

W O O D W O R K O F M E R I T

unparalleled depth of experience
unmatched technological capabilities
dedicated commitment to craftsmanship



R E S I D E N T I A L



custom woodwork of lasting beauty

At Merritt Woodwork, we transform architectural dreams into realities. We possess the complete range of technologies and skills to make this happen: computer-assisted design and management; climate-controlled shops and vehicles; the most advanced fabricating equipment; judicious use of automation; and a corps of expert artisans. All these ensure faultless accuracy and timeliness, while minimizing waste and cost overruns. Our paneling, marquetry and veneers are crafted in-house, on some of the largest-scale equipment in the industry, using extraordinarily painstaking hand procedures. The result? Fits and finishes that mechanization cannot possibly duplicate. Our passionate craft heritage coupled with the newest technology yield extraordinary custom woodwork of lasting beauty.

E X P E R T I S E



flawless execution - without exception

Though we have expanded from a hands-on, two-man operation to an organization of over one hundred, Merritt Woodwork still embodies the devotion to craft and the perfectionism of an intimate family business.

Founded in 1972 in Mentor, Ohio, by the late George A. Merritt, our company has evolved from handling local residential commissions to taking full responsibility for the interior woodwork of some of America's most prestigious residences. We now routinely work in exclusive residential enclaves including Manhattan, The Hamptons, Greenwich, Palm Beach, Naples, Aspen and Bel Air. We work with peerless architects and designers including Robert A. M. Stern, Mark Ferguson, Bunny Williams, Scott Snyder, Jeffrey Smith, Albert Hadley and the late Warren Platner.

Today George A. Merritt's sons, Michael and Keith, maintain the family's principled commitment to uniting the most talented craft specialists with the most up-to-date systems in order to exceed the expectations of a demanding clientele. The goal is flawless execution of the architect's and designer's concept - on schedule, within budget, without exception.

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arms-around approach

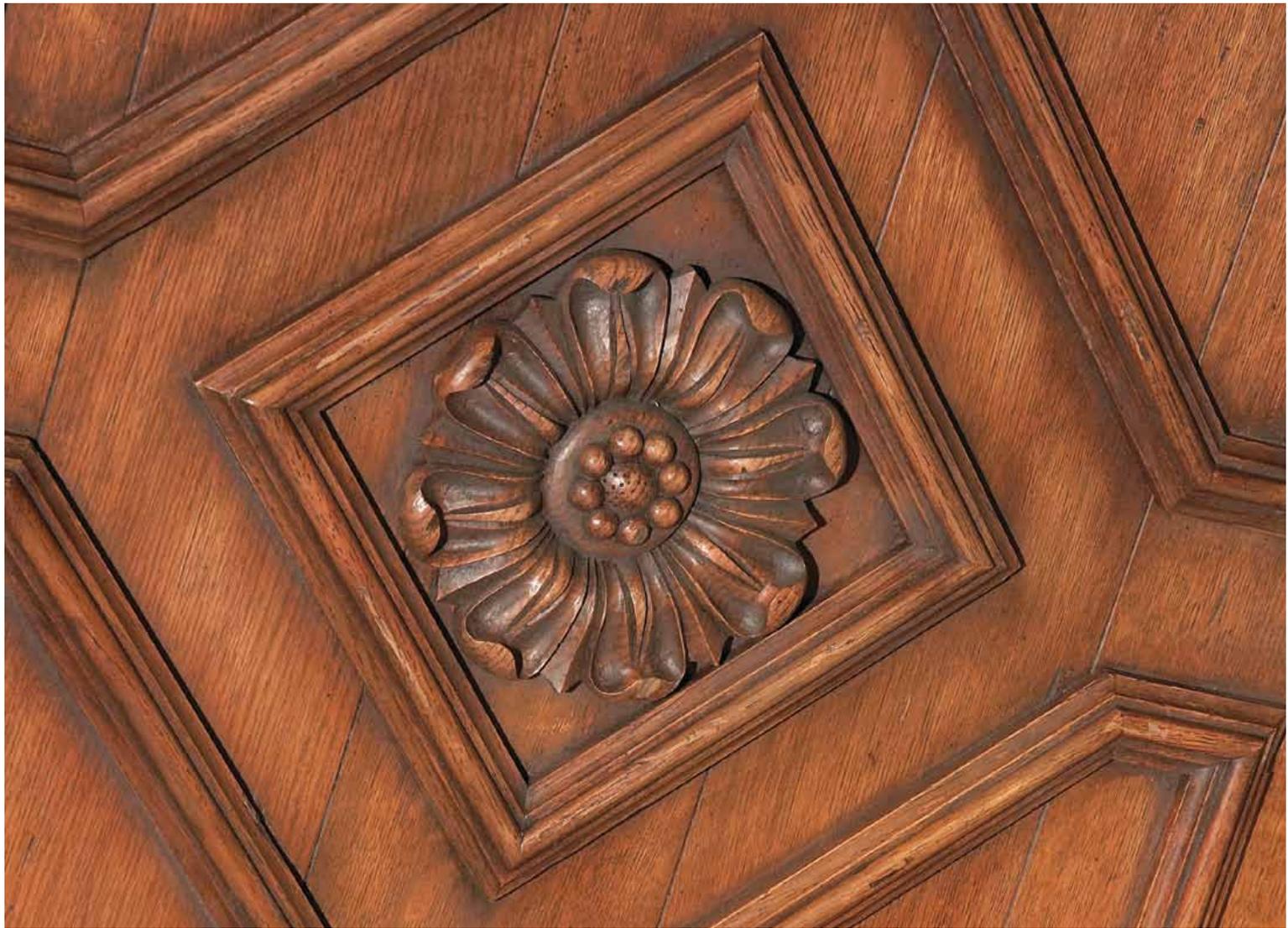
Think of us not just as the fabricators of your custom woodwork and furniture, but as the technical liaison between your architect, designer and contractor, and between your project and outside suppliers of components such as plaster decoration, custom finishing and stone work. We take responsibility for bringing to completion the entire interior architecture of a house or office. We call it our “arms-around approach.”

From the architect’s or designer’s plans, we create our own enhanced production drawings, as well as exacting integration and coordination drawings. These enable us both to install the unique woodwork we ourselves craft and to seamlessly orchestrate the participation of other specialist suppliers.

At the start of each project, we develop a line-item budget, bar-graph schedules and physical mock-ups that enable clients and designers to see what they are purchasing and how it all will come together. Our project managers undertake the complete oversight of every job, employing only our own rigorously trained site superintendents to oversee on-site carpentry.

We are frankly obsessive about the details – so you can enjoy a stress-free, turnkey construction experience.

A P P R O A C H & P R O C E S S



heartfelt fidelity to the tradition

With an expertise refined over nearly four decades, and a heartfelt fidelity to the traditions of fine craftsmanship, Merritt Woodwork is America's unsurpassed provider of custom architectural woodwork and furniture for elite residential clients.

At Merritt, we match the irreplaceable skills of devoted artisans with the most advanced design and production technologies available. The result is superlative efficiency, economy and precision – all in the service of your unique aesthetic vision.

C R A F T S M A N S H I P



team & talent

Merritt's dedicated team of 100 plus includes architects, engineers, ACAD detailers, 3D modelers, project managers, cabinet makers, finishers, machinists, operators, traffic and delivery specialists and on-site superintendents and carpenters.

Our commitment runs deep. Merritt managers immerse themselves in their assigned projects in the office, the plant and on site. They constantly monitor construction progress and the participation of associate trades providers to identify potential problems and determine resolutions prior to delivery and installation. Our engineers develop elaborately detailed drawings to ensure a complete representation of the designer's intent and to guarantee a perfect interface with adjacent elements in the project. From these, our Detailing and Production Group prepares the Computer Assisted Manufacturing programming, cutting bills and routing tickets that establish and maintain production flow. And our craftspeople, bringing to bear both their uncommon expertise and their reverence for the processes and materials of their trades, turn design concepts into furniture and woodwork of unsurpassed beauty.

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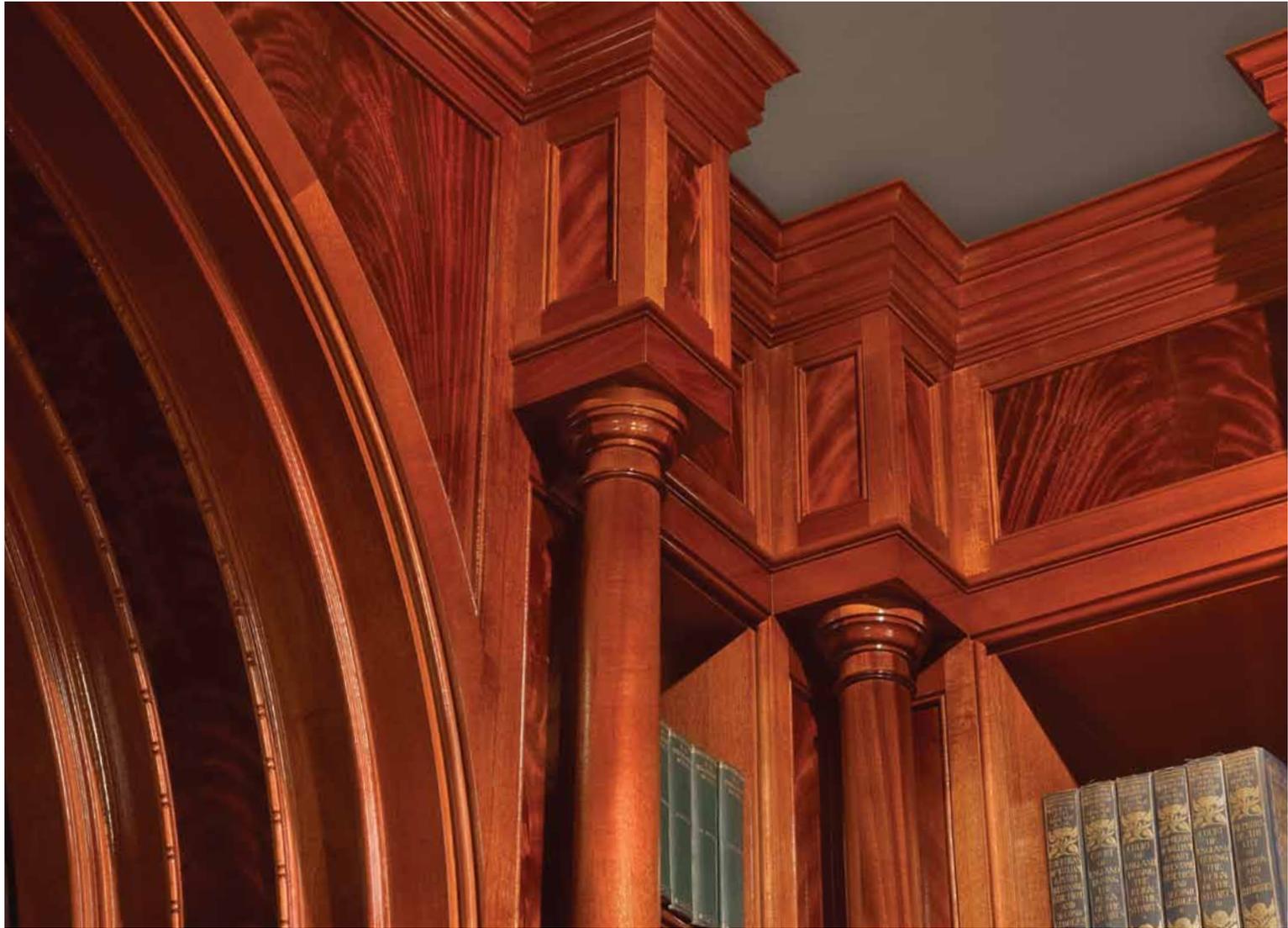
Flawless integration

We produce detailed AutoCad drawings to demonstrate that designs can be developed with structural integrity and will integrate successfully with adjacent elements. We develop in-depth, easily legible take-offs, by room and product, both to confirm that the scope of the overall plan is complete and as a basis for budget tracking.

Our shop drawings go so far as to depict the interfaces with finish materials and decorative elements that will come from other providers – such as floor stone joints, gypsum wallboard reveals, and soffit configurations – ensuring that all these will be integrated seamlessly during installation.

These sophisticated software systems allow us to maximize our human and manufacturing resources, avoid mistakes and the waste of rare materials, and rigorously adhere to established schedules.

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fabrication & pre-finishing

Our specialist craftspeople conduct all solid and panel processing, veneering, sanding, assembly and pre-finishing in a 90,000 square-foot manufacturing plant fitted with the most advanced available woodworking equipment and CNC-controlled machinery.

Veneers are pressed in-house, and marquetry is second nature to our veneer department; our press platen is one of the largest in the industry. All of our products are pre-finished in isolated, climate-controlled finishing departments, using automated conveyor systems and drying ovens, resulting in woodwork and furniture entirely free of contaminants.

We have developed intensive manual processes - some with as many as 30 steps - which produce rich, inimitable finishes. In addition, we can provide old-world reproduction finishes derived from basic chemicals and natural elements that achieve convincingly authentic patina and texture. Our hand finishes are our hallmark, and cannot be duplicated by mechanized manufacturing.

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installation & field management

For us, quality is always a top priority. During the preliminary phases of construction, Merritt project managers conduct significant on-site review, evaluation, and field measuring which allows them to identify any issues that might present interface problems during later construction. The pieces crafted in our Ohio facility are transported to the job site in climate-controlled vehicles, and installed by our own personnel under the supervision of our project superintendents. Our managers work intimately with the contractor and other tradespeople to stimulate their interest in achieving the highest integrity for the whole project.

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Merritt Woodwork and Germany's Vedder Group – operated by its founder's fourth generation, with special expertise in fitting out luxurious custom yachts – have formed an unprecedented working collaboration. Their combined global reach, technological mastery and deeply shared ethos of perfectionism now offer a caliber of artisanal woodworking impossible to find elsewhere.
