

Project: Sarah's House in Corfu

Team: The Manser Practice

Size: 198 m²

Location: Corfu, GREECE



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Project - Nestled in a Corfu olive grove overlooking the sparkling Ionian Sea, Sarah's House is a green oasis of simple sustainable design. Conceived by the UK's renowned Manser Practice, known for its sensitive approaches to site and climate, the four-bedroom home uses passive strategies and renewable energy to tread lightly on the land.

Oriented for optimal solar gain, cross ventilation and stunning sea views, floor-to-ceiling glazing blurs boundaries between indoors and out. Thick indigenous stone walls, concrete floors and an overhanging green roof keep interiors blissfully cool, avoiding the need for energy-hogging AC. Rain harvesting provides water needs as panels and solar water heaters generate 90% of power on-site.

Blending beautifully into the terrain, olive wood and local stone cladding anchor Sarah's House to place and history. Existing olive trees shade outdoor living spaces as home-grown vegetables and grove prunings supply food and fuel. The sensitive scheme respects ecology as much as client, with off-grid independence promoting sustainability over the long term.

Vibrant yet calm, high-tech yet humble, Sarah's House synthesizes innovation and integrity. Treading lightly where land meets sea, the home's graceful green design promises enjoyment today without compromising tomorrow's Ionian views. The Manser Practice has crafted an inspiring vision of how humanity and habitat can not only coexist but uplift one another.

Design Team - Hailed as one of the UK's leading boutique architecture studios, The Manser Practice brings bespoke creative vision to projects of every scale. Led by Jonathan Manser,

this multidisciplinary team excels in sensitive, sustainable design attuned to locale and client. Their award-winning portfolio from hospitals to hotels displays innovation rooted in real human needs.

Blending cutting-edge technology with artisanal craft, The Manser Practice's tailored designs showcase both site and community. Whether a green housing complex, mixed-use masterplan or transport hub, completed projects promote wellbeing and new possibilities. Their collaborative, holistic ethos fosters spaces where people and place can thrive in harmony.