## DRIVING THE DESIGN

When architect Scott Carson of Cosan Studio met clients for a new-build home on Camelback Mountain, the husband had a specific request. "He said he wanted a living room for his cars," says Carson, principal of Scottsdale-based Cosan Studio.

"This client's life is driven by his passion for cars," notes builder Jason Boysel, president of Symmetry Construction LLC. "We didn't really know what that might look like until we dug into the details. He also said he wanted his office in the space, plus a place to hang out with friends."

Collaborating with Boysel and his creative director, Adam Kostis, Carson designed a three-level, 9,600-square-foot contemporary home that steps down the side of the mountain. Boysel says the hillside project took eight months of site work just to get to a level building pad.

The final design includes a 1,900-square-foot "living room for cars," accessible through a massive multi-slide door, and a 700-square-foot mezzanine man cave that overlooks the cars and features a lounge area, office and powder room, as well as golf and racing simulators.

"[The client] can park up to nine cars in the space," Kostis says. "There's a projection TV screen along a wall so the client and friends can watch baseball or F1 races." The car living room, visible from the home's main living space, is detailed with dark-wood wall cladding and an exposed concrete floor, sealed with slip-resistant epoxy so that the space can double as an indoor pickleball court.

Exposed ductwork is painted a Ferrari red as an homage to one of the luxury cars the owner collects. He also has a custom McLaren, which the car manufacturer personalized into his racing simulator. For the everyday drivers, the design/build team also crafted an adjacent two-car garage, but even that has a designer's touch. "That garage has a great view," Carson says. "The back wall is all glass."







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