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The pool area

STAR STRUCK

The stars aligned when a famous couple dreamt of living somewhere comfortable yet elegant, but which boasts sustainable design, writes Ria Iskandar

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We designed this home for a young family that are very much in the public eye, but who desired a simple yet comfortable home that employed sustainability as much as possible," the property's architect, Richard Landry, told *Indonesia Tatler Homes*. American football quarterback player Tom Brady and Brazilian model Gisele Bündchen are the proud owners of this exclusive residential property, located in Los Angeles. The mansion, which occupies a staggering 1,300 square metres, is situated in a breathtaking landscape itself comprising 1.5 hectares. Landry told *Indonesia Tatler Homes* that the project took almost two years to complete.

The timeless beauty of European architecture inspired the design concept, guiding Landry and his team to build a French-inspired chateau. Accommodating



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The fireplace gives the property a luxurious yet homely ambience

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The interior with its natural material flourishes

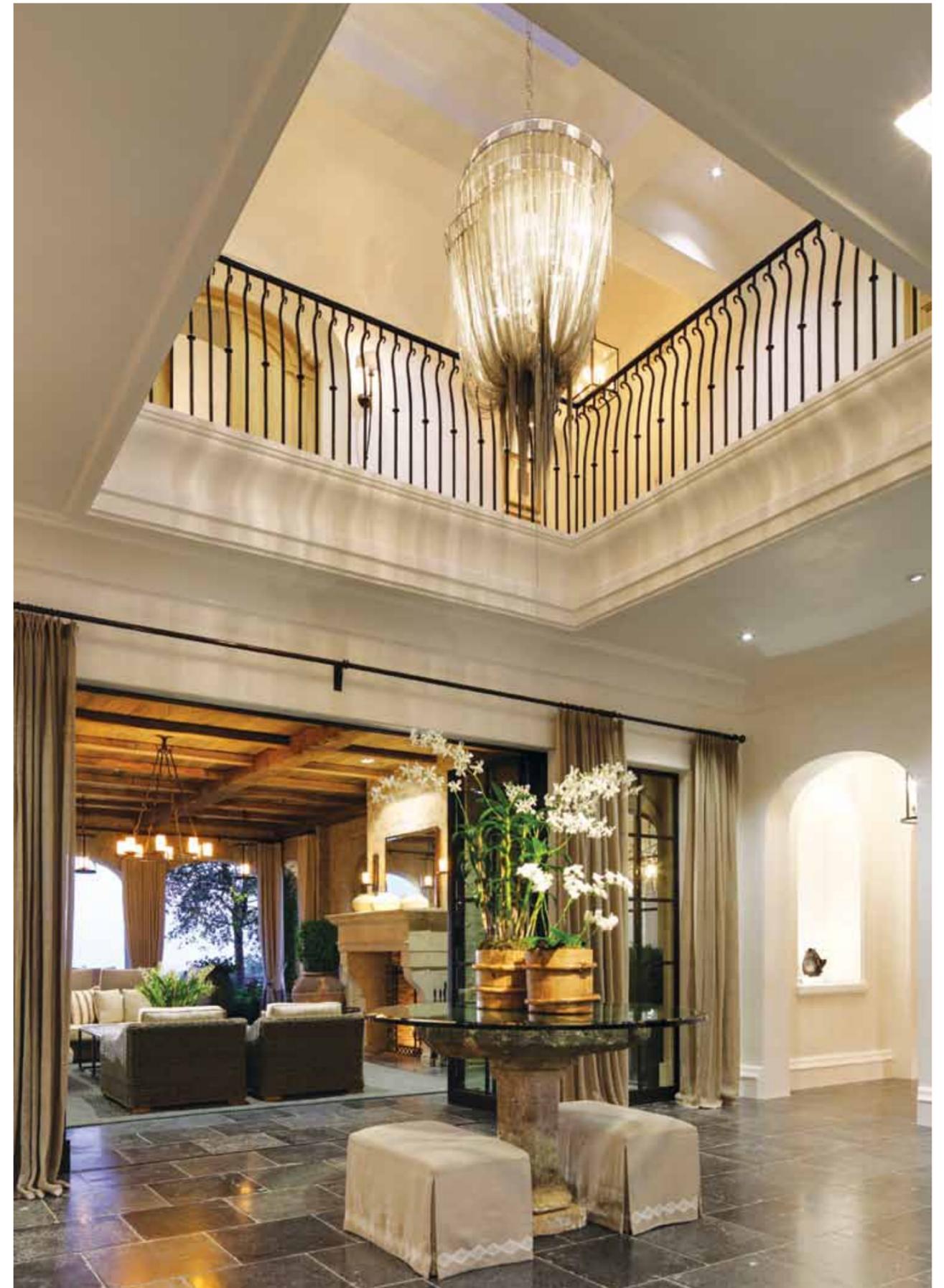
the varied lifestyles of Southern Californian residents, the demesne was considered and developed to compliment and frame panoramic views of both the Pacific Ocean and the Santa Monica Mountains.

Reflecting a luxurious and timeless atmosphere, pretty much the entire façade features environmentally friendly materials obtained through responsible technologies and processes corresponding with the clients' eco-conscious philosophies.

The design blends reclaimed materials, such as stones and French Oak on the façade, for an enchanting and timeless feel. The marble fireplace surrounds, wrought iron gates, Belgian bluestone flooring, brick, and French Oak wood floors and beams were all reclaimed and have beautiful patinas to prove it.

On the opposite walls, the architectural cosmetic ornamentation was finished with old-world plaster. Extensive folding-glass door systems seamlessly connect the indoor with the outdoor spaces, while the Mansard-style roof was made from grey Vermont slates completed by a metal trim.

Besides the environmentally friendly materials, the architect team also installed 140 solar panels that create enough electricity to supply the entire house. "We mostly used LED lighting. There are extensive bio-swales to collect and retain rainwater on-site for watering the gardens and lawns. We also have sophisticated energy management systems controlling the super high-efficiency HVAC





systems along with a grey-water reclamation system,” Landry explains.

Landry and his team created this residential project with the application of modern, sustainable systems that still manage to incorporate a classic French chateau-inspired residence, marrying the best of both worlds. “Enchanting, comfortable and environmentally responsible,” is how Landry describes this residence. He also told *Indonesia Tatler Homes* that the water feature became his favourite part of the landscape, which was designed to create the illusion that a stream surrounds the chateau.

“To enter the house you cross over a bridge that spans a koi pond—a kind of modern moat—and at the rear of the home there is a pool with an infinity edge boasting views of the Pacific Ocean that has a wooden “dock” which appears to float above the water.” Landry paints the setting in his own words.

Richard Landry also told *Indonesia Tatler Homes* that he and his team always take a different approach for each of their clients. “Every project is different, that’s what makes the project special,” he concludes. Just like Brady and Bündchen’s mansion, Landry and his team always design houses in response to their clients’ particular requirements. That is the essence of the uniqueness found in all of their projects.

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The dining area; The kitchen area

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The bar area

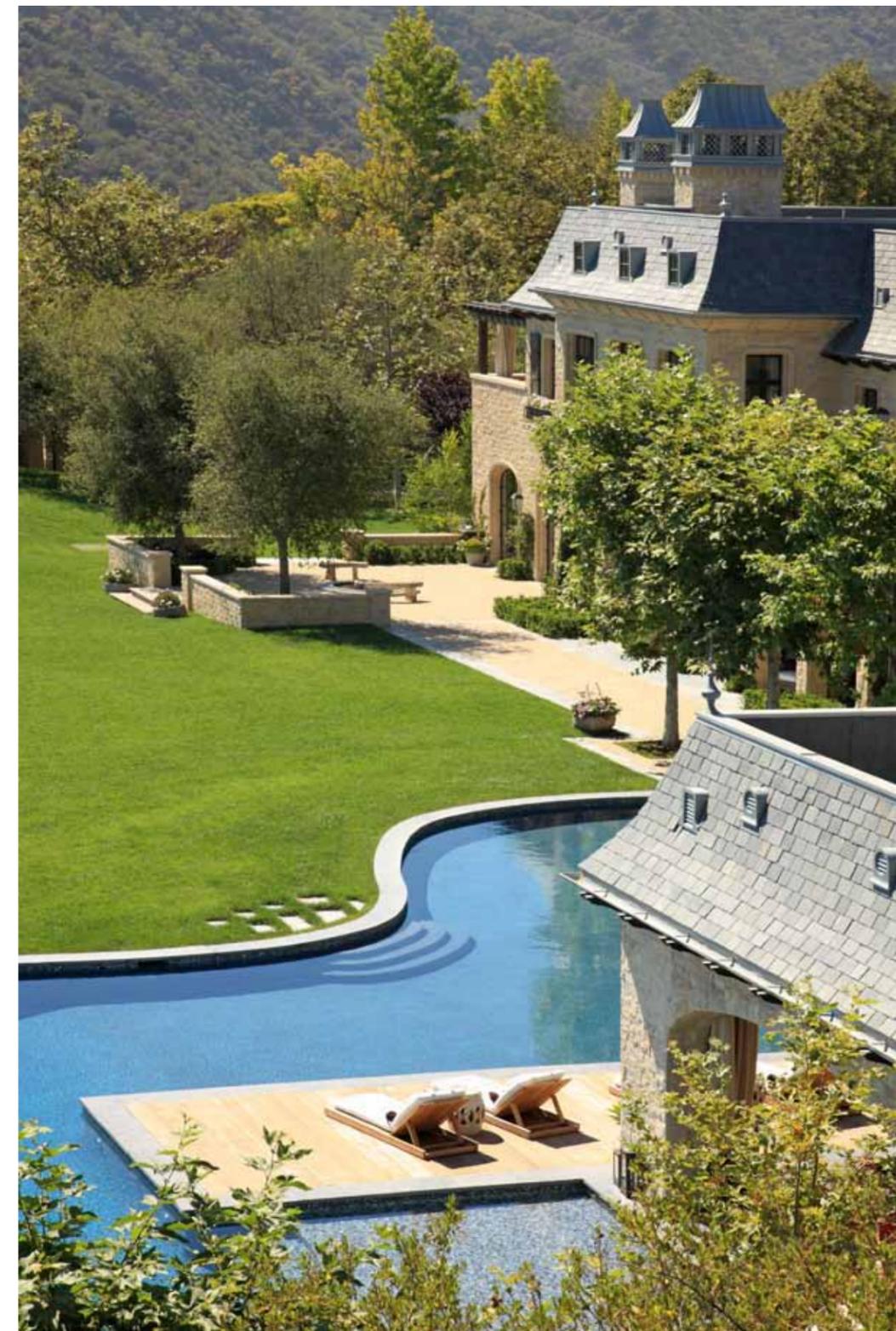




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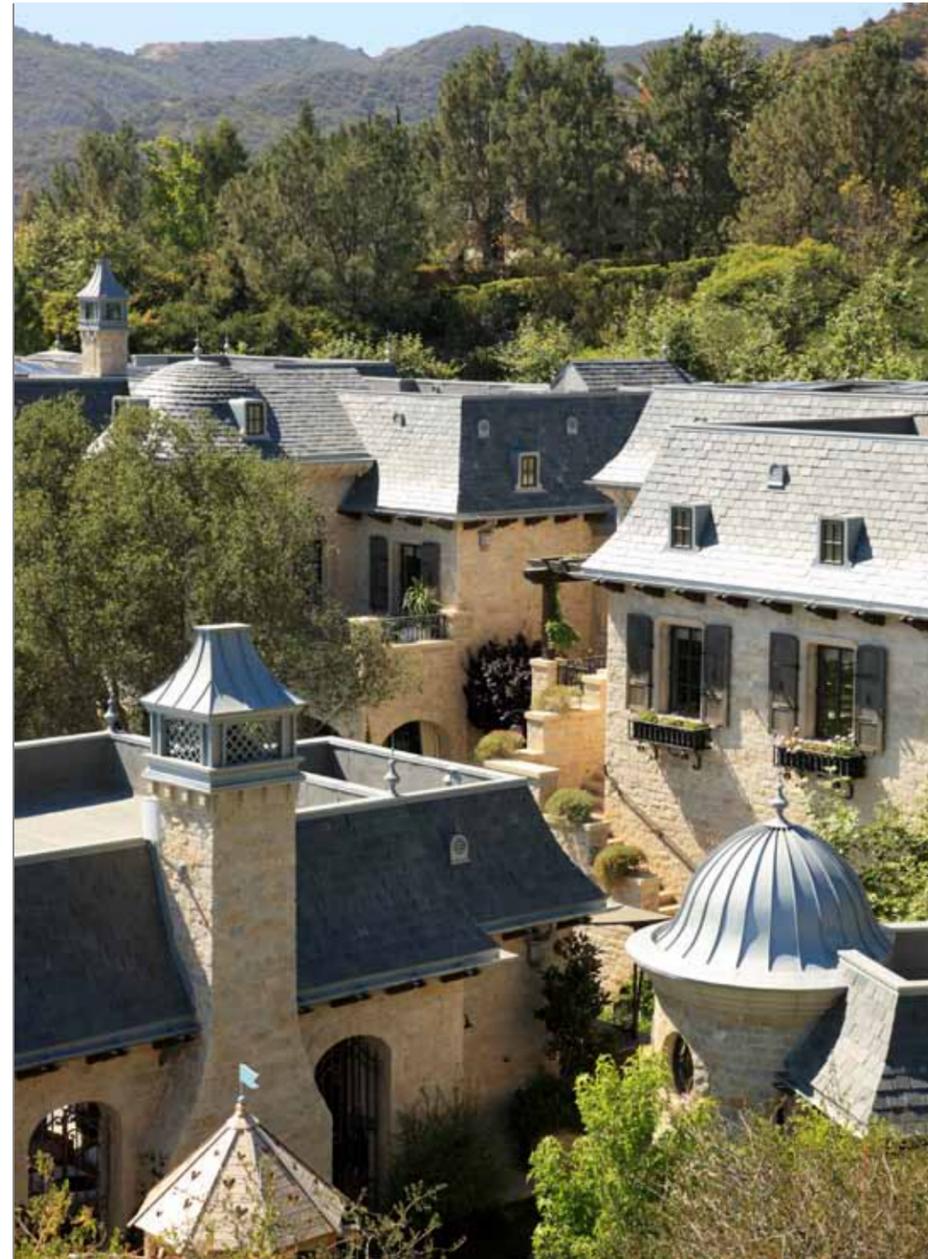
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 Located in Los Angeles, the residence boasts an amazing landscape

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The mansion, which sprawls over nearly 1,300 square metres, is located in a breathtaking landscape

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The architecture was inspired by that of a classic French chateau