center—now under the ownership of the Kaberna family—honors its transit-focused roots as a premier 88-acre horse boarding facility located at Woodland Park. **RB**





Barndominium

ZAWADA BUILDING
www.zawadabuildings.com

SIZE:
34' X 54' X 10'

POSTS:
Glu-lam with Post Protectors

TRUSSES:
Rigidply Rafters

ROOF PANELS:
APM Endura metal

WALLS:
Indiana Metal

DOORS:
Therma Tru

WINDOWS:
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WOODSTYLE HOMES

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LOCATION:

Okanagan Valley,
British Columbia

SIZE:

3,500 s.f.

ROOF:

24g Cascadia Metals Black
SMP Standing Seam Metal
Roof

SOLAR MOUNT:

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less solar mounting solution

SNOW CONTROL:

S-5! X-Gard™ 2.0 pipe snow
retention solution

Bruce Goode, a retired cattle-ranch owner and airline pilot, purchased an 8-acre equestrian estate with spectacular mountain and lake views in the Okanagan Valley area of British Columbia, Canada. The property features a new multi-purpose barn and outdoor arena, along with his private residence, a hay storage unit and a chicken house.

The spacious main floor will be used as a workshop area with a tack room and riders' lounge. The upper floor open loft area will be used as a "hunting lodge/cowboy shack" themed retreat and entertainment area complete with taxidermy mounts, in addition to a hobby/work area for gunsmithing as well as a workout area.

Bruce's goal was to construct a multi-purpose building made of fire-resistant materials since the property is located within a forest interface area. He wanted the roof of the barn to serve as a mounting platform for a 28.35-kilowatt PV solar system to provide 100% of the electricity needs for the entire equestrian ranch property. After consultation with the solar installer, the ridge line of the building was oriented exactly due east/west, which affords maximum solar gain for the direct-attach 90 solar panel system mounted on the south-facing upper roof and lower roof surfaces.

The 24g Cascadia Metals Black SMP Standing Seam Metal Roof together with the S-5! PVKIT direct-attach, rail-less solar mounting solution helped him to achieve his goals. The PVKIT enabled solar installers to direct-attach PV modules to the standing seams, eliminating the need for a traditional rail mounting system, and provides a simple, secure, economical and penetration-free method for attaching solar modules.

Bruce also wanted to reduce the risk of sudden and unexpected release of snow, potentially posing a serious threat to family/friends and property below. He discovered the S-5! X-Gard™ 2.0 pipe snow retention solution to meet his needs. **RB**





Guest House

SHEDS UNLIMITED
shedsunlimited.net

LOCATION:
Nellysford, Virginia

SIZE:
28' x 34'

TRUSSES:
Engineered Mono-Slope Trusses
(Sloped Flat Truss design), 2'
O.C., with truss screws

WALL PANELS:
7/16" OSB sheathing on 2x6
studs with an additional
layer of 3/8" grooveless LP
SmartSide panel siding; features
decorative exterior battens
placed 16" O.C.

FASTENERS:
1/2" x 8" Titen HD screw anchors
(foundation/anchor bolts)
and Simpson SDWC15600-KT
structural truss screws

This modern garage was built in Nellysford, Virginia, as an add-on living space and guest house to this family's primary home! Featuring iron-ore board and batten siding, matte black trim, and standing seam metal roofing. The entire space was built to embrace the outdoors. The standout feature, the garage door opening and deck, provides plenty of natural light throughout the living, dining, and kitchen areas, while also offering mountain-facing views. Warm wood finishes and modern details help create a stylish space that supports relaxation and entertaining. **RB**







Zimmerman Egg Farm

HIXWOOD METAL

www.hixwood.com

LOCATION:

Stanley, Wisconsin

SIZE:

23,122 Square ft

ROOF:

Hixwood SuperRib panel.
ZAM® substrate coating.
Beckers CAdP Paint System,
Black (Smooth)

SIDING:

Hixwood SuperRib panel
Beckers CAdP Paint System,
Charcoal (Smooth)

FASTENERS:

East Coast Ply-Lo Driller

WINDOWS / VENTILATION:

Silverline Windows, Plyco
Service Doors, CHI overhead
doors, Chore Time Endura Max
Tunnel Doors

Seeing an opportunity to enter the egg market, this facility was designed to house 30,000 birds and automate several aspects of the operation. (Egg packing, cooler, and loading dock on the left. Litter storage facility on the right, with conveyor between.)

As poultry facilities are a high ammonia environment, they chose roofing panels with ZAM® substrate coating for its self-healing properties and extended corrosion resistance to get the longest panel life possible.





Ag-Tuf® liner panels are used in the main building, as its chemical durability allows frequent cleaning for high sanitary maintenance, and extended service in harsh chemical/ high ammonia environments.

Duraclad® interlocking panels line the egg packing room, (same chemical resistance) providing ease of sanitation with their water-resistant hidden fastener system.

Both PVC panels are FDA & USDA approved for food production facilities.

The primary purpose of this building is to provide a modern, efficient home for 30,000 cage-free poultry layers. Designed with Chor-Time aviary-style nesting systems, the facility will supply the birds with reliable access to feed, water, nesting space, and roosting areas. This building will create the essential structure needed for efficient production of specialty table eggs. **RB**



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How to Photograph Your Project Like a Pro

A Builder's Guide to Submitting Photos for Project of the Month and the Source Book

WHY PHOTOS MATTER SO MUCH

Remember: editors and judges never see your building in person — they see your photos. Treat your photos as the en-

tire pitch for your work, because a well-built project can be overlooked when photos are dark, cluttered, or taken from an odd angle, while a modest project can shine when it is photographed well.

GENERAL RULES THAT APPLY TO ANY CAMERA

- Shoot in good light. Golden hour — the first hour after sunrise and the last hour before sunset — provides soft, flattering light while avoiding harsh shadows and blown-out skies. Overcast days are also great; the clouds act like a giant soft-box. Avoid direct, high sunlight if you can help it.
- Clean up the site first. Move trucks, trailers, scrap material, trash cans, hoses, and equipment out of the frame. Keep the site tidy, so it reads as a professional job.
- Shoot the exterior from an angle,

not straight on. A three-quarter view — showing two sides of the building — gives depth and dimension. A dead-on, flat shot looks like a mugshot of a building.

- Include a sense of scale. A truck, a person, or an open door in the frame helps the viewer understand how large the structure really is.
- Get the whole building in frame. Back up, use a wider lens, or shoot from a slight rise if you have one nearby. Don't crop off the roofline or corners.
- Shoot horizontally, not vertically. Magazines and web features are almost always laid out horizontally, and vertical phone photos are often cropped awkwardly or are unusable.
- Capture the details, not just the whole building. Trim work, door hardware, interior trusses, and unique rooflines tell the story of the craftsmanship that the wide

A Note From the Editor

I've spent decades behind a camera as a professional photographer, and the tips below reflect what makes a photo work — not just industry folklore. Good photos are one of the biggest factors in whether a project gets selected for Project of the Month or featured in our annual Source Book, so it's worth the extra ten minutes on site to get them right.

shot can't.

- Document the build, not just the finished product. Take a few in-progress shots — foundation, framing, enclosure — to add credibility, and include them when feature articles request them.

- Finally, shoot more than you think you need. Take 20–30 photos per project and let the editor pick the best ones, rather than sending three or four you like.



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SHOOTING WITH AN IPHONE

- Use the native Camera app, not a third-party app, for the best image quality and full-resolution files.

- Turn on the grid in Settings > Camera > Grid, and use it to line up the horizon and building edges. Crooked horizons are one of the most common amateur mistakes.

- Tap the building itself, not the sky, to set focus and exposure. This tells the phone to expose the structure rather than the clouds.

- Avoid digital zoom. Walk closer instead of pinching to zoom — zooming digitally softens the image badly. If your iPhone has a second “1x/2x” optical-quality lens, that’s fine to use.

- Turn off Live Photos on iPhone for submission shots; it is unnecessary and bloats the file size.

- Keep HDR on on iPhone; it helps balance the bright sky against the shaded front of the building. It is automatic on most modern iPhones.

- Wipe the iPhone lens. A smudge from a pocket or a dusty job site is the single most common reason phone photos look soft.

- Email the originals or use AirDrop/a file-transfer link instead. When sending photos through iMessage or group texts, they are heavily compressed. Export at full size.

SHOOTING WITH AN ANDROID PHONE

- Use the built-in Android camera app



in its standard photo mode, rather than Night mode or heavy beauty or AI filters, which can over-process the image.

- Turn on the grid overlay in your An-

droid camera settings to help keep the building level and square in the frame.

- On Android, tap the building to set focus and exposure, just like on an iPhone. Most Android camera apps support this with a simple tap-and-hold to lock it.

- Use the main (wide) lens, not the zoom, and physically move closer for tighter shots. Phone zoom lenses are far lower resolution than the main sensor.

- Shoot in the highest resolution setting available on Android. Some Android phones default to a lower resolution to save storage.

- Send full-resolution files from Android. As with the iPhone, standard text messaging apps significantly compress photos, so use email, a cloud folder link (Google Drive or Dropbox), or a USB transfer for submissions.

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SHOOTING WITH A DEDICATED CAMERA (DSLR / MIRRORLESS)

- Use a wide-to-normal lens on a DSLR or mirrorless camera, roughly 16–35mm, for full-building exterior shots, and a normal-to-short-telephoto lens, 35–85mm, for details and portraits of the crew.
- Shoot at a low ISO. Whenever light al-

lows, keep images clean and free of digital noise.

- Use a tripod for interior shots on a DSLR or mirrorless camera. Building interiors are often dim, and a tripod lets you shoot at a low ISO with a slower shutter speed without blur.
- For high-contrast scenes, such as a bright sky and a shaded building facade, bracket exposures and blend or pick the best exposure afterward — or use in-camera HDR if available.
- Watch your horizon and verticals. Keep the camera level; converging vertical lines from tilting the camera up at a tall building are usually undesirable in a straightforward documentary shot.
- Export final images from a DSLR or mirrorless camera as high-resolution JPEGs at or near full resolution in

sRGB color space — do not downsize for the web before sending.



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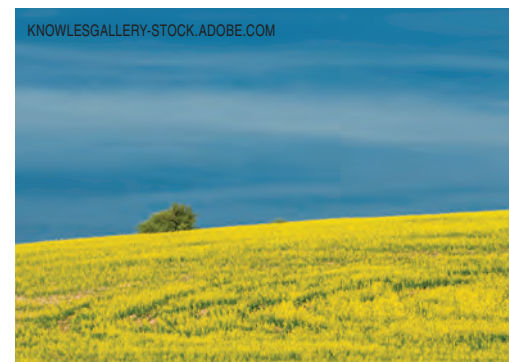
- Aim for at least 3000 pixels on the long edge (roughly 8–12 megapixels or higher). Bigger is fine — we can always size down, but we can't add resolution that isn't there.
- Use File format: JPEG (or RAW, if available). Avoid screenshots, PDF exports, or images pulled from a website or social media post — those are heavily compressed and low-resolution.
- Use horizontal (landscape) orientation for most shots; a few verticals are fine as detail or cover-candidate shots. We can usually make a magazine cover from a horizontal shot.
- Do not send photos as a text message thread or embedded in a Word document — both compress images badly. Email the original files or share a cloud folder link.

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN A PROJECT OF THE MONTH OR SOURCE BOOK SUBMISSION

- Include 6–12 exterior shots from dif-



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ferent angles and distances, including at least one full-building three-quarter view.

- Include 3–6 interior shots showing the structure, trusses/framing, and any finished interior space.

- Include 2–4 detail shots of standout features — trim, doors, hardware, unique design elements.

- Include 1–2 in-progress or crew shots, if available — these add credibility and human interest. Include a short project description with location (city/state), building size and use, key materials or components, and the builder/company name.



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QUICK PRE-SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- Keep the site clean and clear of trucks, trash, and equipment.
- Shot during good light — golden hour or overcast, not harsh midday sun
- Keep the horizon and building lines level.
- Keep the entire building in frame, shot at an angle to create depth.
- Mix of wide exterior, interior, and close-up detail shots
- Photos sent at full resolution — not



texted or screenshotted

- Include project details — location, size, and builder name — with the photos.

RB

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WHY SUBMIT? LET US COUNT THE WAYS

- **It's free publicity, and free is a beautiful word.** Submitting costs you nothing but a few minutes and a decent phone camera. If selected, your project lands in front of builders, suppliers, and potential clients nationwide — and gets a shot at the annual Source Book, our showcase of the year's best work. No ad budget required, no awkward sales pitch, just your building doing the talking.
- **You get to show off without sounding like you're showing off.** There's a fine line between confidence and bragging, and a magazine feature walks it beautifully. Every project we publish quietly raises the bar for what a well-built rural structure should look like — and reminds everyone in the industry that you're the one setting it.
- **Somebody, somewhere, needs to see exactly what you built.** Maybe it's a rancher who didn't know a machine shed could look that good. Maybe it's a bride hunting for a barn venue. Rural construction covers a lot of ground these days — grain systems, equestrian centers, light commercial, barndominiums — and every project we feature helps someone else picture what's possible for theirs.
- **It's genuinely, almost suspiciously easy.** Fill out a short online form with your company and project details, list the components you used, and upload a handful of clear, well-lit photos (bonus points if nobody's truck is parked in front of the good angle). If we pick it, you'll get to review the layout before it goes to print. That's it. No essay required.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU

- **Marketing you don't have to pay for.** Being featured in Rural Builder is the kind of exposure you'd otherwise have to buy — except you don't, because we did the work of finding you interesting.
- **A little seal of “we know what we're doing.”** Slap “As Seen in

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WHY NOW IS THE RIGHT TIME

Rural and agricultural construction is booming, which is a fancy way of saying everybody and their cousin needs a new barn, bin, or barndominium right now. Demand for post-frame and metal buildings in agricultural, light commercial, equestrian, and residential applications has never been stronger. Get in while the spotlight's on you — because right now, it could be. Whether it's grain facilities, machine sheds, horse barns, workshops, commercial buildings, or rural homes, every well-built project helps tell the story of what's possible, and yours deserves a page in it.

DOES YOUR PROJECT QUALIFY? A QUICK GUT-CHECK

If you can check even one of these, stop reading and send an email or go fill out the form. We'll wait.

- ☐ You're a little too proud of how that roofline turned out.
- ☐ A client cried, hugged you, or both, at the walkthrough.
- ☐ You solved a problem nobody thought was solvable (short of dynamite).

- ☐ It's a barn, bin, shouse, arena, barndo, or building you'd happily show your mother.
- ☐ You have photos on your phone you keep showing people at parties.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- Livestock and equestrian buildings, from entry-level barns to elite training facilities
- Grain, feed, and commodity storage structures
- Machine sheds and equipment storage buildings
- Light commercial and specialty retail post-frame buildings
- Rural residences, barndominiums, and workshops
- Basically, anything you built that made you say "oh, that turned out nice"

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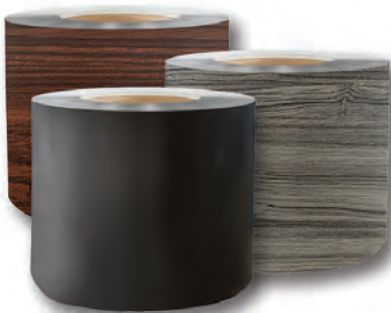
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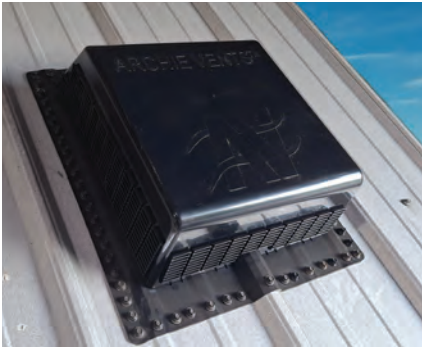


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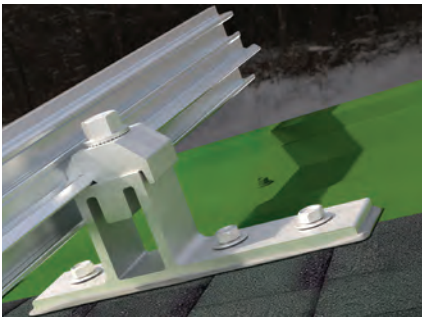
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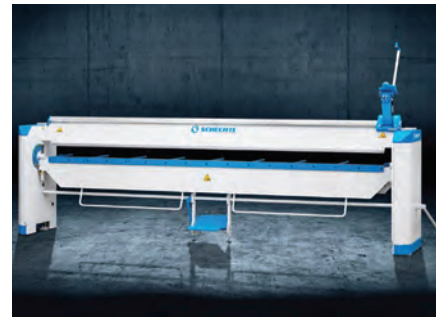
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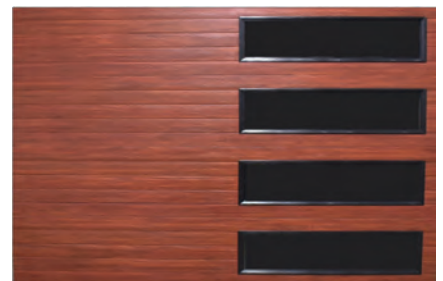
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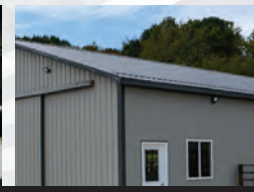
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