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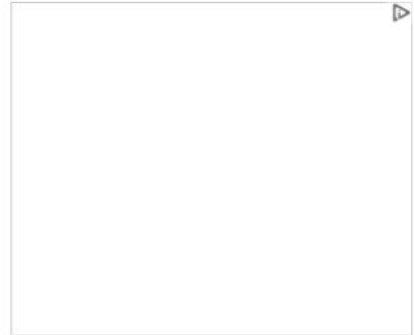
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A while we posted about an unusual [siding option from Japan: Burnt wood](#). Now we've stumbled upon another gorgeous idea, and this one has its roots in North Carolina. This gorgeous place is home to Brent and Autumn Simmons in the Blue Ridge Mountains. It has a wonderful style that blends rustic mountain good looks with a modern, calm sensibility. Its amazing exterior is made up of bark shingles, which originated in the region in the early 1900s. Beautiful and sturdy, they're supposed to last up to 75 years. They need no sealers or preservatives and have a natural durability. And best of all, they're made with a part of the tree that is often discarded. You can visit [barkhouse.com](#) for more info on the materials. To see more of the Simmons' home, visit [this Houzz gallery](#).

We think they're pretty gorgeous, and love the way they look on a modern home. Would you give them a try?

Photos by [Christopher Kellie Design](#).



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