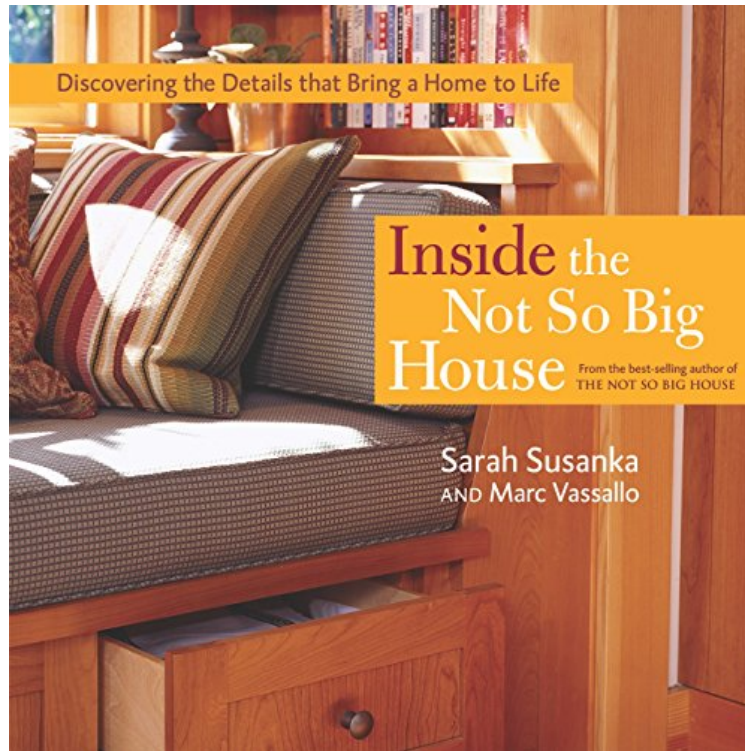


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Best-selling author of The Not So Big House Sarah Susanka teams up with architectural design writer Marc Vassallo to expand upon the message that has resonated with over a million homeowners and builders across the country:

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About the Author Sarah Susanka is one of the leading residential architects in the United States. Her first book, "The Not So Big House," topped best-seller charts in Home Garden categories in its first year of publication. Susanka has appeared on the Oprah Winfrey Show, the Charlie Rose Show, and NPR's Diane Rehm Show. She is a former principal and founding partner of Mulfinger, Susanka, Mahady Partners, Inc., the firm chosen by LIFE magazine to design its 1999 Dream House. Marc Vassallo is one of today's top writers in home design. With formal education in architecture and creative writing, Vassallo understands and clearly articulates home design trends and ideas. He is co-author with acclaimed architect and author Sarah Susanka of "Inside the Not So Big House: Discovering the Details that Bring a Home to Life" (2005), "the best-selling book about crafting quality and character in a home through architectural details. Vassallo writes for "Cottage Living," "Cooking Light," "Saveur," and other national magazines, and is a frequent speaker at home design and future trends conferences.