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irmal Farmhouse, is situated in the outskirts of Bharuch, Gujarat. Within the dense 50 year old Chiku plantations which is its main attraction. Designed by Vadodara based studio **Dipen Gada & Associates** led by principal designer **Dipen Gada**.

Total farm land is about 8 Lakh sq. ft out of that we have selected 1,50,00 sq. ft of area which is having more than 30 fully grown chiku trees.

"The house layout is planned in a way that one can feel it is within the chiku abode with minimum damage to the existing treasure. We have planned in a way that minimum trees would be damaged." says designer Dipen Gada.



//above; Nirmal Farmhouse, BHARUCH, GUJARAT by Dipen Gada & Associates Photographer: TEJAS SHAH

//on left; Dipen Gada; principal designer at Dipen Gada & Associates



Exterior of the house is linear mass with the development of ground & first level, major elements of facades are custom made metal column, beams & expose brick work. The front facade of the house faces North direction, DPA planned maximum openings towards north side along with huge deck areas in front which allows us to directly connect with landscape. At ground level recreational space is covered by nicely designed perforated screen which is having jungle graphic punctures on it in South-West direction. On the eastern part of the house there's a kitchen & an outdoor dining space at ground level, home theater & deck area at first level. Southern part consists of major services at ground level & swimming pool at mezzanine level along with two bedrooms at first level.



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The staircase at the back of open courtyard made of 10 mm of folded metal plates with two open to sky slits in the slab which creates a magical effect on the walls and enhances the ceramic art by the artist Devesh Upadhyay on one wall and a desi painting in kalankari art on the other wall.

The round cut out on the S wall which enables us to get the connectivity to the green space in the back side.

This house is a kind of perforated house, which is well associated with outdoor indoor and respecting surrounding nature at its best. The treasure of chiku tree has been kept at priority and the house is well pampered by them and having a dialogue between nature and man - made structure.

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