



Timeless quality of these simple cabins gives them a tranquillity that promotes relaxation. Row of high windows brings light into the two-story rooms

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Vacation houses clustered like a summer camp

Situated along Oregon's Yachats River and ¼ mile from the Pacific Ocean, these 32 charming vacation houses offer both river and beach experiences. They're built in clusters with common areas around them, so they feel a bit like an old summer camp. Though the houses stand side by side, they remain surprisingly private because windows and doors are concentrated at the two ends.

The jury was captured by the their timeless design. "You wouldn't be surprised to find out they'd been built many years ago, but you also feel they'll look quite good a

few years down the line." "Both on the exterior and the interior, some really lovely things are happening."

Exteriors are plywood with battens appliquéd for texture. Each cabin stands on 12 piers, raising it 30 inches above grade. Unpainted wood surfaces enhance the indoors. Though built with only one large sleeping loft, each 956-square-foot cabin provides for overflow with three built-in sleeping couches.

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