

ヤマノイエ

HOUSE IN THE FOREST

This is a weekend house in HAKONE where a beautiful deciduous-tree-forest stretches over a sloping land. On closer examination, we found that the site has some unique characters, such as a water-path which runs through the sloping land and a bountiful tree-belt alongside the path.

The buildings are arranged around the bountiful forest, making the forest seem like a courtyard. The house is divided into two wings and they are connected with a skywalk in order not to disturb the stream. Foundation of structures and construction plans were also carefully examined in order to keep the environmental impact of the construction to the minimum.

“L-wing” which locates upstream, has a gentle U-shaped room, that utilizing 2.5m-level-difference. On the other hand, “B-wing” located in downstream has some functional rooms that has a distinctive view depending on the level.

This house will be used in various ways in business or privately, by an active client. We successfully created a space with friendliness and subtleness through many ‘quest-like’ dialogues in the forest.