

Modern Design Meets Luxury Travel Trailer



Mid-century modern design comes to RVs with the Draper, one of two brands manufactured by two-year-old start-up Land Ark RV.

The Draper travel trailer is designed for an individual or couple and joins custom built sophistication with functional design.

The floor plan has the sleeping area in a rear loft and the kitchen and living room forward.

Below the loft, a mudroom entry opens into a 7-foot-wide space with a bench, shelves and a washer-dryer closet. A corridor leads past the bathroom featuring a vanity, wall-hung toilet and a full size, walk-in shower.

With large windows and patio door, the main living area opens up to a large galley kitchen and a convertible U-sofa that transforms into a queen bed.

The patio door opens to a hardwood deck that can be raised and secured for transport.

Brian Buzarde, who co-founded Land Ark RV with spouse Joni, is an architect whose approach to living space follows a modern design philosophy.

Make no mistake, these are RVs from the wheels up. Both the Draper and Drake brands meet all RV travel trailer specs and carry RVIA certification.

Now bay-building the trailers at his facility in Buena Vista, Colo., Buzarde is looking to expand into non-RV, transportable units and other small dwelling units.

For now, Buzarde sells Land Ark custom-built units directly but he is considering working with RV dealers as the company grows.

Each Draper unit has 12 windows for bright interiors, custom upholstery and washed pine walls and ceilings.

“Our intent is a design that is simple, clean and understated,” Buzarde says.

“These are designed for glamping resorts or the luxury buyer who wants to park and enjoy,” Buzarde says.

“But they are built to be pulled every day without any trouble,” he adds.

The Drake follows a similar style as the Draper but is built to sleep up to six with two lofts and multi-use living area.