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## ROCK SOLID

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EMBEDDED IN THE BOULDERS AT THE FOOT OF APACHE PEAK, THE DESERT CONTEMPORARY HOUSE REVELS IN THE RIDGES AS IT OFFERS A PRIVATE AND PANORAMIC WINDOW ON THE WORLD. The vacation home in Desert Mountain's Apache Peak village watches the lights of Phoenix twinkle like celestial stars, and when it tires of that view, it turns its all-seeing, wide-eyed windows to the ravishing ranges as they turn to turquoise.

"We set the house right in the rock because Apache Peak has giant boulders, and we wanted it to blend in," says Lisa Tate, president of Scottsdale-based Platinum Homes. "The idea was to merge the indoors with the outdoors." Great effort was made to preserve the rock and the integrity of the site, the

**ARCHITECTS** Bing Hu, AIA and Rong Pan, AIA

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**BEDROOMS** 4 **BATHROOMS** 5 **SQUARE FEET** 6,597





#### TABLE SETTING

The kitchen features a waterfall-style island and a breakfast nook with table and chairs to complement it. The microwave and warming drawer are set into the wall like artwork.