



Stylish Florida home wins MRA's Best U.S. Residential Metal Roofing Project Award for hurricane preparedness

Q4 2024 Winner

Like prize fighters, this quarter's winner of the [Metal Roofing Alliance's \(MRA\) Best Residential Roofing Project](#) competition shines the spotlight on a lightweight contender that is proving to punch far beyond its weight class, beating out an industry heavyweight.

Such is the case for a beautiful 6,000 square foot home located on Dona Bay in Nokomis, Florida. The homeowners were searching for a long-term, durable roofing solution that could survive the direct blows the home had sustained during Hurricane Ian in 2022. The old heavy concrete tile roof had suffered major damage, so the homeowners decided to replace it with a quality metal roof in a stunning slate style from [EDCO Products](#), installed by [Metal Roofing Headquarters](#) (also known as [MRHQ Roofs](#)). The new metal roof offers numerous benefits—beautiful curb appeal, superior wind resistance, strong and long-lasting performance with minimal long term maintenance requirements.

"It's a literal fortress for your home," said Jonathan Boyer, co-owner and director of operations for Metal Roofing Headquarters.

Metal also is much lighter weight, an advantage that came into the spotlight when removing the old concrete tile roof. Given the incredible weight of the old material, Metal Roofing Headquarters had to use extreme caution to not damage the home's pool, landscape and driveway during removal, setting up a specialized chute system to fill dump trucks that made continual trips to the concrete recycling facility, adding hassle, expense and time to the removal process.

But could metal really outperform such a heavyweight when it came to severe storms? The proof is in performance. The previous tile roof was badly damaged by Category 3 Hurricane Ian in 2022. Afterward, the roof was replaced with metal and in 2024, the home took a direct hit from Category 3 Hurricane Milton. The new metal roof suffered zero damage.

“Premium metal roofs come with a long list of obvious benefits, like beauty, strength, longevity, return on investment, and environmental friendliness. At the end of the day, the peace of mind you get from knowing your home and family will be protected for 50 plus years is probably the biggest benefit of all,” Stefan Boyer, co-owner and director of marketing for Metal Roofing Headquarters.

From the homeowner’s perspective, they love their new metal roof. Even though concrete tile has traditionally been considered a high-end roofing material, they view their new metal shingle roof as an upgrade.

With this phase of the competition now closed, the search is on for MRA’s Best Residential Metal Roofing project for the first quarter of 2025. Open to U.S. and Canada homeowners, contractors, installers and manufacturers, MRA officials partner with Metal Coffee Shop to select an outstanding metal roofing project based on entries received each quarter. Honors are awarded for project appearance, performance and originality/use of materials. Interested participants can find information about how to enter and competition rules online at Metal Coffee Shop
<https://www.metalcoffeeshop.com/contests-and-games/residential-metal-roofing-photo-contest-sponsored-by-metal-roofing-alliance>

