

Program Summary:

Newly constructed modern hotel designed to offer guests an escape from the standard narratives and materialism of society.

Program Statement:

Inspired by 'The Beat Generation', the hotel encourages guests to break from the standard of society, embark on a spiritual quest, and experiment with the elements found in nature - just as they are. The idea was to integrate harmonious natural elements within the space to give guests a sense of wellbeing in a comfortable, yet elevated atmosphere. A plunge pool, private outdoor showers, native meditation gardens and central fire pit bring guests together to explore new things. Embedded in these experiences are themes of engaging human senses and the concept of permaculture.

The property features four modern, floating cabins, each complete with wet bars and private, lush outdoor showers and lounge areas. The theme of senses is captured in the textures and materials used in each cabin, and across the property.

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Building Area: (sf)
2,160 SF

Cost per Square Foot:
N/A

Construction Cost
N/A

Date of Completion:
July 2020

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Context

The hotel is located in Ocean Springs, Mississippi along Porter Avenue.

While most of the city's hotels, restaurants, and local businesses are located downtown on Washington Avenue, the hotel is conveniently located between downtown and the nearby beach. The city recently took an initiative to further develop Porter Avenue as a gateway to downtown, a place to introduce visitors to the true Southern Hospitality and charm of interacting with the locals.



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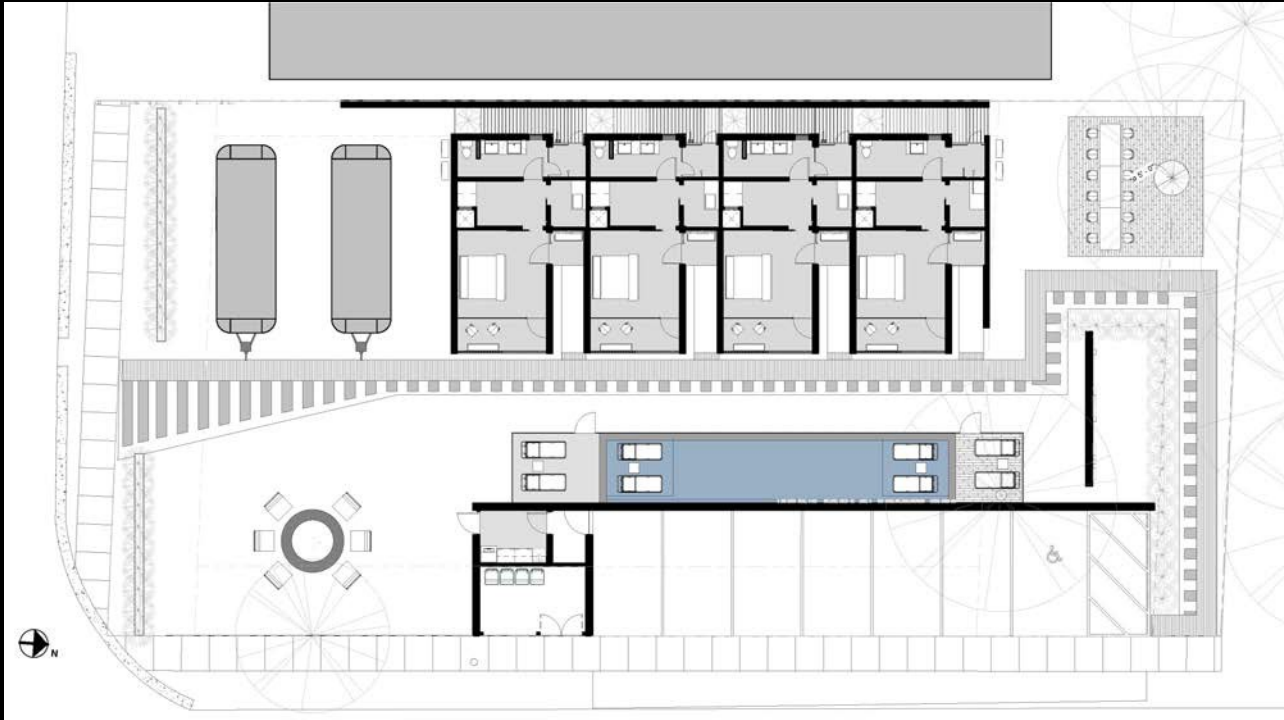
Site Plan

The property contains:

- + Four individual modern floating cabins
- + Communal dining area
- + Central Plunge Pool
- + Local Meditation Garden
- + Fire Pit
- + Maintenance storage room in a small, secluded building near pool
- + parking area
- + Pervious paved parking spots to aid in stormwater management

Floor Plan

Each of the four individual cabins are roughly 31x16 feet. All cabins have pristine views of the centralized plunge pool.



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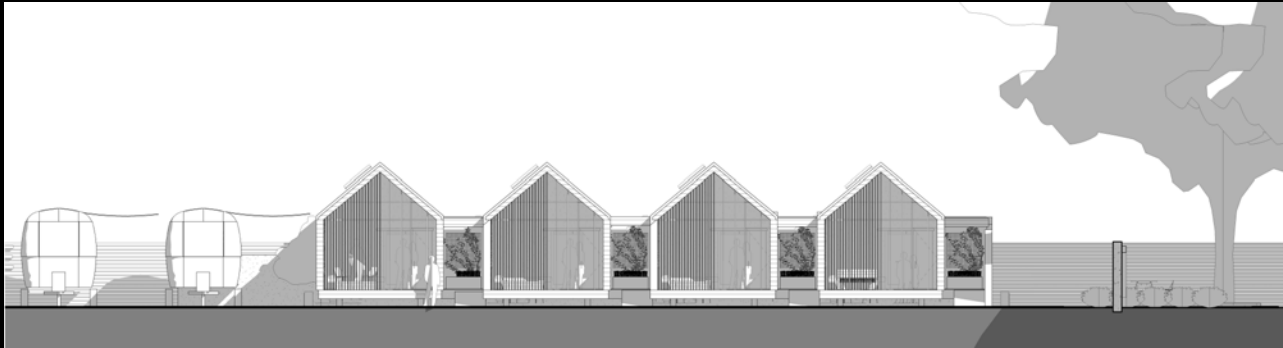
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Modern Floating Cabins

Each of the four cabins are uniformly covered in horizontal matte gray. Rain screen wood cladding on their exterior walls + roofs. The continuous cladding from the walls to the roof highlight the simple, modern cabin geometry.

The front facade of each cabin is comprised of a frameless, glass wall that extends from the floor and follows the angles of the roof.





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Front Facade

The four cabins are facing the communal plunge pool in the center of the property. To optimize views of the pool, the front facade is comprised of a frameless glass wall, extending from the floor to the ceiling.

All cabins are equipped with a private, screened in porch. The porch walls and vaulted ceiling are clad with natural warm Cypress wood.

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Bedroom

Each cabin interior follows the roof geometry, thus providing higher ceilings in the bedrooms.

The frameless, glass walls allow for unobstructed views of the pool and hotel amenities, and also fill the space with natural light.

All cabin interiors follow a natural + neutral color scheme that creates a seamless transition from exterior surroundings into the cabin.



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Reading Nook + Wet Bar

Between the bedroom and bathroom of each cabin, is a reading nook + wet bar for guests to enjoy.

The reading nook encourages guests to disconnect from electronics with their morning coffee, or end the night with a light read and nightcap.

Each wet bar incorporates terracotta or Moroccan tile for a subtle hint of color from the natural stones.



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Spa-Like Bathroom

A simple, bright, spa-like bathroom with natural light and raw elements brings a sense of cleanliness and relaxation to each cabin.

The stone vessel sink and walk in shower introduce raw materials that contrast yet compliment the space.



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Rear Deck

Private, lush outdoor showers invite guests to explore the option of bathing outside - something they wouldn't typically do at home. Hammocks are available for guests to enjoy fresh air and solitude.



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Plunge Pool

An onsite amenity guests can enjoy year-round. The perfect way to cool off on a hot summer day, or perhaps stay warm in the winter - as the water is kept at 80 degrees year-round.

The privacy wall provides guests with a sense of peaceful seclusion from the surrounding neighbors, allowing them to focus on their own self-care while disconnecting from everyday life.



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Fire Pit + Native Meditation Garden

A communal fire pit is centrally located on the property for guests to enjoy the natural element of fire while escaping from the pressures of everyday society. A place to warm up during the winter, share stories with fellow travelers, or enjoy fireside snacks.

The native meditation garden and landscaping serve welcoming vegetation to surrounding animal and insect species. Creating a space that will continue to serve its surrounding natural habitat rather than take away from it.



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Modern Floating Cabin Hotel

A secret coastal retreat from society,
taking nothing away and leaving
nothing behind.



Project Name:
402

Project Location:
Ocean Springs, Mississippi

Owner/Client:
Ocean Springs Collective

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