

ARCHITECTURE VOCABULARY

Sketch and Define



ARCADE

- ▶ A series of adjoining arches with their supporting columns



BALUSTRADE

- ▶ A row of repeating balusters -- small posts which support the upper rail or railing



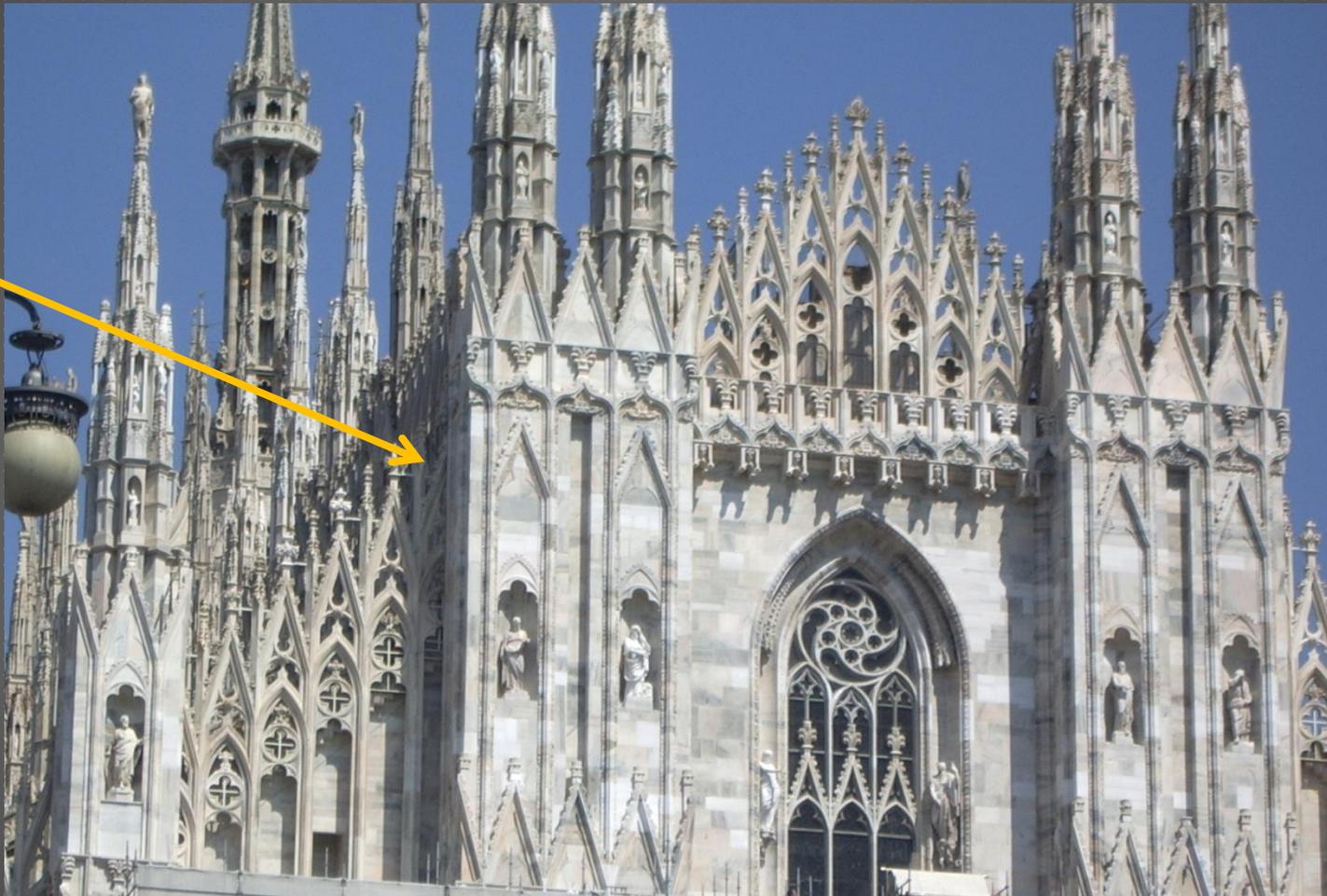
BELVEDERE

- ▶ A raised turret or pavilion.
- ▶ The Italian roots (bel= beautiful and vedere=see) describe a place from which one can see a beautiful view.



BREAKFRONT

- ▶ Building with section(s) that protrudes.



CAPTAIN'S WALK

- ▶ An observation platform built above the roof



CHIMNEY POT

- ▶ Ends of the pipes that carry smoke from the chimney to the air



*Tudor
England
went crazy
with them!*

COLONNADE

- ▶ A long sequence of columns joined by their entablature



COLUMN

- ▶ A free standing pillar



Types of Capitals -

DORIC



IONIC



CORINTHIAN



CORNICE

- ▶ uppermost section of moldings along the top of a wall or just below a roof.



CUPOLA

- ▶ a dome-shaped ornamental structure placed on the top of a larger roof or dome.



DENTIL TRIM

- ▶ An architectural decoration composed of small square projecting blocks used in a cornice (think teeth!)



EAVES

- ▶ the edge of a roof that projects beyond the side of the building



ENTABLATURE

- ▶ moldings and bands which lie horizontally above columns, resting on their capitals



FLYING BUTTRESS

- ▶ A free-standing buttress attached to the main structure by an arch or a half-arch



GABLE

- ▶ The end portion of a building formed by the roof coming together at the top



The House of Seven Gables - read the book!

GOTHIC ARCH

- ▶ a pointed arch; usually has a joint (instead of a keystone) at the apex



PEDIMENT

AN ARCHITECTURAL DECORATION ABOVE A PORTICO



Triangular



Broken



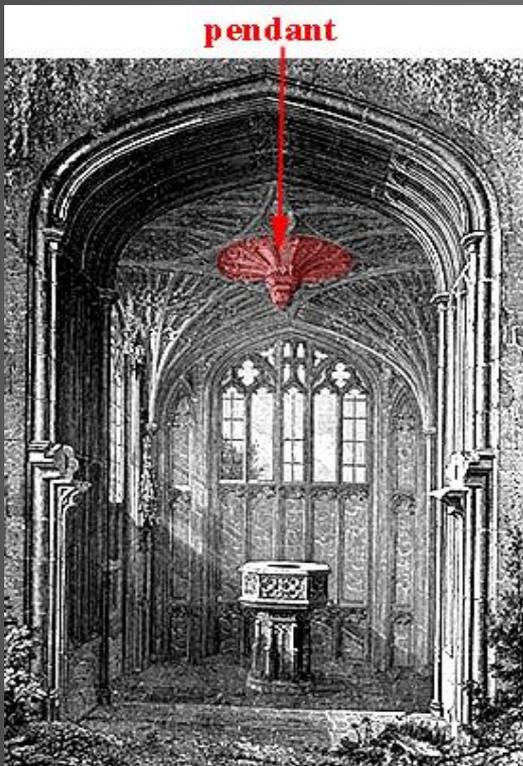
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Segmental (round)

PENDANT

- ▶ An object suspended from above



PILASTERS

- ▶ A column that is part of a wall - can be semicircular or flat



PITCH

- ▶ A slope or the degree of slope – usually refers to a roof



PORTICO

- ▶ A projection from the main structure of a building over the front entrance supported by columns, and often capped by a triangular pediment



CORNER QUOINS

- ▶ Stone surfaces that cover corners of buildings
- ▶ Alternate in length



ROMAN ARCH

- ▶ basic rounded arch, usually with a keystone – originated with the Etruscans



SHINGLES

- ▶ materials that are relatively thin, enough to be overlapped as they are put in place.



SHUTTERS

- ▶ Panels mounted on beside windows
- ▶ Originally hinged so they could swing shut over a window to protect the glass during bad weather



TIMBERS

- ▶ Wide, heavy beams of lumber



TUDOR ARCH

- ▶ variation of the Gothic arch
- ▶ Top of arch is flattened



TURRETT

- ▶ A tower, often at an angle or on the corner of a building



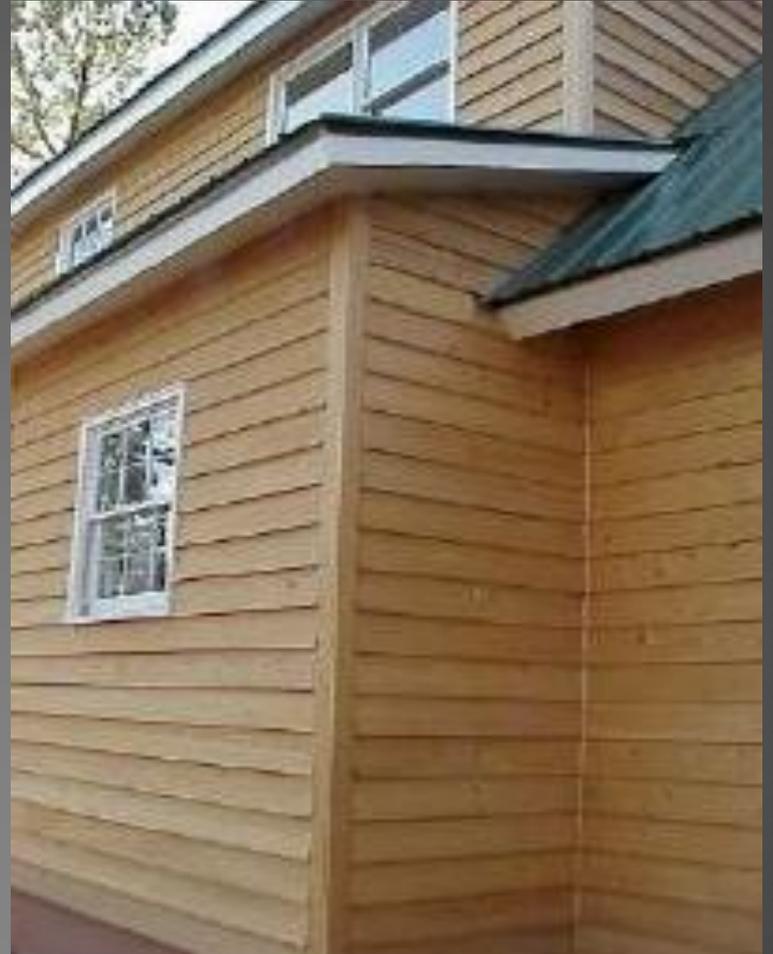
WROUGHT IRON

- ▶ Decorative metal



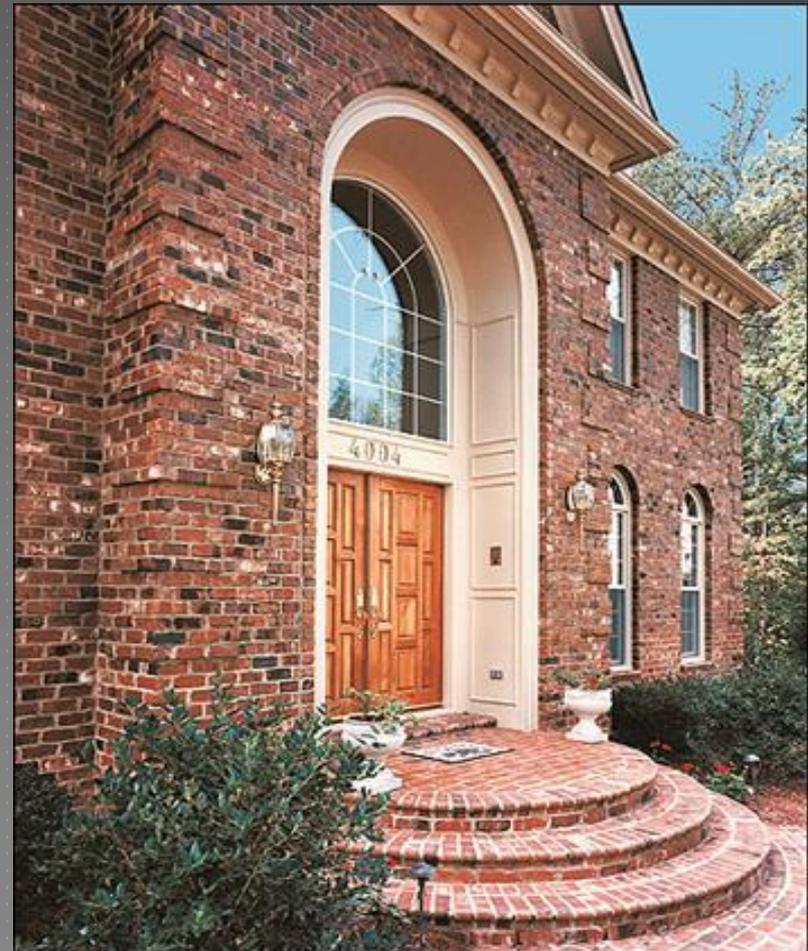
WOOD EXTERIOR

- ▶ Requires the most maintenance
- ▶ Not as expensive as brick
- ▶ Type depends on supply, location, cost



BRICK EXTERIOR

- ▶ One of the most expensive
- ▶ Low or no maintenance



SIDING

- ▶ Inexpensive
- ▶ Aluminum or vinyl
- ▶ Low or no maintenance



STONE EXTERIOR

- ▶ Price depends on market
- ▶ Low or no maintenance
- ▶ Can be as much as brick



HALF TIMBER

- ▶ Construction of timber frame having the spaces filled with masonry or plaster
- ▶ Most of current construction is decorative



ROOF TYPES

► A-Frame



ROOF TYPES

► Dovecote



ROOF TYPES

► Flat



ROOF TYPES

► Gambrel



ROOF TYPES

► High Pitch



ROOF TYPES

► Low Pitch



ROOF TYPES

► Hipped



ROOF TYPES

► Mansard



ROOF TYPES

► Saltbox



ROOF TYPES

► Shed



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DORMER WINDOWS

- ▶ A window in a small gable-like projection built out from a sloping roof



PALLADIAN WINDOW

- ▶ A window consisting of three vertical parts, with the central part higher than the flanking ones and topped with a fanlight

