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VILLA EB

Bolzano, Italy

Found among one of the most picturesque landscapes, House EB pays homage to the surrounding mountains, vineyards and small forests that make up the Bolzano's environment. The new home derives from a renovation of an old villa that was first built in the early 60s.

"Villa EB is a semi-detached residence created after a complex renovation of an old villa built in the early 1960s. Although the previous residence had high living standards and it was built with top-quality materials and finishes, it however showed all the limitations of a house designed according to the canons of the time, for example: a very closed envelope, with a very low ratio between glass surfaces and solid walls, with few views of the landscape and very low ceilings", Founding Partner and Architect at monovolume architecture + design Patrik Pedo, begins. Hence, the brief for the design was basically a response to what the original home lacked or poorly took advantage of. With this in mind, the architecture lets the mountains guide the way and installs glazed windows in mostly every inch that overlooks the landscape. Interestingly, the roof seems to imitate a hill's shape as it descends on one side of the property. From standing on the balcony of the upper floor, one can clearly see the resemblance. "The wish of the new owners was to have a place where the house would be embedded with the surrounding space such as: the garden surrounding the house, the nearby woods, and above all able to blend in with the surrounding landscape without sacrificing modern lines and large windows that allow the view to be enjoyed from different angles", Patrik says. From a "leaf" perforated metal sheet that captures the essence of light, to an infinity pool watching over the sublime mountainscape, Villa EB is a contemporary home that continues to amaze any visitor.

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