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## Original in Berlin founder, Lars Triesch, showcases his one-of-a-kind Ray Kappe home in Berlin

Tucked into the lush landscape of Kleinmachnow, just outside Berlin, Lars Triesch's California-inspired residence channels the spirit of mid-century modernism with effortless sophistication. Designed by the late, great Ray Kappe, the home seamlessly merges the warmth and openness of Southern California architecture with the serene beauty of the German countryside, creating a perfect reflection of Triesch's eye for timeless design.

Lars Triesch's passion for design began in his teenage years, sparked by his involvement in music. His fascination with California culture and architecture eventually led him to discover Ray Kappe's work, particularly after viewing the documentary Coast Modern. Deeply inspired, Triesch pursued the vision of creating a home in Berlin for his family that reflected Kappe's iconic style. Although Kappe passed away in 2019, his legacy lives on through his collaboration with Triesch, ultimately leading to the realization of this architectural marvel, making it the only Kappe home outside the United States.

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Wrapped in rich layers of Douglas fir and California redwood, the home's façade strikes a bold yet organic presence amid the trees. Prefabricated walls and an expansive use of timber inside and out blur the lines between architecture and nature. With almost no inorganic materials in sight, the house radiates warmth and a quiet harmony with its wooded surroundings.





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The sunken lounge, centred on a sleek log fire, draws the eye with its layered warmth and inviting textures. Redwood cabinetry, crafted to mirror the home's architecture, frames the space, while a mix of vintage finds and modern pieces infuses it with understated personality. A discreet, high-fidelity audio system is seamlessly integrated into the design, offering rich sound without disrupting the room's serene aesthetic. It's a space that reflects Triesch's sensibility, which is one of quiet elegance, comfort, and a deep appreciation for materials.



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The home was thoughtfully designed to embrace the rhythms of daily life, creating a space that feels both fluid and deeply personal. In the kitchen, Smeg appliances are seamlessly integrated into custom-built cabinetry and surfaces that subtly define the open-plan layout. Built-in window seats, topped with upholstered cushions, extend organically from the walls, offering cosy nooks for relaxation. At the heart of the kitchen, a striking cantilevered table emerges from the layered central island. Just steps away, the dining area invites a sense of calm with six Hans Wegner PP203 chairs arranged around an expansive red oak table designed by Kappe. Adding a personal touch, one of Triesch's favorite vintage pieces, and a 1960s George Nakashima armchair, anchors the room with quiet character.



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Original in Berlin is a premier destination for vintage and custom-made furniture, specializing in midcentury and modernist design. With a curated selection of rare, high-quality pieces and an in-house workshop, the brand offers a full-service experience from sourcing and restoration to customization and installation. Their expertise extends to built-in cabinetry, kitchens, and bespoke interiors, blending timeless craftsmanship with contemporary functionality. Based in Berlin and serving a global clientele, Original in Berlin is dedicated to preserving design icons while seamlessly integrating them into modern living.

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