

ROUND HOUSE

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A radical new style in houses -- the round house -- makes its debut in California. Beneath the stepped roof is an indoor-outdoor type of dwelling modeled somewhat on the Indian teepee.

Glass separates the steps of a roof that's just right for climbing. Glass also encircles the stone chimney, which stands free in the center of the house and is almost two stories tall. The foam rubber chair cushions cover chairs of concrete, which are really supports helping to hold up the roof. The bedrooms feature pie-wedge beds of foam rubber eight inches thick -- no concrete.

When it's bed time she just goes to the closet and pulls out the wall, cutting off the bedroom from the rest of California's revolutionary round house.