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**COUNTRY LIVING MAGAZINE CHOOSES  
SAWMILL VILLAGE HOME AT SNOWSHOE MOUNTAIN  
2009 HOUSE OF THE YEAR**

**CHARLESTON, WV** – *Country Living*, the nation's leading shelter magazine has announced the completion of the magazine's **2009 House of the Year**. This year's house finds its place nestled atop the picturesque peaks of West Virginia's Snowshoe Mountain in Sawmill Village, the resort's exclusive, gated residential community.

Each year the magazine collaborates with a builder on a home building project. The Country Living staff works with the builder on the planning, designing, building, decoration and photography of the house. The House of the Year is designed to reflect the comfortable, casual lifestyle *Country Living's* reader's desire. A & G Luxury Homes of West Virginia was the builder of the mountain top home.

"*Country Living* combines a blend of classic American style and personalized comfort in its House of the Year building project," says Nancy Soriano, editor-in-chief of *Country Living* magazine. "The astonishing views at Snowshoe Mountain are the ideal setting for our 25<sup>th</sup> home project. The 2009 House of the Year will inspire readers with ideas to incorporate in their own homes—regardless of where they live."

Sawmill Village is the gated residential community located within the nationally-recognized Snowshoe Mountain Resort offering authentic, superior craftsmanship, radiating multi-generational appeal and embracing the natural heritage of the mountain.

"We are excited about the quality of homes in our mountaintop community," says Sam Levin, Sawmill Village's development manager. "We are proud to be able to offer a luxury community with year-round adventure to those seeking a second or vacation home."

Boasting the first 100 percent Energy Star® rated homes in the state by incorporating up-to-date "green" building materials and methods, Sawmill Village delivers quality living and privileged ski-in, ski-out access for discerning homeowners seeking a tranquil retreat from everyday society stresses.

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*Country Living* magazine is opening the doors of its 2009 House of the Year for public tours on weekends beginning August 22 and continues through October 26. *Country Living*'s exclusively designed four-story, "Arts and Crafts" style house offers unique living spaces and astonishing views of its mountain surroundings. Tickets are \$5.00 to view the award winning home and can be purchased by calling Sawmill Village at 877-372-9645. Proceeds from the tours will go to benefit the "Cystic Fibrosis Foundation". Additionally, the building of *Country Living*'s 2009 House of the Year will be televised on the DIY Network in January 2009. For those who cannot visit the 2009 House of the Year, photos and a feature on the house will be included in the magazine's February 2009 issue and on the *Country Living* website at [www.countryliving.com](http://www.countryliving.com).

For more information on *Country Living*'s 2009 House of the Year, go to [www.countryliving.com](http://www.countryliving.com) or [www.sawmillvillage.com](http://www.sawmillvillage.com). Sponsors of the 2009 *Country Living* House of the Year include Agio, Hunter Fan Co., Kichler Lighting, Lennox Hearth Products, Lowe's Pella Windows and Doors and Shaw Flooring.

About *Country Living*

*Country Living* is the No. 1 selling shelter magazine at newsstand. It focuses on a variety of topics including decorating, antiques, cooking, travel, remodeling and gardens. *Country Living* is published by Hearst Magazines a unit of Hearst Corporation ([www.hearst.com](http://www.hearst.com)), one of the nation's largest diversified communications companies with interests in magazines, newspapers, digital media, business media and television. As one of the world's largest publishers of monthly magazines, Hearst Magazines has nearly 200 editions around the world, including 18 U.S. titles and 20 magazines in the United Kingdom, published through its wholly owned subsidiary, The National Magazine Company Limited. Hearst reaches more adults than any other publisher of monthly magazines in the U.S. (77.4 million total adults, according to MRI, fall 07).

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