

# Griffin Ranches Somerton, Arizona



**Design InSite worked closely with the Griffin family to create their new farm office. The family moved to the Yuma Valley to homestead and farm in 1917. Five of the six grandchildren are actively working on the farm.**

Nearing their 100-year anniversary, the Griffins decided it was time to move from cramped quarters in the original family home and trailers into a new office. In order to save precious farmland, the Griffins made a difficult decision to tear down the original homestead. Working with Design InSite they creatively reused the planks of the old wash house for wainscoting along the new office hallway.



Produce crate and carton labels dating back to the 1960's were framed as artwork and are displayed above the wood wainscoting, visible to all from the reception area. Another nod to the past is a surveying instrument used for measuring land. This is believed to be from the 1930's and was used on the farm for many years.

An antique corner cabinet in the conference room holds several of the Griffin heirlooms and historical photos adorn the walls. Goose decoys from the 1930's used when hunting on the nearby Colorado River are now displayed on an accent wall.

This project is a perfect example of a functional, visually pleasing space that also reflects the client's history and deep ties to the local farming community.



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