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Francisca Villarroel Alonso grew up in a family of architects, first in Santiago, Chile, and later in Marbella, Spain. This background gave her a broad foundation when she moved to Washington, DC, to study architecture. “Design has always been part of my life,” she says. “The fact that I have traveled all over the world gives me a compassionate understanding of people’s needs and helps me come up with innovative design solutions to improve their lives at home.”

Today, she and her husband, architect Antonio Alonso, work together in their full-service architecture and custom-building firm. They put clients’ needs first, as Villarroel Alonso explains: “Our focus has always been to help our clients bring their vision to reality. We spend time with clients and talk over many options and design solutions and use an extensive questionnaire to truly understand their needs. Once we understand what they are all about, it’s easy to come up with a style, color palette and look they will love.”

The Alonsos recently completed a showcase project in McLean, Virginia, dubbed the 360 Home. “This custom project embodies everything we have learned from past clients as to how they want to live and how they want their home to enrich their everyday lives,” says Villarroel Alonso. “We find inspiration in helping people live happier at home.”

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In the 360 Home, archways (top) separate the main kitchen from the adjacent spaces. The reception area with a two-sided fireplace (pictured here) is designed for informal gatherings with casual seating and a direct view to the outdoors. The main entry portico (opposite) features a stone wall, travertine and a wrought iron door.

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A grotto, an outdoor gallery with travertine floors and an open courtyard (top) connect the 360 Home to the landscape. The master bath (below) features a soaking tub and Crema Marfil marble on the floors and walls. The front façade of the McLean, Virginia, home (right) was designed to make its owners feel like they are on vacation all year round.



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