

LEVEL 1 HOMES:

Expertly built full-custom, one-level homes

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Level 1 Homes is truly unique from any other builder in the Pikes Peak Region. The company is the only in the area that exclusively builds full custom one-level homes – with no basement, no upper level and no stairs whatsoever, inside or out. Most builders only offer ranch style homes with a basement, so what Level 1 Homes provides is a rare commodity. “I interviewed ranch style home buyers, and found that most people rarely went into their basement,” says Clint Dufresne, founder and builder at Level 1 Homes. “In a one-level home there is no wasted space, it’s all living space.”

Every single part of a Level 1 home is accessible. Hallways and doorways are made wider to comfortably fit a wheel chair if need be, and there are even curb-less showers for easy in-and-out access. “We accommodate aging in place,” says Ellie Bishop, Project Manager for Level 1 Homes. “So this way, even if you buy the home

when you’re 30 or 40, you can remain there comfortably into your 80s, 90s and even 100s.” One-level homes are widely popular in areas like Florida and Texas, driven in part by their convenience and overall stylistic appeal, but it’s rare to come across single level living in the state of Colorado.

Level 1 Homes is also special because it is a full-custom building company. “We have never built the same home twice,” says Bishop. Mike McCoy, Government Compliance Officer at Level 1 Homes, says “When you’re building a custom home, you get a chance to form a relationship with clients rather than just seeing it as a transaction. This journey is shared between builder and owner all the way through.” Sky’s the limit when it comes to custom-built, one-level homes — whether someone wants a swim/spa off the master suite, double master suites, a man cave, maximizing excellent mountain views, a gourmet kitchen with

music alcove for a piano, or even a six-car garage/workshop with hoists. Dufresne is dedicated to bringing these visions to life with unparalleled attention to quality and aesthetics.

Dufresne is gifted when it comes to home design and understanding his client’s goals. “It’s amazing to watch the interaction, because (Dufresne) will speak with the client, and after that initial meeting will understand their vision with 90-95 percent accuracy,” says McCoy. A few weeks after the first meeting, Dufresne takes clients on a software-generated virtual tour of their envisioned home from the inside-out, and will make tweaks and changes wherever necessary before the design is signed off on and sent to an architect to be formalized. Beyond being an active member of the home building and remodeling industry for the past three decades, Dufresne is a RE/MAX broker and a recipient of the RE/MAX Hall of Fame Award.

Level 1 Homes also prides itself on building exceptionally energy-efficient homes. The builder achieves this in a variety of ways, including in-floor radiant heating, raised-heel energy trusses, two-by-six exterior walls that allow for more insulation, finished garages that do not drop below 40 degrees, and 94 percent efficient full stainless-steel boilers that not only heat the floor but provide instant hot water at every faucet.

“(Dufresne) never settles or compromises — he wants to build the best possible home, and top-quality is his number one priority,” says Bishop. “He visits the job sites multiple times a day and takes pride in his work with integrity. It means so much to me to be part of that.” The company serves clients throughout Colorado Springs and surrounding areas.

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