

COLONIAL STYLE HOMES

PLATE TWO

Cape Cod Cottage

Few houses are as instantly, comfortably recognizable as the Cape. Developed by English settlers on the windswept Massachusetts coast, it hugs the ground under a steep gable roof built to shed weather and shrug off the wind, with a central door, a window on each side, and a big chimney at its heart. The dormers you see here were often a later addition, opening up the half-story loft above. Look for the symmetry — the Cape is a small house that carries itself with perfect balance.



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