

## DESERT STAR CONSTRUCTION



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t is passion that fuels Jerry Meek, who has been instilled with a strong work ethic and an entrepreneurial spirit since childhood. He started his own tree-trimming business at age 14, founded his carpentry business at 19, and then became a general contractor in 1985. Today, Desert Star Construction is a family-owned business that provides clientele with unparalleled building services in an atmosphere of integrity.

The firm's outstanding reputation has been earned; Jerry's company is renowned for its impeccable, custom work performed throughout Paradise Valley and the north Scottsdale communities. Jerry collaborates with respected architects, interior designers, lighting designers and landscape architects throughout the region utilizing skilled craftsmen and suppliers from Arizona and around the world. The company delivers premier-quality residential construction services, and its true hallmark is an ability to create a diversity of styles. Commissions range from unique, private dwellings to luxurious Personal Resorts<sup>SM</sup> exceeding 40,000 square feet. Desert Star team members pride themselves on using state-of-the-art systems, innovative technologies and beautiful, authentic materials. But it is Jerry's expert eye for flawless detail and uncompromising craftsmanship that has kept his firm brightly shining for more than three decades.



"The design goal must be a true reflection of the owners; crafting unique, innovative homes, while building relationships with passion and integrity defines the creative process.

—Jerry Meek



## Desert Star Construction

"We believe in building green, so homeowners can live green."

—Jerry Meek

RIGHT & PREVIOUS PAGES: We created an Italian villa ambience through Old World architecture and authentic materials, both in the interior rooms and exterior façade. We used reclaimed wood beams, recycled interior and exterior doors, imported flooring and ancient roof tiles for the home and sourced many stone artifacts for fountains and water features. The exterior is augmented with Italian plaster and limestone, in keeping with the Tuscan aesthetic. We constructed the energy-efficient home using eco-alternative Rastra, a sustainable, recycled material that offers superior insulation and a high fire rating; the walls are of varied thicknesses ideal for architectural massing. Our homes are meant to last for generations and we use green elements whenever possible. Architecture by Oz Architects. Interior design by Karen Rapp Interiors.

Photographs by Mark Boisclair







ABOVE: We renovated a contemporary home set on a hillside with limited accessibility. A complex, cantilevered roof structure was erected to allow for automated sliding doors; homeowners now enjoy a 270-degree mountain view from the master bedroom. We added a spa and fire pit surrounded by natural stone with an invisible-edge swimming pool for a refreshing oasis. Cutting-edge technology is used in every home so homeowners find it easy to manage. Architecture by Christy Wareing. Interior design by David Michael Miller.

Photograph by Bill Timmerman







ABOVE TOP & BOTTOM: The recreational basement features a colorful children's playroom with guest bleachers and built-in storage. We worked with the interior designer who incorporated a wall mural, checkerboard tile, pinwheel rugs and fabric sail ceilings. The old-time streetscape was built onsite by our craftsmen to create a colorful storefront for each child. We also constructed an adjacent movie theater complete with lobby and ticket booth, a game room and fitness center for more family fun. Architecture by The Coffman Group. Interior design by Elizabeth Rosensteel Design.

Photographs by Robert Reck









## "The bookends of success are starting with a plan and finishing to perfection.

—Jerry Meek





ABOVE LEFT & RIGHT: We assembled the imported, oversized stone mantel in the living room, and the artisan-made wrought iron handrail was also created onsite. Venetian plaster walls and handscraped hardwood floors are a seamless backdrop for our custom focal points. We installed a handcarved stone hood and surround with backsplash for Old World charm while hand-scraped walnut floors complement the ceiling's hewn wood beams. Architecture by Dick Reece. Interior design by Bruce Stadola.

Photographs by Mark Boisclair

FACING PAGE TOP: Our team built a high-tech fitness room with a European feel. We placed operable steel-sash, putty-glazed casement windows in the center of the space for proper ventilation. The window walls provide breathtaking mountain views. Architecture by Oz Architects. Interior design by Vallone Design and Karen Rapp Interiors.

Photograph by Mark Boisclair

FACING PAGE BOTTOM: A newly constructed traditional kitchen features reclaimed beams, wide-plank English oak floors, steel windows and a poured zinc countertop for refined beauty and longevity. Architecture by Peterson Architecture. Interior design by Vallone Design.

Photograph by Dino Tonn

PREVIOUS PAGES: Our dream team can build the extraordinary. Beyond custom homes, we specialize in Personal Resorts<sup>SM</sup> with all of the amenities one would find in a five-star property away from home. Ideal for formal entertaining, the rural Mediterranean-inspired estate includes the spacious main residence, a 16-car garage for the homeowner-collector, a detached guesthouse, and a tennis and pool pavilion with convenient outdoor shower. Artfully landscaped grounds sport a putting green, tee boxes, regulation tennis court, classic lap pool and spa amid manicured lawns and stone walkways for the ultimate desert escape. Architecture by Candelaria Design. Landscape architecture by Berghoff Design Group. Interior design by Bruce Stadola.

Photograph by AZ Chopper Cam





"Using authentic materials creates an ambience true to the home's architectural aesthetic."

—Jerry Meek

LEFT: Inspired by a Mediterranean materials palette, our craftsmen constructed the façade using reclaimed stone window and door surrounds, wood beams and clay roof tiles from France; even antique stairs have new castings of period railings for authenticity. All of the steel windows were putty-glazed onsite to bring a genuine European look. We are passionate about meticulous attention to detail. Our quality assurance means building it right the first time. Architecture by Oz Architects. Interior design by Vallone Design and Karen Rapp Interiors.

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