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ZECC ARCHITECTEN HOUSE IN VRIEZENVEEN Vriezenveen, Netherlands

This remarkable residential property is a prime example of how the Dutch landscape is being transformed. Historic farmhouses are making way for new, artificial abstract dwellings. The land itself is increasingly being used for recreational purposes rather than for agriculture. The dark silhouettes of the historic farmhouses provided the most important source of inspiration for this statuesque house in Vriezenveen. The house is lengthened by an upper floor consisting of two separate elements that are offset towards the front and rear of the building. This produces a silhouette of apparently separate sections that stands out in the surrounding area. In addition, the formation of the upper floor creates a covered terrace at the rear and a carport at the front – elements that had been requested in the project brief.