

Westmont Green Homes

Westmont Green Homes is an award-winning custom-home builder of beautiful dream homes from the \$600K to over \$2 million range. In fact, they just won first place in the Lake County Parade of Homes \$1.5 to \$2 million range with their entry of the VISION Series — Orlando '08 home, a certified green home showcased during the recent International Builders Show.

Founders Jim Rahman and Curt Roese have assembled a team of dedicated and ambitious professionals who have a common objective — providing quality custom homes that their clients will fall in love with. The results tell the story — in addition to the recent award, Westmont was awarded two first-place awards and a second-place award during three consecutive Spring Parade of Homes from 2002 to 2004.

Jim and Curt manage each aspect of the construction process, providing personalized attention to all of their client's needs. Jim, a licensed Florida building contractor, has overseen the construction of thousands of homes from the affordable to the executive custom. Throughout his career, Jim has built a reputation of mutual respect and trust with his subcontractors and suppliers. Curt, a licensed real estate broker and CPA, has extensive experience in all aspects of the construction and real estate industry. Together they provide the solutions for all of their client's real estate needs.

Westmont Green Homes is committed to the green-home movement and believe the future of home building is green homes. With expanding populations, continuing economic growth, environmental pollution and resource depletion, building green homes is not a fad, it's a necessity. Westmont Green Homes built a website specifically providing information about building a certified green home



The VISION House

and providing links to useful resources; www.WestmontGreenHomes.com.

"We are committed to building high-performance homes that are healthier, energy efficient and have a limited impact on our environment," says Curt.

In order to assist consumers in better understanding the benefits of building a healthy, eco-friendly and high-performance home, Westmont broke down the process in to the following categories:

- Living Wise — live your life environmentally sensitive, energy conscious and healthier for your family
- Earth Wise — conserve our resources and use recycled or sustainable materials
- Energy Wise — reduce energy consumption throughout the house
- Health Wise — provide your family with healthier indoor air quality and water quality, as well as a more comfortable and safe home
- Water Wise — conserve one of our most important resources by conserving water inside and outside of your home

Although Westmont used many "green" building products and processes in their homes as standard, things really came in to focus for them when they were selected by Green Builder Media to build the VISION House — Orlando '08, a showcase home presented at the 2008 International Builders Show.

"It's truly the right thing to do and

the right way to build," says Jim. "The VISION House was a real eye opener for us to educate ourselves on what more can be done."

The Green Builder VISION House Series is a sequence of showcase home projects produced by Green Builder Media to demonstrate the benefits of sustainable design, construction and product selection. The third house in the series, VISION House Orlando '08, was a high-end architect-designed custom home, demonstrating that green can be not only glamorous, but also sustainable by considering durability and life safety in an active hurricane zone.

Westmont Green Homes continues its commitment to the green movement by starting construction on four certified, custom, green homes in Lake Burden at the Lakes of Windermere. Lot 47, a two-story home with approximately 3,500 square feet of living space, was showcased during the HBA of Metro Orlando Parade of Homes, held April 2008. The other three homes will be available by December 2008. Each home will be certified under the Florida Green Building Coalition Standards.

Jim and Curt want to show consumers that building a green home is more about carefully planning the building process and proper vendor, subcontractor and product selection, than it is about "how much more will it cost."

Although certainly there is a cost factor involved, the benefits far outweigh these costs, not just in a more energy-efficient home and in what it saves on the impact to our present and future environment, but in having a healthier home for you and your family to live in.

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