

# Turn of the Century

KOSL Building Group's niche signature-style homes replicate traditional homes that were built in the early 1900s.



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*KOSL Building Group LLC has a portfolio of more than 100 impressive homes it has built throughout Westchester County, N.Y., and Greenwich, Conn. Roughly 30 percent are custom homes that were built for international clients, 40 percent are custom homes for U.S. residents and 30 percent are spec homes within various communities. “Through a diligent work ethic, persistent ambition and high-quality results, KOSL’s reputation thrived quickly, making them today the No. 1-rated construction company in Scarsdale, N.Y.,” says the company founded by Bobby Ben-Simon more than 25 years ago.*

Oran Ben-Simon, Bobby’s son, has been working with him over the years and is now enrolled at Columbia University, pursuing an executive MBA in construction

## PROFILE

KOSL BUILDING GROUP LLC

[www.koslbuilding.com](http://www.koslbuilding.com) / Projected 2016 revenue: \$60 million /

Average home price: \$3 million to \$20 million /

Headquarters: Mamaroneck, N.Y. /

Specialty: Custom single-family luxury homes



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management. He has helped expand the company's clientele into new areas while aiding the transition into new markets. KOSL is currently building in Scarsdale, Larchmont, Rye, White Plains and Mamaroneck, N.Y.

### KOSL BUILDING GROUP PROJECTS

*Burgess Road, Scarsdale, N.Y.*

*This 9,500-square-foot custom home sits on 0.66 acres and boasts six bedrooms, five bathrooms plus master suite, a slate roof, brick and cedar wood clapboard siding, Venetian plaster walls, radiant floor heat in the entire house, barrel ceiling, wine cellar, movie theater, three-car garage and pool with hot tub.*

*Reimer Road, Scarsdale*

*This 9,500-square-foot custom home on 1.34 acres features five bedrooms, five bathrooms plus master suite, slate roof, brick and cedar wood siding, three-car garage and mahogany doors.*

*Seneca Road, Scarsdale*

*A 7,672-square-foot home has six bedrooms, six bathrooms, a second-floor office, six-zone HVAC, stone and shingle siding, coffered ceiling trim work, copper gutters/leaders, Pallu windows, a 10-foot ceiling on first floor, and 9-foot ceiling in the basement and on second floor.*

*Rectory Lane, Scarsdale*

*Covering 7,272 square feet, this six-bedroom house has five bathrooms, copper gutters/leaders, Pallu windows, stone and cedar siding, cove track lighting, master suite radiant floor heat, five-zone HVAC, a deck and sweep roofing.*

"I treat every new home as if it is my own, each with its own unique attributes and style that complements the neighborhood," Bobby Ben-Simon says. "Our customers have very high expectations due to our established reputation. We strive to accommodate their needs, confidently leaving them satisfied."

### RESIDENTIAL LUXURY

KOSL Building Group is known for its high-quality finishes, such as elegant detailed trim work, custom mantel fireplaces, 10-foot ceilings and mahogany paneling. It also takes pride in its excellent customer quality including warranty assurance and quality control; scheduling and budgeting; and the ability to attract high-end customers from around the world – China, Paris, Germany, Mexico and Brazil, for example – thanks to its prestigious reputation.

"These days, with such a variety of houses on the market, it is amazing that our homes are genuinely distinguished from the rest," Oran Ben-Simon says. "People in several communities have noted, 'Oh, that is a KOSL Home,' insinuating its immense quality as a known trademark, which to us is a statement of recognition."

KOSL predominantly focuses on residential single-family luxury homes in Westchester County and Greenwich, but the company constructed a high-end boutique hotel in New York City in 2006 and can accommodate high-end commercial buildings as well.

### 1900S STYLE

KOSL's niche is its signature home with traditional 1900 architecture. This style of home has been widely recognized over the years throughout Westchester County. Whether on the smaller scale, at about 5,000 square feet, or a larger scale of 20,000 square feet, KOSL builds its homes for living.

"Regardless of size, the focus on detailed quality is never compromised," the company says. KOSL's complete package includes 10-foot ceilings, finished basements with wine cellars, movie theaters, fitness rooms, detailed interior and exterior trim work, many sizable bedrooms, quality plumbing fixtures and tiles and state-of-the-art kitchens with top-of-the-line appliances. One of the many companies with which KOSL works is Today's Kitchens.

"Today's Kitchens has been nothing less than amazing to work with," Ben-Simon says. "From being considerate of lead-times, maintaining our budget and providing the high quality materials we expect, they are truly a pleasure to work with."

Ben-Simon emphasizes the importance of the company culture at KOSL Building Group and its subcontractors. "Overall, our company is like a close-knit family," he says. "We enjoy working with the same vendors and subcontractors that are familiar with our high demand for quality. Quality, efficiency and on-budget and timely completion are essential for each project. KOSL is most proud of its renowned reputation and distinct homes for years to come. Satisfied customers have turned their dreams into reality, thanks to us." ■