



INDY'S 50 MOST BEAUTIFUL HOUSES

A curbside look at the metro area's loveliest homes, from tidy bungalows to Geist manors to historic landmarks

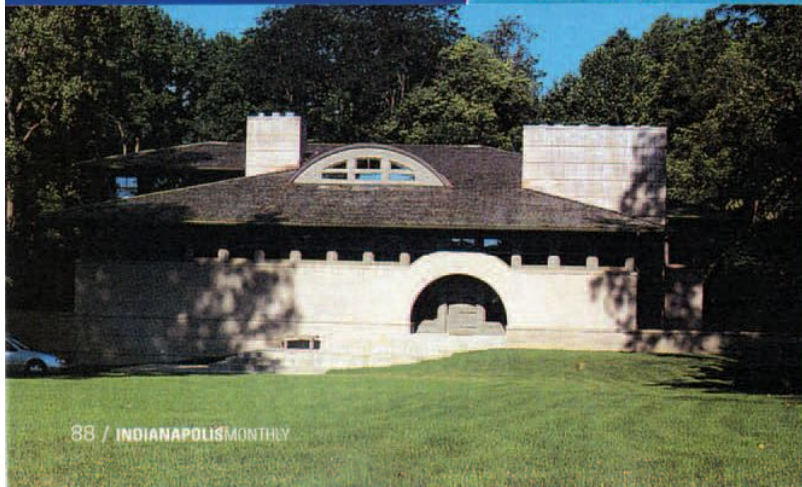
▲ 4950 N. MERIDIAN ST.

"As far as Tudor Revivals go, this one's right up there with the best," Davis says. "The coolest things are the slate roof and the limestone details."

◀ GEIST RESERVOIR

"Even designing this house must have cost a fortune," says Ward. "It's got great curb appeal, and those banks of windows offer a great lakeside view."

Indianapolis' remarkable residential properties are something of which all Hoosiers can be proud. But which are the best? To find out, we asked everyone from real estate agents to architects to name their kings of curb appeal. Their judgments, which are based entirely on the homes' exteriors, were combined with contributions from *IM*'s staff to produce the following 50. The remarks of several panelists (architectural author Mary Ellen Gadski; Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana director of community services Marsh Davis; and the vice president of FC Tucker's residential division, Bif Ward) are included. Some homes made this list based on their historic pedigree; others through their design; and others simply for their ability to turn heads. Our selections may not be *your* Top 50, but they're worth a second look.



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◀ 7100 HULL ROAD, ZIONSVILLE

"This contemporary home borrows many design elements from the Richardsonian Romanesque style," says Gadski. "Because this style is usually associated with urban locations, its choice for a country setting is unusual."