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## A Note from Christopher Lowell

As millions of Americans now look to designers of their favorite hospitality spaces for home inspiration, we at Christopher Lowell's were delighted to be asked to join the dedicated Shade team.

We were honored to develop a mission statement for the project, and to see those ideas come to fruition. The result reflects a timeless and serene oasis that will be as classic and inspirational decades from now as it is today.

Our intention was to weave technology with nature's ancient and organic elements. Together, the seemingly opposed, fuses in a harmonious blend of sanctuary and simplicity, comfort and convenience. And just for pure pleasure—surprises tucked here and there.

Exotic bamboos, river rock, falling waters and fire are contained with stainless steel accents reflected in shoji screen windows--set in mahogany. These are the elements that give our guests the essence of gliding through another world on a luxurious yacht. We've taken great care to making guest accommodations all about the details. Luxurious enough for her yet tailored enough for him, each sequestered environment offers a sensual experience that invites solitude.

Once aboard, high thread count sheets; plasma screens against silk-like walls, in-room espresso machines, deep soaking tubs and impeccable service are but a few of the private spa-like amenities.

Beyond it's obvious pleasures, the Shade experience is designed to educate and spark creativity. Guests seeking a timeless, flexible lifestyle that reflects all their sensibilities equally, take note. Implemented within Shade's concept are foretelling glimpses of how the American home will look in the very near future.

As Shade becomes the nucleus of exclusive Manhattan Beach, California, we hope our efforts encourage guests and residents to meet in an atmosphere of seaside chic.

Come in out of the sun into our Shade—it's an experience for all senses.

Enjoy!

Christopher Lowell