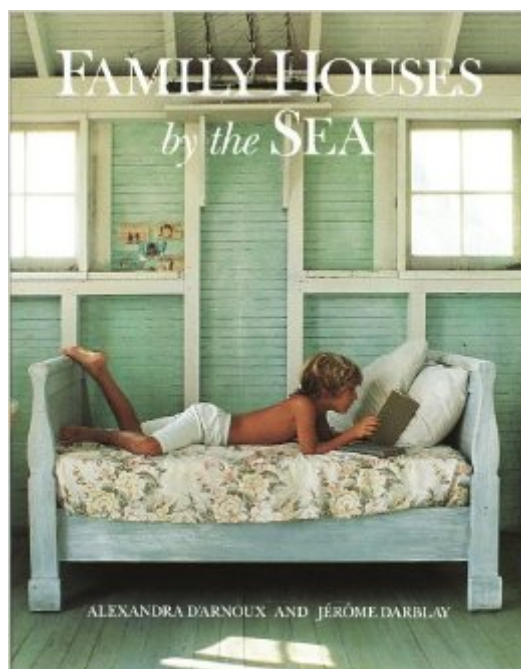


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# Family Houses By The Sea



## Synopsis

With its unforgettable images of oceanfront vistas and creative decorating details, *Family Houses by the Sea* invites us to sample the gracious possibilities of living within reach of a gentle offshore breeze. The book's beautiful photographs capture the varied but always engaging personalities of seaside homes around the world. Illustrations.

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And therein lies the beauty of this book. Yes, some of the homes are older & some are rustic-but there's the sleek & contemporary too. In other words, something for everyone who loves to live by the water (or wishes they did). Buy this book to appreciate the different ways to express loving the natural light & atmosphere in a home that is reflective of the sea. You may not get *Decorating Lessons 1-100* - but that's not the point. You can escape thru this book, dream thru it, share it, admire those who have created beautiful spaces in beautiful places - without displaying every obvious "seaside" nic-nac but with much good taste & class. Buy it for those pleasures & of knowing that kind of life does exist & can be lived by those to whom it means the most. To the authors - a beautiful volume - thank you for seeking these places out & creating an arm chair trip to some incredibly beautiful spots by the water.

A beautiful book that captures what it feels, smells and looks like to live by the sea. If you want glitzy resort style houses then this book is not for you. The houses shown are not show cases for a glossy

magazine but places filled with memories and life. It's my favourite beach house book.

This book was my inspiration for a beach house I just finished completely cosmetically rehabilitating. The book took me all the way through the process by stimulating me with the beautiful visuals of its photos. I would look through it repeatedly, looking one time at flooring, another at windows, and so on, depending on where I was in my rehab process. I can't imagine it not being a superb stimulus for anyone.

You won't find help in finding or creating your own house by the sea in this book, but you'll get to look at lovely examples of other people's seaside homes. Depending on your mood or income, this may be relaxing -- or drive you mad with jealousy.

I read a previous review and agree that this book is beautiful -- I have given 2 copies as gifts to friends -- but it can make you crazy unless you can bring the look home. I can't live by the sea now, so I'm supplementing this book with a decorating book called Cottage Style which is all about decorating with such vacation-home looks in mind.

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