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Designed and built to sell on the Canadian M.L.S., this small two-bedroom house fits into the existing residential neighbourhood while still being contemporary. Its form relates to the tightly packed cottages with peaked roofs without replicating them. The roof is symmetrically pitched at the front and sloped to one side at the back, which gives each of the rooms on the upper level a different spatial quality. In contrast to the solid walls on both sides of the house, the front and back faces are entirely glass. The glass was rendered opaque only where structurally necessary, in order to maximize natural light and give the modest interior spaces the impression of being larger than they are. In order to transform the basement into a proper living space a portion of the front yard was excavated to create a two level planted light-well, filling the front room on the lower level with natural light.

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