

# JOHN TURCHIN

## *His Dream and Legend*

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The cabin by the pond, home to nightlife entrepreneur Eric Milon, is surrounded by the full majesty of the fall season.



The Great Camp Lodge was the first lodge-style home to be erected at Eagles Nest, showcasing the community's notable flair for rustic elegance.

## “GOING BACK TO SIMPLICITY, BASICS”

—JOHN TURCHIN

Meeting John Turchin for the exclusive *Social Affairs* interview was like being greeted by the Marlboro man—handsome, magnetic personality and dressed in his cowboy outfit with the sheriff badge of the Village of Banner Elk, North Carolina. Oh, yes he is a real Sheriff! Turchin is not only very confident in his work and feelings, but also very at ease and peaceful with himself. He could not stop telling me how exciting it was for adults to be able to have a camp they could go out to play or relax in. Why should it only be for kids? He remembered years ago dropping his children at camp and wondering why there was not one for adults. He was leaving that same afternoon after our interview to join his family at Eagle’s Nest. He turned around and said to me, “I am an original. I am forseeing the future of how families are going to want to live, three generations living together is very clear we are going back to our basic roots.” While he still enjoys the Miami nightlife, he yearns for the life he lives at The Lodges at Eagle’s Nest. He has built a home for his two children, Ashley and Jordan, alongside the love of his life, his wife Susan. Ashley works side by side with her dad as Creative Director. Turchin is right, he has a beautiful family all living together,

### **The Lodges at Eagle’s Nest Amenities:**

- Maintained Walking & Hiking Trails
- Biking & All-Terrain Vehicle Trails
- Community Garden
- Heart Rock Amphitheater
- Helipad
- Heated Lagoon
- Vita Fitness Course
- Shooting Range
- Disc Golf
- Fly Fishing
- Archery
- Ropes course and climbing tower
- Cliff Edge Library
- Wireless Internet in Common Areas
- Toy Barn Recreation Center filled with sporting equipment



The main room at Big Timber Lodge, the crown jewel of Eagles Nest, welcomes guests with a glass blown crimson chandelier and ample views of the surrounding mountains.



The authentic Tee Pee Village at Eagles Nest creates a sanctuary mountain retreat with luxurious amenities in a unique setting that instill utter tranquility and relaxation.

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working together and enjoying the simple things life has to offer.

Imagine being able to live the best of two worlds. Slated to become the new second-home summer destination for the next generation of South Florida families, The Lodges at Eagles Nest is the brainchild of visionary builder, Turchin. Born in St. Francis Hospital in Miami Beach, Turchin is a third generation developer. The Turchin name is synonymous with artistic, quality architecture of homes and hotels for families looking for the best in detail and quality. Set in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains, Turchin's dream has become reality. The one-of-a-kind residential community spans over 1,350 acres and is naturally equipped with waterfalls, trout-filled streams, 16 miles of breathtaking mountain trails, beaver pond and wildlife preserve offering a luxurious, yet distinct, quality of life in Village of Banner Elk, North Carolina. This certainly is the best-kept secret yet! Turchin

is also a very generous with a giving soul. He has given weekend getaways to Eagles Nest worth in the neighborhood of \$5,000 each, to over 200 charities in our community.

Now, do not think that Turchin is ever done working. He has already reserved 30 acres to build a hotel in the near future. His never-resting mind is constantly going a million miles a minute. He not only has excellent business acumen, but his creative side does not let him rest. Always coming up with another wonderful idea such as the July 4 weekend, is a three day event with Galaxy Entertainment, barbecue and fireworks, Memorial Day he puts a car rally together, famous race car drivers compete for The King of The Hill. Oh yes, Turchin never stops and you can tell he is living a life full of pleasures. "It's like being a kid all over again," he says.



Embracing traditional Native American patterns, the interiors combine plush accommodations and a décor peppered with woven tapestries, animal skin rugs, and warm earth tones that beckon the call of the mountain.



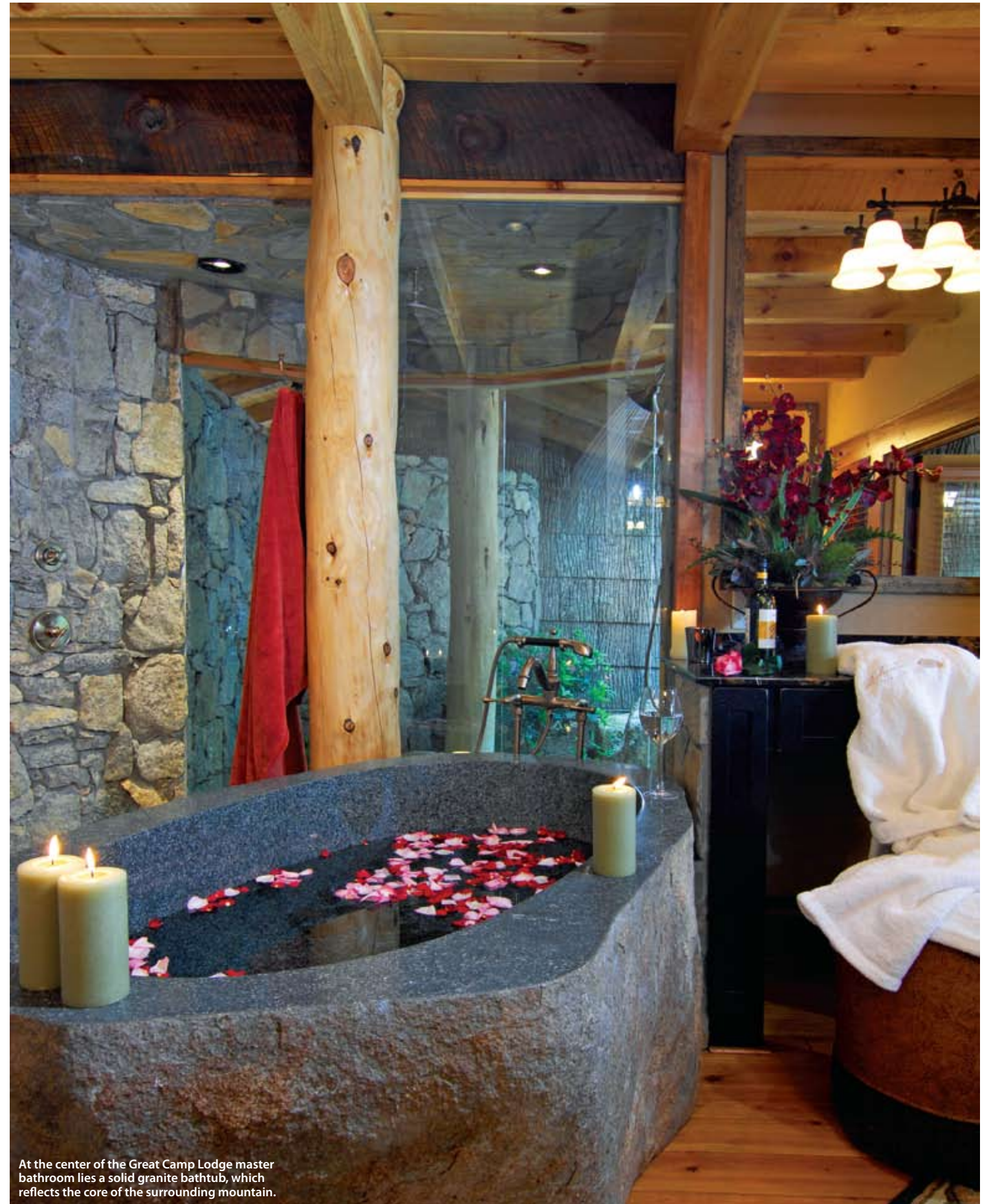
The living room at Sterling Lodge, the first custom-built home at Eagles Nest, features finely crafted wooden structures, including custom totem poles that line the walls throughout the space.



A prime feature of Big Timber Lodge, the wine-barrel-shaped wine cellar can be seen through a glass floor upon entering the home.



The kitchen at Big Timber Lodge carries the home's red-theme with vibrant cherry woods and draws inspiration from nature for unique elements, such as the snake-like curvature of the sink.



At the center of the Great Camp Lodge master bathroom lies a solid granite bathtub, which reflects the core of the surrounding mountain.

***PERFECT LOCATION WITH EASY ACCESS FROM MIAMI.***

Covering the north and south sides of Beech Mountain, the community sits at the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Surrounded by the sweeping views of the Pisgah National Forest, the community is located five minutes from the town of Banner Elk and a short drive to the frequently traveled North Carolina mountain towns of Boone, Blowing Rock, Grandfather Mountain and Valle Crucis.

***FINALLY A CAMP NOT ONLY FOR CHILDREN TO ENJOY, BUT ALSO ADULTS***

At the core of the Eagles Nest community, The Great Camp sits at an elevation of 4,500 feet and offers a country club alternative with hiking and biking trails, Barbeque Pavilion, Tee Pee Village & Wellness Spa,

Toy Barn, Heart Rock Amphitheater, Cliff Edge Library, archery range, playing fields, children's playground, climbing tower and rope bridge, beach volleyball court, campfire pits and community garden.

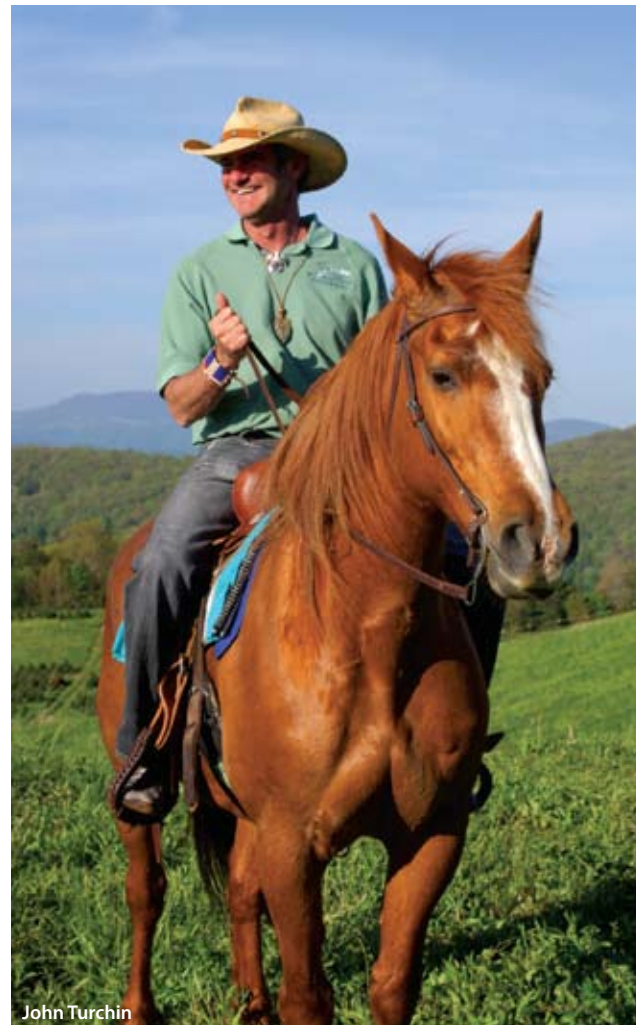
***TEE PEE VILLAGE & SPA***

For an unforgettable and unique camping experience, authentic tee pees create a luxurious sanctuary for spending a night surrounded by nature and gazing at the stars. Tee Pees are fully equipped with modern amenities, which include: a full bed and futon, bath tub, wood fireplace, microwave, refrigerator, and coffee-maker as well as an outdoor hot tub and fire pit. Housed within the Tee Pee Village, the spa offers a specialized menu designed to rejuvenate the mind, body and soul.

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The pure joy of riding is one of the advantages of Eagles Nest.



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Hidden amid a frosted landscape, the Sterling Lodge sits on the apex of the mountain at 5,200 feet, yielding 360 degrees mountainous views.

***THE SADDLE CLUB***

With more than 500 acres to explore on horseback, The Saddle Club offers riders of all ages and skill levels the opportunity to enjoy an activity that is rarely practiced in urban centers. The equestrian facility provides comprehensive year-round care and housing of horses for Eagles Nest residents.

***LUXURY HOMES & HOMESITES***

In addition to an exceptional location and an environmentally conscious community design, The Lodges at Eagles Nest offers a wide range of unique amenities and home designs creating a family-oriented residential mountain retreat that stands out for its flair of rustic elegance. Each home, whether the buyer's

own creation or one of Turchin's turnkey designs, is crafted in a symphony of timber, steel, stone and glass to provide the perfect complement for its natural surroundings. Having grown well beyond the vision and conceptual stage, The Lodges at Eagles Nest is, at present, a truly unique residential community basked in high levels of luxury, yet down to earth. A vibrant and thriving luxury gated community.

Currently there are three types of homesites available, each ranging from one to ten acres in size and 3,400 to 5,200 feet of elevation. They are: Cabin Homesites, Great Camp Homesites and Lodge Homesites. Homes range from \$500,000 to \$5,000,000. You can also look into fractional buying with as little as \$175,000.00 You can enjoy and live the quality of life you yearn. SA

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