

Spaceland:

Weekends *at the* Block House

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As a kid, Phil Kean and his friends would climb onto the flat roof of his house to watch Saturn V rockets blast the Apollo missions into the sky over Cape Canaveral. The space race was such a part of his childhood that it's no surprise he now owns a weekend house in Cocoa Beach, fictional home of Tony Nelson, TV's most improbable astronaut. "There's even an 'I Dream of Jeannie Lane' there," he laughs.

Kean is a designer/builder with a master's in architecture. At age 40 he left a career designing rubber stamps to pursue custom homebuilding. Although Florida is still in love with Mediterranean Revivals, and Kean has built plenty of them, his own taste is sparer. "I personally love modern design—not white-box modern, but more relaxed—Paul Rudolph, Schindler, Neutra, a Palm Springs-y kind of Frank Lloyd Wright mix," he says.