Energy Efficiency Strategies — Warm Climates

Historically Useful Then and Now

Wide, overhanging eaves form two-story, wrap-around porch to shield building from the sun and provide shaded outdoor work and living space.

Thick adobe walls provide substantial thermal mass that slows passive heating and cooling. Rooms stay cool even on hot summer days and warm when heated in the cooler months.

Large shade trees near house.

Interior shutters can be closed to reduce solar gain.

For more information go to www.PreservationNation.org/Weatherization to find additional resources.