



With the spread of the pandemic, **reverse migration** is emerging as a distinct trend. Urban folks are considering a move back to rural or semi-rural areas for an indefinite period of time. This is partly a result of the failure of urban infrastructure in Indian cities and the rise of the 'work from home' culture.

At Grounded, we have a unique 'architect-as-developer' model, where we source land, design and build unique luxury homes that are available for sale. Our homes are rooted in sound architectural principles that allow the home owners to reconnect with nature and celebrate the simple joys of life that are too often lost in the chaos of modern living. We call this 'resort-style' living.

Get in touch with us to inquire about our homes in Goa.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR WHEN BUYING A HOME IN GOA

Balance your desire for
design goodness
with maintenance requirements

BUGS

Insist on mosquito net screens

Avoid decorative ponds

DAMPNESS

Get closets that can breathe

Air-out your home

SECURITY

Use security grade glass

Invest in video surveillance

Employ watch dogs and guardsmen

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SITE POSTCARDS

Our project '[House with Three Pavilions](#)' is currently ongoing in Goa. Sharing a few site pictures as an update on the progress.





Featured on the Design Talk Podcast



A few weeks ago, I was a guest on ['The Design Talk'](#), a podcast hosted by Ottawa based interior designer and owner of [LPD Studio](#), Priscille Joseph.

It was such an engaging talk, on the subject of sustainability and what that means when you are an architect practising your craft. As Grounded turns 10 this year, it also gave me the chance to recap our journey thus far.

As a firm, we have spoken often about the need to **reconnect architecture with nature** and Priscille began the interview with asking me what that meant in the context of our work. My architecture is centered on the idea of connection to nature, as a design element and for reasons of sustainability. Through our buildings, we aim to quietly co-exist with the landscape rather than be a grave intervention or a loud statement.

She asked me for ideas on how someone could make **sustainable changes in their home**, when they didn't know where to start. I suggested 3 tips for those who want to make a conscious start. These are:

- Be a conscious buyer,
- Try DIY composting at home, and
- Say no to single use plastic.

Finally, she asked me what a client could expect while working with an architect who has a sustainable focus. My truthful answer to this was- 'More work.' A design project has to be a real partnership between the client and the architect. Clients have to be clear in their expectations and budgets. I genuinely feel that if you are working with an architect with a sustainable focus, the client has to be open minded. Architects will present material options that reduce waste and promote recycling. They will also bring to the table options for plumbing fittings and electrical fittings that are more efficient. Overall, **a sustainable approach should save you money** in the long run and really improve your well-being.

I also spoke at length about how we are starting to offer our design services in Singapore as the next phase for Grounded.

[Listen to "Reconnecting Architecture with Nature w/ Anjali Mangalgi" on Speaker.](#)



Quoted in Good Homes India magazine



I was quoted in a feature in Good Homes magazine about the ways in which we can make the shift towards sustainable living. You can read the article [here](#).



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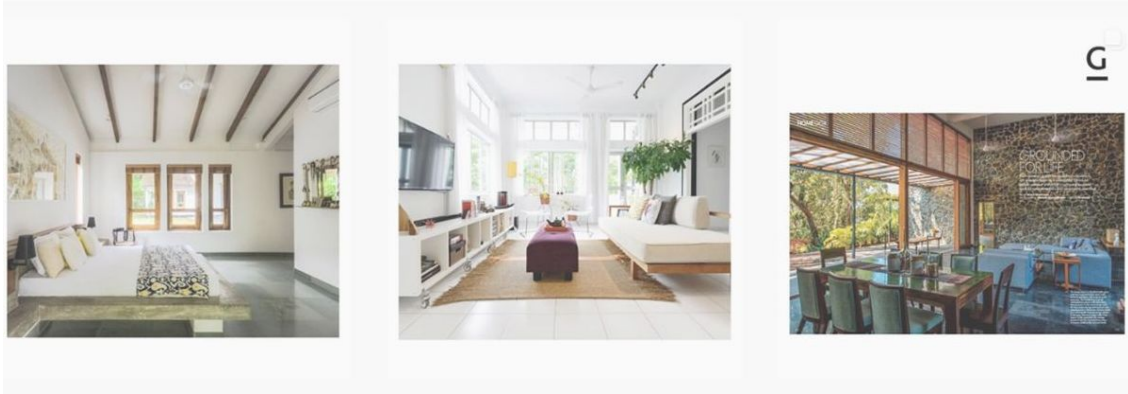
A Blog



As a part-time seeds collector, I've gleaned quite a collection of seeds from my walks and travels, and they are peppered around my apartment. This is an obsession of sorts and I really enjoy admiring their unique forms. My love for seed collection can be described by none better than photographer and blogger [@maryjohoffman](#) and her [blog](#). Please follow her work, it is spectacular!¹_{SEP}

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