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From the Inside Flap

Five houses, over five years, in five countries. The five houses are all presented here, showing the extensive design process, details and images in each case. This is a study of five dramatic architectural projects in five divergent locations across South Asia and the Pacific, united by the touch of a single designer. It celebrates the remarkable work of architect Ernesto Bedmar, of the Singapore-based design company BEDMar & SHi.

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