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## Gaia, a multi-level carbon-neutral fully sustainable ultra-luxury 700m<sup>2</sup> residence

Swiss architect Milena Cvijanovich and her team at MCM Designstudio present Gaia, a multi-level carbon-neutral fully sustainable ultra-luxury 700m<sup>2</sup> residence ensconced in a lush beachfront site in Bali. Inspired by her passion for the Fibonacci Sequence found in nature, Milena's creation is the fusion between sacred geometry, a luxury lifestyle and sustainability, which respects its environment as a carbon neutral construction. As the residence unfurls, the multi-layers reveal several diverse atmospheres from intimate corners to generous spaces for entertaining family and friends, always in communion with its surrounding natural landscape and vistas. Despite its circular exterior, the home contains the perfect balance between organic form and rational, efficient space layout. Gaia is an example of how it is possible to design and build exquisite high-end carbon-neutral homes anywhere in the world. The building modules are custom engineered and are as easy to assemble as Legos, which allow for high quality construction as well as local skilled and unskilled labor. Incorporated in the residence is a number of sustainable features including a green roof planted with indigenous species, a water recycling and recuperation system, hemp insulation, LED lighting, home automation and solar panels for hot water and electricity. A reversible heat pump provides natural cooling. This is the first in MCM Designstudio's new series of ultra-luxury carbon-neutral residences, which provide the finest in sustainable living while merging artistically into natural surroundings. [www.mcmdesignstudio.ch](http://www.mcmdesignstudio.ch)

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