

Project: La Marina House

Team: Besonias Almeida Arquitectos

Size: 290 m²

Location: Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA



Feature:

Project - Tucked into the sand dunes of Argentina's Buenos Aires coast, the striking La Marina House by Besonias Almeida Arquitectos makes a bold statement with its exposed concrete construction. The 290 sqm vacation home embraces indoor-outdoor living with its cleverly oriented volumes and abundant openings to the tranquil natural setting. Distinguished by intersecting rectangular prisms, the house is divided into public and private zones across split levels. Four columns support the entrance volume in a dramatic cantilevered form, drawing the eye to the suspended concrete mass. Bedrooms and bathrooms reside in the elevated prism, carefully controlled openings maintaining privacy.

Below, the social volume connects to the outdoors through generous glazing. Floor-to-ceiling windows and doors fully open the living spaces to surrounding forest views and the home's own considered landscape. The folding concrete roof ushers daylight into the interiors, producing ever-changing light. While primarily concrete, the house incorporates wood slatting to define service areas without fully separating rooms. Splashes of warmth come from the wooden furnishings and accents. The material palette ties together the home's formal geometries with the soft natural context, creating a harmonious dialogue unique to its coastal site.

Design Team - Founded in 2000, Besonías Almeida Arquitectos is led by principals María Victoria Besonias and Guillermo de Almeida, both established Argentinian architects with over 4 decades of individual experience each. Distinguished educators and active figures in Argentina's architecture institutions, their collective recognition includes the prestigious Trajectory and Merit Award from the Buenos Aires Provincial Senate. The firm's award-winning portfolio reveals a mastery of space, light, and materiality, with acute attention paid

to surrounding landscapes. Projects span private residences, mixed-use buildings and urban planning across Argentina. They balance rigorous geometry with fluidity, uniting natural and built worlds through purposeful dialogue. Warmth often derives from strategic wood accents and furnishings set against exposed concrete volumes. Besonías Almeida Arquitectos continues to shape Argentinian architecture through its contextual modernism grounded in minimalism.