

Domus Impluvium

case study
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Location: Capelas, st Michael Island, Azores



Architect: Bernardo Rodrigues

Owner: Jorge e Joana Filipe

Year of completion: 2006

Climate: Mediterranean Climate

Material of interest: Local lava stone

Application: Exterior

Properties of material: The exterior to east and south is cast with the local lava stone, recalling the usual stone walls dividing the lands and protecting the houses all over the island landscape. On top a play with two moving cryptomeria wood volumes around the impluvium courtyard envelops the rooms and links also with the traditional added wood volumes seen all over the landscape.

Sources:

Architect Website: <http://bernardorodriguespress.blogspot.com/>