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Sometimes the best ideas spring from a bit of healthy competition, which holds true for Jamie Farmer and Scott Payne, founders and principals at Farmer Payne Architects, a Jackson Hole-based residential firm, with additional locations in Sun Valley, Idaho, and Shreveport, Louisiana. The two met earlier in their career and instantly recognized a shared work ethic. “As project managers, we were competitive, always wanting to push the envelope and test each other’s creativity,” Payne says. The two became

fast friends, and soon, business partners. Together, they take an innovative approach to their craft, ensuring clients remain fully engaged every step of the way. “We know what to put in front of our clients to spark inspiration,” Farmer says, noting that this enables them to cater to a wide range of projects. Farmer Payne Architects also prides itself on building a strong team. “We’re all about getting the right people together,” they say. “It takes a village.”

“We thoughtfully design spaces and forms that **enrich the lives and experiences** of our clients.”

EDGING AHEAD

As pioneers of residential architectural design, Farmer Payne aims to create timeless multigenerational homes. Here’s a glimpse into the team’s approach.

- **Three-dimensional technology:**

The firm relies on three-dimensional software to bring projects to life, enabling clients to better visualize, and share, their future homes.

- **Concept sketches:**

The team never underestimates the power of putting pen to paper, so ideas progress organically in early stages.

- **Vendor relationships:**

Farmer Payne establishes lasting vendor relationships built on trust, opening doors to access the latest products on the market.

MAKING A STATEMENT

“The **fundamentals of design** guide our approach while **quality, simplicity and personal collaboration** compose our values. We believe the best designs are achieved when a team of **creators, users, planners, and builders** is assembled, and pride ourselves on **engaging and enhancing** these relationships.”

Top: Situated on a butte, this home faces the valley, while also offering views of the Teton Range. Windows were thoughtfully placed to maximize the views.

Top: Photography by David Agnello

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