

The Suwannee

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The Suwannee features two-stories of cracker-style living. In winter, a wood stove helps heat the home, while windows that open to a wrap-around veranda provide ventilation during summer. When air-conditioning is a must, this compact design with its built-in energy features should help keep utility bills to a minimum.

Large kitchen, dining and living areas, along with a versatile back porch, make this house ideal for an active family. But adults can still maintain their privacy with the master suite on the first floor and secondary bedrooms upstairs.

The Suwannee is designed to face north, although it will also provide energy efficiency if sited to the south. The plan features about 1700 square feet of conditioned area.

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