



View of main façade

Hotel Boutique Casa Umi

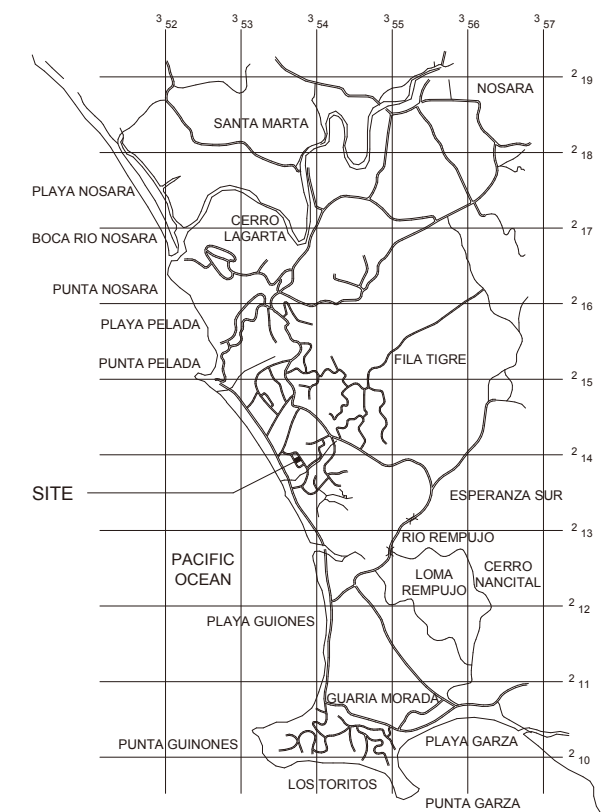
Location | Nosara, Costa Rica

Client | Luna Creciente Nosara LLC

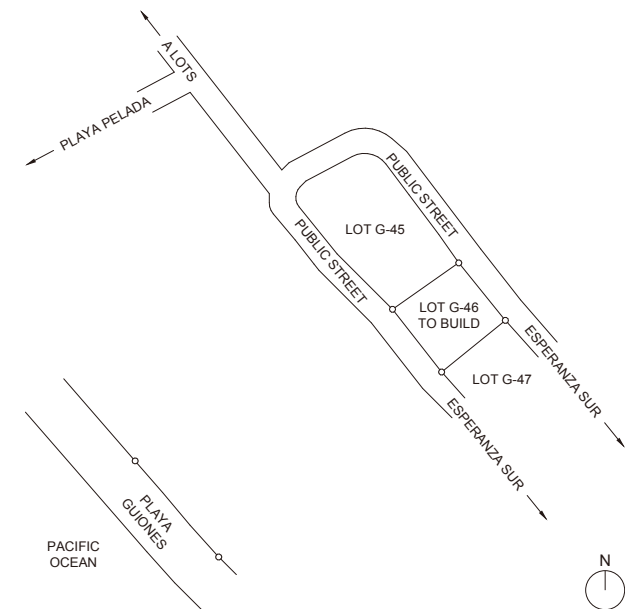
Type | Hospitality

Building Area | 1,120m²

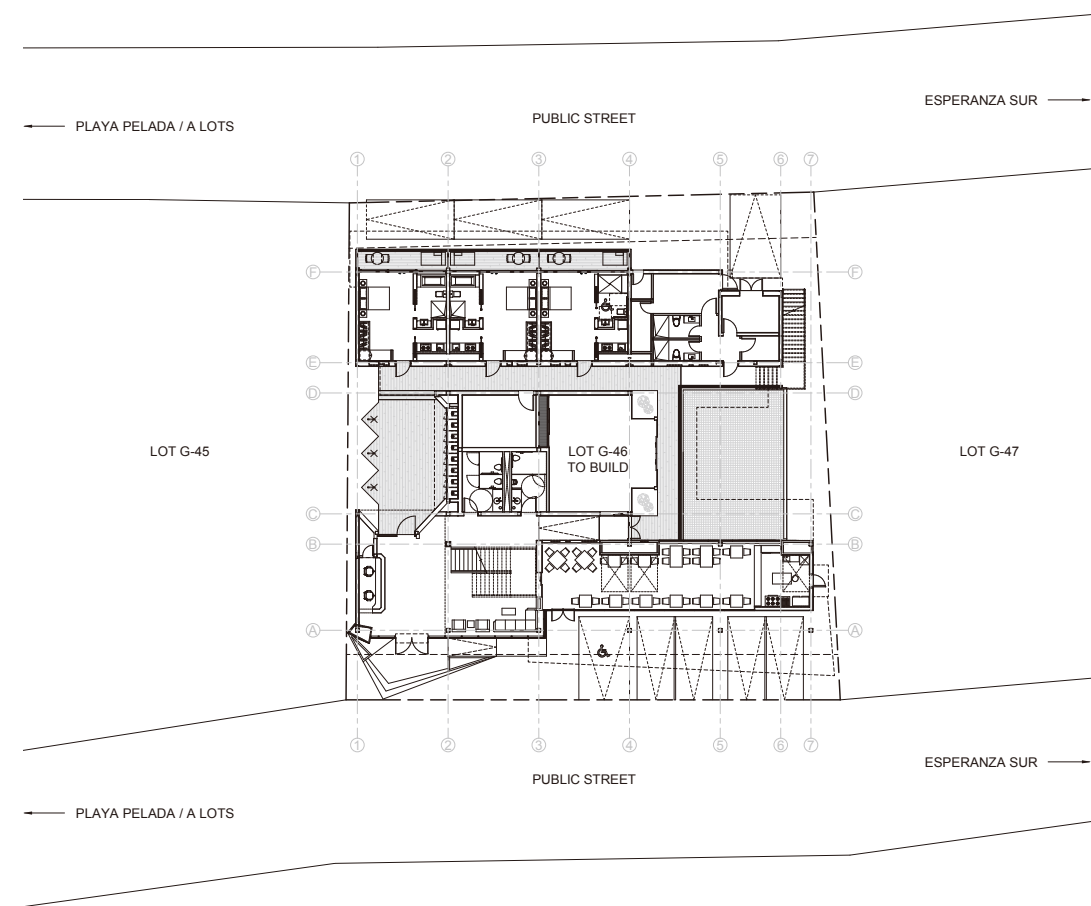
Design | 2023-Present



Site location 1:20000



Site location 1:2000



Site plan 1:500



View of main elevation

The three-story boutique hotel is in the heart of Nosara, the town right by a series of beaches that attracts avid surfers from around the world as these surf spots are exposed to the world's most consistent waves all year long. With rich yoga and wellness culture, Nosara has also become a destination for yogis.

This project is planned with a double-height lobby, an on-site restaurant, and 10 guest rooms placed in south and north wings facing the streets, while a yoga room and the owner's condo located in the central pavilion, so that the outdoor space is well defined as two private courts featuring Japanese-style pond and subtle integration of showers and surfboard lockers.

As the portal of the project, the south wing is framed by its origami roof, which is folded in multiple places to create a series of triangular facets. The roof meets the ground at one corner with the largest triangle forming the project's entrance, then creating a form that envelops the rooftop bar as well as the guest rooms at the second floor.

Beneath the white roof with wooden soffit, façades display a mixture of glazed and concrete-clad surfaces decorated with wood slats and black painted metal structural elements. These layers of contrast, within the framework of native greenery of the site, create a contemporary fusion of Japanese style and the tropical vibe.