

The American House

Unveiling the Energy of Verbal Art: An Emotional Sojourn through **The American House**

In a world inundated with screens and the cacophony of quick conversation, the profound power and mental resonance of verbal artistry usually disappear in to obscurity, eclipsed by the regular assault of sound and distractions. However, located within the lyrical pages of **The American House**, a charming work of fictional beauty that impulses with fresh emotions, lies an wonderful trip waiting to be embarked upon. Penned with a virtuoso wordsmith, that magical opus courses readers on a psychological odyssey, softly exposing the latent possible and profound affect embedded within the intricate internet of language. Within the heart-wrenching expanse of the evocative examination, we can embark upon an introspective exploration of the book is key styles, dissect its captivating writing type, and immerse ourselves in the indelible effect it leaves upon the depths of readers souls.

American Nightmares Dale Bailey 2011-06
When Edgar Allan Poe set down the tale of the accursed House of Usher in 1839, he also laid the foundation for a literary tradition that has assumed a lasting role in American culture. "The House of Usher" and its literary progeny have not lacked for tenants in the century and a half since: writers from Nathaniel Hawthorne to Stephen King have taken rooms in the haunted houses of American fiction. Dale Bailey traces the haunted house tale from its origins in English gothic fiction to the paperback potboilers of the present, highlighting the unique significance of the house in the domestic, economic, and social ideologies of our nation. The author concludes that the haunted house has become a powerful and profoundly subversive symbol of everything that has gone nightmarishly awry in the American Dream.

The Vintage House Book Tad Burness 2003
Shows over 2,500 images of classic American homes and architecture, from the 1880s to the 1980s.

The Palace Or the Poorhouse Jan Cohn 1979

The American House today Katherine Morrow Ford 1954

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Creating the Not So Big House Sarah Susanka 2000 Offers a look at twenty-five examples of small designs to show readers what they need to know to plan the home that best fits their goals and lifestyles.

American House Now Susan Doubilet 2002 "The houses in this volume share a common point of origin: all draw upon the established principles of American Modernism. At the same time, they differ markedly from one another and in so doing demonstrate the diversity implicit in that style. At one end of the spectrum are the cerebral, unviolated sculptural forms of Richard Meier's Grotta House; at the other end is the rugged expressionism of Eric Owen Moss's Lawson/Western House. The collection represents both established American architects, such as Meier and John Lautner; such internationally known contemporaries as Stephen Holt, Mark Mack, and Arquitectonica; and newcomers Carlos Zapata and UKZ."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by

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The American House Styles of Architecture Coloring Book A. G. Smith 1983-01-01 "Noted illustrator A. G. Smith has rendered over 40 extant structures in crisp, detailed drawings. Ranging from the Taos Pueblo ... to a striking contemporary design ..., the houses represent a host of native and European-inspired styles"-- Back cover.

The Death and Life of Great American Cities

Jane Jacobs 2016-07-20 Thirty years after its publication, *The Death and Life of Great American Cities* was described by *The New York Times* as "perhaps the most influential single work in the history of town planning....[It] can also be seen in a much larger context. It is first of all a work of literature; the descriptions of street life as a kind of ballet and the biting satiric account of traditional planning theory can still be read for pleasure even by those who long ago absorbed and appropriated the book's arguments." Jane Jacobs, an editor and writer on architecture in New York City in the early sixties, argued that urban diversity and vitality were being destroyed by powerful architects and city planners. Rigorous, sane, and delightfully epigrammatic, Jacobs's small masterpiece is a blueprint for the humanistic management of cities. It is sensible, knowledgeable, readable, indispensable. The author has written a new foreword for this Modern Library edition.

American House Styles John Milnes Baker 1994 How and where did different architectural styles develop?

Inventing the New American House Stuart Cohen 2015-04-14 Howard Van Doren Shaw designed stately country houses in and around Chicago—from affluent Lake Forest, Illinois, and Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, to Iowa, Minnesota, Ohio, and Indiana—from 1894 to 1926, a period in American architecture that spanned the Gilded Age, the adoption of Beaux-Arts classicism as the ideal for civic architecture, the invention of the skyscraper, and the beginning of modernism. Born in 1869, he worked for the leading industrialists of that period, including Reuben H. Donnelley of printing fame, newspaper giant Joseph Medill Patterson, Edward Forster Swift, the meatpacking king, and Edward L. Ryerson of Ryerson Steel. A

contemporary of Frank Lloyd Wright, Shaw explored many of the same ideas as the Prairie School Architects within the forms of traditional architecture. Though he was recognized as one of the leading country house architects of the early twentieth century, his name was largely forgotten after his death. Like many traditional architects practicing today, Shaw was skilled at adapting historic precedents to suit contemporary living, in particular the easy flow of interior space that became a design hallmark of the period for traditionalists and modernists alike. For the new and fashionable suburb of Lake Forest, Shaw created Market Square, the town center, which was lauded for its design as both a unique town green and the first American shopping center designed to accommodate automobiles. This timely reappraisal of Howard Van Doren Shaw's work features many previously unpublished images from the Shaw Archive in the Burnham and Ryerson Library at the Art Institute of Chicago and the Chicago History Museum, rare construction drawings, and new color photography as well as a catalogue of Shaw's residential work. His legacy includes substantial houses in prosperous communities, many of which are still standing—including Ragdale, once Shaw's own summer house in Lake Forest, now home to the prestigious artists' community; the Becker Estate on Chicago's North Shore; and The Hermann House overlooking Lake Michigan.

One Hundred Years of the American House 1957

The Classical American House 2017-09 Forming part of its Classical Architecture Collection, this latest compilation volume by IMAGES, *The Classical American House*, reveals an enticing glimpse into the exquisite architectural works of innovative and skilled contemporary classicists.

The American House Phaidon Press 2008-10-15 Presents a guide to one hundred iconic houses, from the thirteenth century to the present day.

The American Country House Clive Aslet 2004-01-01 This magnificent book describes the great country houses built with American industrial fortunes from the end of the Civil War until 1940. *The American Country House* draws on the rich and often amusing writings of contemporaries to evoke the lives the buildings

served as well as architectural shapes they took. 275 illustrations.

Black Neighbors Elisabeth Lasch-Quinn 2017-10-06 Professing a policy of cultural and social integration, the American settlement house movement made early progress in helping immigrants adjust to life in American cities. However, when African Americans migrating from the rural South in the early twentieth century began to replace white immigrants in settlement environs, most houses failed to redirect their efforts toward their new neighbors. Nationally, the movement did not take a concerted stand on the issue of race until after World War II. In *Black Neighbors*, Elisabeth Lasch-Quinn analyzes this reluctance of the mainstream settlement house movement to extend its programs to African American communities, which, she argues, were assisted instead by a variety of alternative organizations. Lasch-Quinn recasts the traditional definitions, periods, and regional divisions of settlement work and uncovers a vast settlement movement among African Americans. By placing community work conducted by the YWCA, black women's clubs, religious missions, southern industrial schools, and other organizations within the settlement tradition, she highlights their significance as well as the mainstream movement's failure to recognize the enormous potential in alliances with these groups. Her analysis fundamentally revises our understanding of the role that race has played in American social reform.

The Abrams Guide to American House Styles William Morgan 2008-04-01 A tour of the approximately twenty styles of domestic architecture common to the United States identifies and defines each style--including Colonial, Craftsman, Modern, and Deco--providing historical summaries, sample photographs, and regional information. 20,000 first printing.

Evicted Matthew Desmond 2017-02-28 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • WINNER OF THE PULITZER PRIZE • NAMED ONE OF TIME'S TEN BEST NONFICTION BOOKS OF THE DECADE • One of the most acclaimed books of our time, this modern classic "has set a new standard for reporting on poverty" (Barbara Ehrenreich, *The New York Times Book Review*).

In *Evicted*, Princeton sociologist and MacArthur "Genius" Matthew Desmond follows eight families in Milwaukee as they each struggle to keep a roof over their heads. Hailed as "wrenching and revelatory" (*The Nation*), "vivid and unsettling" (*New York Review of Books*), *Evicted* transforms our understanding of poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving one of twenty-first-century America's most devastating problems. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible. NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY President Barack Obama • *The New York Times Book Review* • *The Boston Globe* • *The Washington Post* • NPR • *Entertainment Weekly* • *The New Yorker* • *Bloomberg* • *Esquire* • *BuzzFeed* • *Fortune* • *San Francisco Chronicle* • *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* • *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* • *Politico* • *The Week* • *Chicago Public Library* • *BookPage* • *Kirkus Reviews* • *Library Journal* • *Publishers Weekly* • *Booklist* • *Shelf Awareness* WINNER OF: The National Book Critics Circle Award for Nonfiction • The PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award for Nonfiction • The Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction • The Hillman Prize for Book Journalism • The PEN/New England Award • The Chicago Tribune Heartland Prize FINALIST FOR THE LOS ANGELES TIMES BOOK PRIZE AND THE KIRKUS PRIZE "Evicted stands among the very best of the social justice books."—Ann Patchett, author of *Bel Canto* and *Commonwealth* "Gripping and moving—tragic, too."—Jesmyn Ward, author of *Salvage the Bones* "Evicted is that rare work that has something genuinely new to say about poverty."—*San Francisco Chronicle*

Creative Haven The American House Architecture Coloring Book A. G. Smith 2016-05-18 Thirty-one illustrations showcase the rich and varied architecture of residential homes across the United States. Arranged chronologically, the detailed drawings range from the saltbox house to the contemporary. Originally published as *The American House: Styles of Architecture*.

The House on Mango Street Sandra Cisneros 2013-04-30 NATIONAL BESTSELLER • A coming-of-age classic, acclaimed by critics,

beloved by readers of all ages, taught in schools and universities alike, and translated around the world—from the winner of the 2019 PEN/Nabokov Award for Achievement in International Literature. The House on Mango Street is the remarkable story of Esperanza Cordero, a young Latina girl growing up in Chicago, inventing for herself who and what she will become. Told in a series of vignettes—sometimes heartbreaking, sometimes deeply joyous—Sandra Cisneros' masterpiece is a classic story of childhood and self-discovery. Few other books in our time have touched so many readers. "Cisneros draws on her rich [Latino]

heritage...and seduces with precise, spare prose, creat[ing] unforgettable characters we want to lift off the page. She is not only a gifted writer, but an absolutely essential one." —The New York Times Book Review

The American House Today, Etc. [With Illustrations.] afterwards FORD MORROW (and CREIGHTON (Thomas Hawk), Katherine) 1951

The American House 1944

The American House; Being a Collection of Illustrations & Plans of the Best Country & Suburban Houses Built in the United States During the Last Few Years Charles S. Keefe 2020-05-05 This book has been considered by academicians and scholars of great significance and value to literature. This forms a part of the knowledge base for future generations. So that the book is never forgotten we have represented this book in a print format as the same form as it was originally first published. Hence any marks or annotations seen are left intentionally to preserve its true nature.

The American House Robin Langley Sommer 2000 A pictorial history of American domestic architecture that covers English Colonial styles; European influences; frontier and folk housing; mansions, estates, and plantations; vernacular styles; the Victorian Era; and early Modernism, with historical overviews for each period.

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This American House Jason Loper 2021 Long before designing his signature Usonian houses, Frank Lloyd Wright envisioned an earlier series of affordable models for the middle class: The American System-Built Homes. He developed seven floorplans of varying size and layout, standardized so that materials could be pre-cut at the factory to reduce costs. Only a few years after the project began, the United States entered World War I, and all home construction was stalled due to lumber shortages. Wright then turned his attention to other projects, and with fewer than twenty built, the American System-Built Homes were all but forgotten. In 2011, Jason Loper and Michael Schreiber purchased the only American System-Built Home constructed in Iowa, the Meier House, which set them on a course of refurbishing and researching their new residence. In *This American House*, Loper and Schreiber trace the history of the Meier House through its previous owners, and shed light on this underexplored period of Wright's oeuvre. With a preface by John H. Waters, the Preservation Programs Manager of the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy, *This American House* addresses what it means to be the stewards of a piece of history.

The American House Hannah Jenkins 2017-09-27 "Collection of contemporary residential designs seen across the United States today ... [with] residential designs by leading architects from across the United States, illuminated with rarely seen photographs and detailed plans, and underlines the sensitivity of today's architects to the natural environment, as well as the care and attention paid to interior

design and everyday living. Each project illustrates how architects adapt their designs to accommodate the challenges posed by the local topography and variations in climate, along with a sharp focus on optimum strategies for sustainable living, be it across small, boutique projects, to large-scale, luxury abodes"--provided by publisher.

Dream House Ulysses Grant Dietz 2009
Recognizable to millions as a symbol of the American presidency, the White House was first an American home. From 1800 until 1960, it kept pace with changing ideals of the American house and garden. That ended when Jacqueline Kennedy redecorated the White House as a museum to upper-class taste. Today the Obamas are pulling it back to its role as an American home. This book looks at the president's house in the context of American house design and decoration. Hundreds of historic photographs, plans, and drawings compare it to other American houses, gardens, and interiors, showing the White House as it changed through decades of interior renovation, rebuilding, and landscaping.--From publisher description.

American Grown Michelle Obama 2012-05-29
#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The former First Lady, author of *Becoming*, and producer and star of *Waffles + Mochi* tells the inspirational story of the White House Kitchen Garden and how gardens can transform our lives and the health of our communities. Early in her tenure as First Lady, despite being a novice gardener, Michelle Obama planted a kitchen garden on the White House's South Lawn. To her delight, she watched as fresh vegetables, fruit, and herbs sprouted from the ground. Soon the White House Kitchen Garden inspired a new conversation all across the country about the food we feed our families and the impact it has on the nutrition and well-being of our children. In *American Grown*, Mrs. Obama invites you inside the White House Kitchen Garden, from the first planting to the satisfaction of the seasonal harvest. She reveals her early worries and struggles—would the new plants even grow?—and her joy as lettuce, corn, tomatoes, collards and kale, sweet potatoes and rhubarb flourished in the freshly tilled soil. She shares the stories of other gardens that have moved and inspired her on her journey across the nation.

And she offers what she learned about planting your own backyard, school, or community garden. *American Grown* features: • a behind-the-scenes look at every season of the garden's growth • unique recipes created by White House chefs • striking original photographs that bring the White House garden to life • a fascinating history of community gardens in the United States From a modern-day vegetable truck that brings fresh produce to underserved communities in Chicago, to Houston office workers who make the sidewalk bloom, to a New York City school that created a scented garden for the visually impaired, to a garden in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, that devotes its entire harvest to those less fortunate, *American Grown* isn't just the story of a single garden. It's a celebration of the bounty of our nation and a reminder of what we can all grow together.

American Lion Jon Meacham 2009-04-30
The definitive biography of a larger-than-life president who defied norms, divided a nation, and changed Washington forever Andrew Jackson, his intimate circle of friends, and his tumultuous times are at the heart of this remarkable book about the man who rose from nothing to create the modern presidency. Beloved and hated, venerated and reviled, Andrew Jackson was an orphan who fought his way to the pinnacle of power, bending the nation to his will in the cause of democracy. Jackson's election in 1828 ushered in a new and lasting era in which the people, not distant elites, were the guiding force in American politics. Democracy made its stand in the Jackson years, and he gave voice to the hopes and the fears of a restless, changing nation facing challenging times at home and threats abroad. To tell the saga of Jackson's presidency, acclaimed author Jon Meacham goes inside the Jackson White House. Drawing on newly discovered family letters and papers, he details the human drama—the family, the women, and the inner circle of advisers— that shaped Jackson's private world through years of storm and victory. One of our most significant yet dimly recalled presidents, Jackson was a battle-hardened warrior, the founder of the Democratic Party, and the architect of the presidency as we know it. His story is one of violence, sex, courage, and tragedy. With his powerful persona, his evident

bravery, and his mystical connection to the people, Jackson moved the White House from the periphery of government to the center of national action, articulating a vision of change that challenged entrenched interests to heed the popular will— or face his formidable wrath. The greatest of the presidents who have followed Jackson in the White House—from Lincoln to Theodore Roosevelt to FDR to Truman—have found inspiration in his example, and virtue in his vision. Jackson was the most contradictory of men. The architect of the removal of Indians from their native lands, he was warmly sentimental and risked everything to give more power to ordinary citizens. He was, in short, a lot like his country: alternately kind and vicious, brilliant and blind; and a man who fought a lifelong war to keep the republic safe—no matter what it took.

The Iconic American House Dominic Bradbury 2020-10-06 A compendium of the most innovative and influential residential buildings in the United States since the beginning of the twentieth century, illustrated with over 400 color photographs. Some of the world's greatest architects, including Walter Gropius, Frank Lloyd Wright, and Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, have used their talents to create groundbreaking innovations in American residential architecture over the past 120 years. Though wide-ranging in style, these houses share a remarkable sensitivity to site and context; appreciation of local materials; experimentation with form, materials, and technology; and understanding of clients' needs. Spanning the length and breadth of the United States, *The Iconic American House* features fifty of the most important, timeless, and recognizable houses designed since 1900. With concise, informative text and fresh, vibrant illustrations, this book presents a lavish array of architectural masterpieces designed by architects such as Philip Johnson, Richard Neutra, Peter Eisenman, and Thomas Gluck. Specially commissioned and stunning photographs, floor plans, drawings, and architect biographies ensure that this book is perfect for students, professionals, design aficionados, and anyone who dreams of building a house of their own.

The American House of Saud Steven Emerson 1985-04-01 An examination of Saudi Arabia and

its immense clout in the United States and throughout the Western world thanks to its petrodollars wealth and control of a huge proportion of the world's petroleum.

Caste Isabel Wilkerson 2020-08-04 #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • OPRAH'S BOOK CLUB PICK • "An instant American classic and almost certainly the keynote nonfiction book of the American century thus far."—Dwight Garner, *The New York Times* The Pulitzer Prize-winning, bestselling author of *The Warmth of Other Suns* examines the unspoken caste system that has shaped America and shows how our lives today are still defined by a hierarchy of human divisions. #1 NONFICTION BOOK OF THE YEAR: *Time* ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR: *The Washington Post*, *The New York Times*, *Los Angeles Times*, *The Boston Globe*, *O: The Oprah Magazine*, NPR, Bloomberg, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *New York Post*, *The New York Public Library*, *Fortune*, *Smithsonian Magazine*, *Marie Claire*, *Slate*, *Library Journal*, *Kirkus Reviews* Winner of the Carl Sandberg Literary Award • Winner of the Los Angeles Times Book Prize • National Book Award Longlist • National Book Critics Circle Award Finalist • Dayton Literary Peace Prize Finalist • PEN/John Kenneth Galbraith Award for Nonfiction Finalist • PEN/Jean Stein Book Award Longlist • Kirkus Prize Finalist "As we go about our daily lives, caste is the wordless usher in a darkened theater, flashlight cast down in the aisles, guiding us to our assigned seats for a performance. The hierarchy of caste is not about feelings or morality. It is about power—which groups have it and which do not." In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched, and beautifully written narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings. Beyond race, class, or other factors, there is a powerful caste system that influences people's lives and behavior and the nation's fate. Linking the caste systems of America, India, and Nazi Germany, Wilkerson explores eight pillars that underlie caste systems across civilizations, including divine will, bloodlines, stigma, and more. Using

riveting stories about people—including Martin Luther King, Jr., baseball's Satchel Paige, a single father and his toddler son, Wilkerson herself, and many others—she shows the ways that the insidious undertow of caste is experienced every day. She documents how the Nazis studied the racial systems in America to plan their outcasting of the Jews; she discusses why the cruel logic of caste requires that there be a bottom rung for those in the middle to measure themselves against; she writes about the surprising health costs of caste, in depression and life expectancy, and the effects of this hierarchy on our culture and politics. Finally, she points forward to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions, toward hope in our common humanity. Original and revealing, *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* is an eye-opening story of people and history, and a reexamination of what lies under the surface of ordinary lives and of American life today.

The American House Charles S. Keefe 1922

American House Styles John Milnes Baker 1994 How and where did different architectural styles develop? America has an abundance of fascinating and varied house styles, as fascinating and diverse as its people.

House of Sticks Ly Tran 2022-05-10 An intimate, beautifully written coming-of-age memoir—a young girl's journey from war-torn Vietnam to Ridgewood, Queens, and her struggle to find her voice amid clashing cultural expectations. Ly Tran is just a toddler in 1993 when she and her family emigrate from a small town along the Mekong River in Vietnam to a two-bedroom railroad apartment in Ridgewood, Queens. Ly's father, a former lieutenant in the South Vietnamese army, spent nearly a decade as a POW, and their resettlement is made possible through a humanitarian program run by the US government. Soon after they arrive, Ly joins her parents and three older brothers in sewing ties and cummerbunds piecemeal on their living room floor to make ends meet. As they navigate this new landscape, Ly finds herself torn between two worlds. She knows she must honor her parents' Buddhist faith and contribute to the family livelihood, working long hours at home and then later as a manicurist alongside her mother at a nail salon in

Brownsville, Brooklyn, which her parents eventually take over. But at school, Ly feels the mounting pressure to blend in. A growing inability to see the blackboard presents new challenges, especially when her father forbids her from getting glasses, calling her diagnosis of poor vision a government conspiracy. His frightening temper and paranoia leave an indelible mark on Ly's sense of self. Who is she outside of everything her family expects of her? Told in a spare, evocative voice that, with flashes of humor, weaves together her family's immigration experience with her own fraught and courageous coming-of-age, *House of Sticks* is a timely and powerful portrait of one girl's struggle to reckon with her heritage and forge her own path. --

The American House Mary Mix Foley 1981 More than three hundred historically accurate line drawings highlight this concise, informative guide to the styles and history of American houses from pre-Revolutionary days to the present.

Fixer-Upper Jenny Schuetz 2022-02-22 Practical ideas to provide affordable housing to more Americans Much ink has been spilled in recent years talking about political divides and inequality in the United States. But these discussions too often miss one of the most important factors in the divisions among Americans: the fundamentally unequal nature of the nation's housing systems. Financially well-off Americans can afford comfortable, stable homes in desirable communities. Millions of other Americans cannot. And this divide deepens other inequalities. Increasingly, important life outcomes—performance in school, employment, even life expectancy—are determined by where people live and the quality of homes they live in. Unequal housing systems didn't just emerge from natural economic and social forces. Public policies enacted by federal, state, and local governments helped create and reinforce the bad housing outcomes endured by too many people. Taxes, zoning, institutional discrimination, and the location and quality of schools, roads, public transit, and other public services are among the policies that created inequalities in the nation's housing patterns. *Fixer-Upper* is the first book assessing how the broad set of local, state, and national housing

policies affect people and communities. It does more than describe how yesterday's policies led to today's problems. It proposes practical policy changes that can make stable, decent-quality housing more available and affordable for all Americans in all communities. Fixing systemic problems that arose over decades won't be easy, in large part because millions of middle-class Americans benefit from the current system and feel threatened by potential changes. But Fixer-Upper suggests ideas for building political coalitions among diverse groups that share common interests in putting better housing within reach for more Americans, building a more equitable and healthy country.

The American Heritage History of Notable American Houses Marshall B. Davidson 1971
Tells the story of life in America in terms of the houses Americans have planned, built, and lived in. From this we can reconstruct the growth of ideas, of cultural patterns, and of practical expedients that have led to the problems and possibilities that are our present inheritance.

The Big House George Howe Colt 2012-08-07
Faced with the sale of the century-old family summer house on Cape Cod where he had spent forty-two summers, George Howe Colt recounts returning for one last stay with his wife and children in this stunning memoir that was a National Book Award Finalist and a New York Times Notable Book of the Year. This poignant tribute to the eleven-bedroom jumble of gables, bays, and dormers that watched over weddings, divorces, deaths, anniversaries, birthdays, breakdowns, and love affairs for five generations interweaves Colt's final visit with memories of a lifetime of summers. Run-down yet romantic, The Big House stands not only as a cherished reminder of summer's ephemeral pleasures but also as a powerful symbol of a vanishing way of life.

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