

## **Residential Historic District Design Guidelines Napa, California**



*Detail of a house in the Abajo/Fuller Park Historic District.*



**Services:**

- Design guidelines
- Character analysis

**Client:** City of Napa

**Date:** 1997

The design guidelines for Napa, California, are for a residential district, the Abajo/Fuller Park Historic District. The city of Napa has a long-established heritage as an agricultural center on the northern edge of the San Francisco Bay area. Its close-in neighborhoods span more than 150 years of building history and include a diverse building stock ranging from modest cottages of farm workers to comfortable homes of sea captains to grand Victorian mansions of the community's business leaders. The City sought to produce design guidelines that would reflect the diversity of buildings in the historic district and that would provide useful information to homeowners to stimulate investment in building rehabilitation.

In addition to writing the design guidelines, Winter & Company helped the community refine its design review system and wrote an update to the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance, which the California State Historic Preservation Office requested to be used by the State of California as its model ordinance.



*The design guidelines were written to reflect the diversity of building types in the Abajo/Fuller Park Historic District.*