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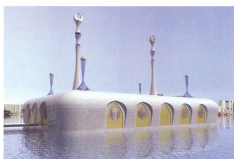
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At home in a warming world

Floating mosques, houses and hotels are among a raft of food-friendly new designs from Dutch architects Waterstudio.

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Homes for a warming world



With sea levels now expected to rise twice as fast as previously forecast, the race is on among architects for the most future-proof homes. These clever designs mean your home would stay standing, whatever the weather.

Waterstudio's floating villas [left] offer a stylish throwback to the Ark, while Dome of a Home's elegant monolith [right] – built to withstand winds of up to 300mph – has survived Hurricanes Ivan and Katrina.