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Picture Perfect

We meet interior design and architectural photographer Jessica Glynn to chat to her about her new book.



award-winning American photographer Jessica Glynn recently moved from Palm Beach with her husband and daughter to Kilmovee in Co. Mayo. Her fabulous new book *Beachside: Windsor Architecture and Design*, which highlights the domestic world of the Windsor community in Florida is the perfect read for any interiors enthusiast. 'My husband Gerard is Irish and we met in Boston 22 years ago. We married in 2007 and had been living in Florida for the last 16 years before we decided to move back to be nearer his family in Co. Mayo last year,' Jessica tells us.

'Our daughter Keira is 12 and we thought it would be nice for her to grow up in Ireland, enjoy life on the family farm and experience what Ireland has to offer. I have to say, even though covid has stopped us from really getting out and about, we are all really enjoying living here.'

Now based in Ireland Jessica is currently establishing herself as an interior photographer and also promoting her new book, which allows the world to see inside the opulent homes of the Windsor community in Florida.

As Jessica explains, 'Windsor is an hour and a half drive from where I used to live in Palm Beach. It's an exclusive community founded by W. Galen (who owned Brown Thomas and Arnotts) and (Dublin born) Hilary M. Weston. These homes are mostly winter

homes for those that own them, only a small percentage of the entire community lives here permanently. I was working on other projects for architects and interior designers working with homeowners in the community when I was hired to do Windsor's marketing, public relations and properties photography.

'The community expressed interest in a coffee table book and I had worked with Vendome Press on a previous book named 'Palm Beach Chic', so I offered to approach them to see if they would be interested in one on Windsor and there was.

'I then whittled the tens of thousands of images I had taken over the course of the last decade to a curated collection of 500, which I felt best represented the community. The graphic designer and publisher then made

the final selection from this edited selection.' Due to the volume of homes, rather than break each chapter down per home, the book is divided into areas such as bedrooms, kitchens, dining rooms and so on, in order to make the best use of all of Jessica's different images showcasing the range of styles within all of these opulent homes.

'They have a building code for Windsor which all of the homes have to adhere to,' explains Jessica. 'This includes steeply pitched roofs, open eaves and large cantilever balconies often with sweeping ocean views. There are also a lot of courtyards, which isn't a common feature in many American homes. However, while there are strict rules in place to ensure a similarity on the outside, once you step inside each home it's completely different

and in this affluent community you can rest assured that no expense has been spared when it comes to the interior design. 'This book appeals to the voyeur in all of us and also offers lots of inspiration when it comes to decorating our homes. There's a kitchen I loved which inspired me for my new one here in Mayo!

'The book was definitely a labour of love for me. I have been photographing Windsor for so many years and hope to still be able to work with them on special projects going forward. I love the interior design and architecture on display throughout the community and it's really nice to be able to share it with others now too.'



BEACHSIDE: WINDSOR ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN
Published by Vendome Press, NYC and is currently available in Ireland from Dubray, Brown Thomas, local bookshops and online at theirishcountryhome.com

Jessica will be signing copies of her book on Saturday 5th March, 1-3pm at Bound Concept, Belfast and Sunday 27th March, 2-4pm at Mount Falcon Estate, Ballina