

Pointers for Buyers Seeking Peak-Worthy Homes

Buyers don't necessarily need to head out West to scout for mountaintop homes that offer privacy and wide-open vistas. New York's Hudson Valley and parts of New Jersey may not abut ski lodges, but they offer some mountain touches, as detailed in three homes profiled recently as a House of the Day:

This 6,500 square-foot [home in Carmel](#), N.Y., once owned by the artist Moby, offers views of the Hudson Valley from its infinity pool and outdoor decks, and is surrounded by land protected from development.



This 33-acre estate in Carmel, New York, once owned by the musician Moby, offers views of the Hudson Valley and neighbors land protected from development.

Lots that were once part of old, large estates can still be found in parts of New Jersey. This [30-room home atop Bernardsville Mountain](#) once belonged to a 500-acre estate and the homeowners built their house on the stone foundation of the estate's original mansion.

The views offered by a [12,450-square-foot home](#) in Holland Township, N.J., were what won over Chester and Leslie Siuda when they scouted for land in the area. They built their home using over a dozen types of wood to give it the feeling of a rustic mountain home, and Ms. Siuda regularly goes horseriding in the area.

For those in the market for a mountain-style home, upstate New York broker David Knudsen has some suggestions. He guides prospective owners through house hunts in the Catskills region. Read more [on the Developments blog](#).