SMALL PROJECTS / PART 2

All the projects published in our twopart Small Projects feature were built for less than £250,000. The first part was published last week. The work will be exhibited at the RIBA headquarters at Portland Place, London, from 6-28 February.





SNOWDEN HOUSE II, NORTH KENSINGTON, WEST LONDON

Architect: Crawford Partnership Cost: £250,000

Following the completion of Snowden House I in 2003, Crawford Partnership was commissioned to design its successor. Snowden House II is on a tight corner plot at the end of a four-storey Victorian terrace. The site formerly housed two lock-up garages and is within the North Kensington Conservation Area. The development was required to project no more than 3m above ground level. The design philosophy was to invert the normal configuration of a house, with three bedrooms in a new basement occupying the entire site. Each bedroom is lit by, and has access to, sunken gardens through full-height sliding glass doors.





THE GARDEN ROOM, NEAR ALDEBURGH, SUFFOLK

Architect: Sanei Hopkins

Cost: £350

This project was conceived and executed in reaction to the designs of garden rooms currently on the market and was produced in less than six months, using mainly materials left over from building a children's Wendy house. It has been inspired by the simplicity and tranquility of 'pill box' coastal defences from the Second World War. Access to the garden room is 'constrictive' (similar to that of the pill box) and from underneath. The room is only 1.3m by 0.6m, but the space does boast 3m-high walls, that are open to the sky.