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SITE

Captain Jedediah Hawkin's House

SITE LOCATION

Jamesport, New York

VISTA® PRODUCT USED

SpectraSelect VS70

Restoration
Preserves
Yesterday,
Protects
Tomorrow

Vista® SpectraSelect, a high-performance film that provides the best balance of light and fade control, was the perfect choice for the towering multi-windowed belvedere room at the top of the North Fork Designer Showhouse.



Captain Jedediah Hawkins' House in Jamesport, New York is the first Designer Show House on Long Island's historic North Fork. Not so long ago, the house was derelict from years of neglect and faced condemnation and a wrecker's ball. Today, thanks to interior designers Robert W. Clark and Raymond J. LeCuyer, the house is reborn. Its romantic belvedere room and covered balcony; its ornate molding and oriel windows; and its grand porches and curlicue cornice brackets all have been restored to their original splendor. Over twenty New York and Long Island interior and landscape designers contributed their talent and skills to creating the extraordinary renovation.

In the course of the renovation, Robert Clark recognized that the valuable interior furnishings, vibrant colors, and extravagant fabrics that adorn the six thousand square foot mansion were in peril from



the sunlight that streamed through the more than four hundred glass windows. Colors would fade, and furnishings and floors would deteriorate. To solve the problem, Robert and his partner Raymond called in the services of a local solar control expert, a Vista® dealer.

After analyzing the situation, the dealer determined that Vista® VS70, a spectrally selective window film, would be the best solution. The film is designed to allow sunlight to shine brightly through glass illuminating interiors while taking the heat out of the

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sun's rays and not impeding outside views. When installed, the film stopped ultraviolet rays from penetrating the glass and cut solar heat by half. Ultraviolet light and heat are the principal causes of fading of furnishings, fabrics, wood, and artwork. In addition to the solar protection, the film adds to the overall safety by creating a shield that in the event of glass breakage helps hold the broken pieces in place.

As the house's term as a Showhouse is completed, the complex will become a luxury country inn with first class kitchen and dining facilities. Hawkins House interiors and its guests will be protected with Vista® installed on all the 427 windows.

