

Project: Viet Tri House

Team: i.House Architecture and Construction

Size: 292.5 m²

Location: Việt Trì, VIETNAM



Feature:

Project - Stepping into the sweltering heat of a Viet Tri summer afternoon, we were greeted by the homeowner with a warm smile and a simple request - "Help me transform this into a more livable place."

The narrow tube house at 5m x 19.5m with a total area of 292.5 m² suffered from poor layout, lack of light and ventilation. A dark, cramped staircase monopolized movement and views. The west-facing orientation bore the brunt of afternoon sun, resulting in unbearable heat. The busy street location only exacerbated noise and pollution. Surrounding greenery and open spaces were untapped assets.

I.HOUSE embraced the challenge, dubbing it the "Viet Tri House" project. Their deft renovations honored the original while optimizing space and connections. Living, dining, kitchen and garage remained intact, while the rear was radically reconfigured. Relocating the staircase to the front solved circulation issues and enabled cross-ventilation. The bold addition of lush hanging gardens along the western facade provided shade and a visual delight. Private rooms were pushed to the back for seclusion and comfort.

By embracing minimalism and natural materials like basalt and concrete, I.HOUSE created a tranquil oasis in the heart of the city. Strategic glass windows and doors framed verdant views and amplified natural light. The shifting interplay of light enhances the textural beauty of the entrance's floating basalt wall.

Far beyond a practical restoration, Viet Tri House embodies bespoke architectural poetry. Each space sings with harmony and flow, drawing residents and visitors closer to nature

through the interplay of volumes, materials and light. A serene urban refuge tuned to modern sensibilities while respecting cultural roots.

Design Team - Established in 2007, I.HOUSE Architecture & Construction pioneers Vietnam's architecture, interior design and construction, specializing in "Eco-minimalism". Obtaining intellectual property protection in 2012, its elegant, balanced and sustainable approach shapes living spaces by removing unnecessary elements for straightforward, cozy and tranquil environments.

I.HOUSE's studio fuels exploration where ideas are tested and new frontiers discovered. From brainstorming to models and eco-friendly innovations, architects unite to make their mark. The studio also houses the mission behind each project. From research to design, ideas transformed into built form - every step aims to construct unmatched "first places". Above all, the studio connects passionate teams who share ideas, thoughts and feedback to develop inspiring eco-minimalist architecture - the architecture of the future.