



ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER

## **PROVENCE FARMHOUSE**

- General massing is rectangular volumes with informal wing additions often arranged around a private courtyard.
- Roof forms are almost exclusively gables and sheds but on occasion a hip roof may be expressed on a dominant rectangular building form.
- The most distinctive element of the Provence farmhouse is its “Genoise” eave – multiple continuous rows of stacked roof tiles under a shallow overhang.
- As in the Tuscany farmhouse, stone is an appropriate primary exterior material that may cover the entire building or a dominant portion thereof, which may represent it’s beginning.
- Rectangular window openings either stacked or often informally placed are customary. The use of flat-arched door and window openings is also common.
- Elevations express a greater proportion of wall mass to window openings.
- Distinguishing detail elements of the Provence farmhouse include, brightly colored wood shutters, subtle and simple stone or precast window surrounds frequently painted white, Juliet balconies, wrought iron vine trellises, painted planter boxes.