MORA HOUSE

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LOCATION: LLAFRANCH. GIRONA. SPAIN

YEAR: 1997

A close friend of Javier Barba asked the architect to build a summer house for his family in a coastal town. This construction had to be developed on a site in the heart of town. The complicated location of the site, excellent for its proximity to the sea, but on a corner of a busy street set the ground rules for the project proposal. The architect decided to close off the most exposed side of the lot with a wall and volumes to protect the house from the noise. This screen has a variety of finishes: at the start, it is a rusty llicorella stone wall (locally sourced), which then changes to a plaster volumes that frames the entrance and ends with a wall clad in wood. The first floor overlooking the bay of Llafranc, including common areas and service areas, is open to the south with a courtyard and a pool. The bedrooms on the upper level have access to the terraces and the green roof. In the basement, the large garage includes space for cars and for a small boat. The inspiration for the two-toned ocher facade was taken from the colors of the stone used, which along with the paneled wall create a harmony of colors in the finishes.