



"The Old John Harvey Place"

by Hilgers, Bauerle & Black

Unique Home Comes From an Inspiration

Certainly one of the most enjoyable homes in the Parade is "The Old John Harvey Place" by home builders Hilgers, Bauerle and Black.



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The inspiration for the unique home comes from the structural lines of a present-day Austin residence, on 41st street, that has a history dating back to Civil War days when it was one of several plantation buildings. For many years afterwards, the home was referred to simply as "The Old John Harvey Place."

To implement the Parade home idea, HB&B asked noted Texas artist G. Harvey to sketch the "old" home. They then took the sketch to William Scudder, AIA, for architectural assistance in planning the Parade home.

The remarkable results have been made even more pleasant by the decorating skills of Mildred Smyers with furnishings from Dillard's Today's Living store in Casis Village.

"The Old John Harvey Place" has a long, low veranda that runs the full width of the home, in early Texas tradition. Constructed of massive native stone-trimmed with rough-sawn, natural finished wood and shingled with cedar, the home's authenticity is carried out with its practical floor plan.

A D'Hanis tile entry foyer extends into the family room and dining room where antique pine paneling lends a special air of comfort and coolness. Or, in winter, warmth is added to the home with a huge stone fireplace.

The kitchen "cupboards" are of a blending antique wood and, of course, no early Texas housewife ever "had it so good" as with the "modern touch" of a builtin range, oven, dishwasher and waste disposal. Aside from the central air conditioning, other modern touches include a double garage with workshop and storage, laundry room, and two tile baths with all builtin features.

A focal point of interest is the air conditioned home's tree-shaded terrace and wellhouse, all planned to enhance an already beautiful home.