

# Creating a Cathedral Ceiling

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The information in this article applies to:



## QUESTION

I want to create a room with a cathedral ceiling. How do I do this?



# ANSWER

When a room's ceiling is pitched rather than flat it is referred to as either a cathedral or vaulted ceiling. Cathedral ceilings are the same pitch as the roof and are typically produced by enclosing the bottoms of the roof rafters with a ceiling material.

Vaulted ceilings, while similar, do not share the same pitch as the roof, and are often framed using scissor trusses. If you are interested in a Vaulted Ceiling rather than a Cathedral, please see the [Related Articles](#) section below.

## To create a cathedral ceiling

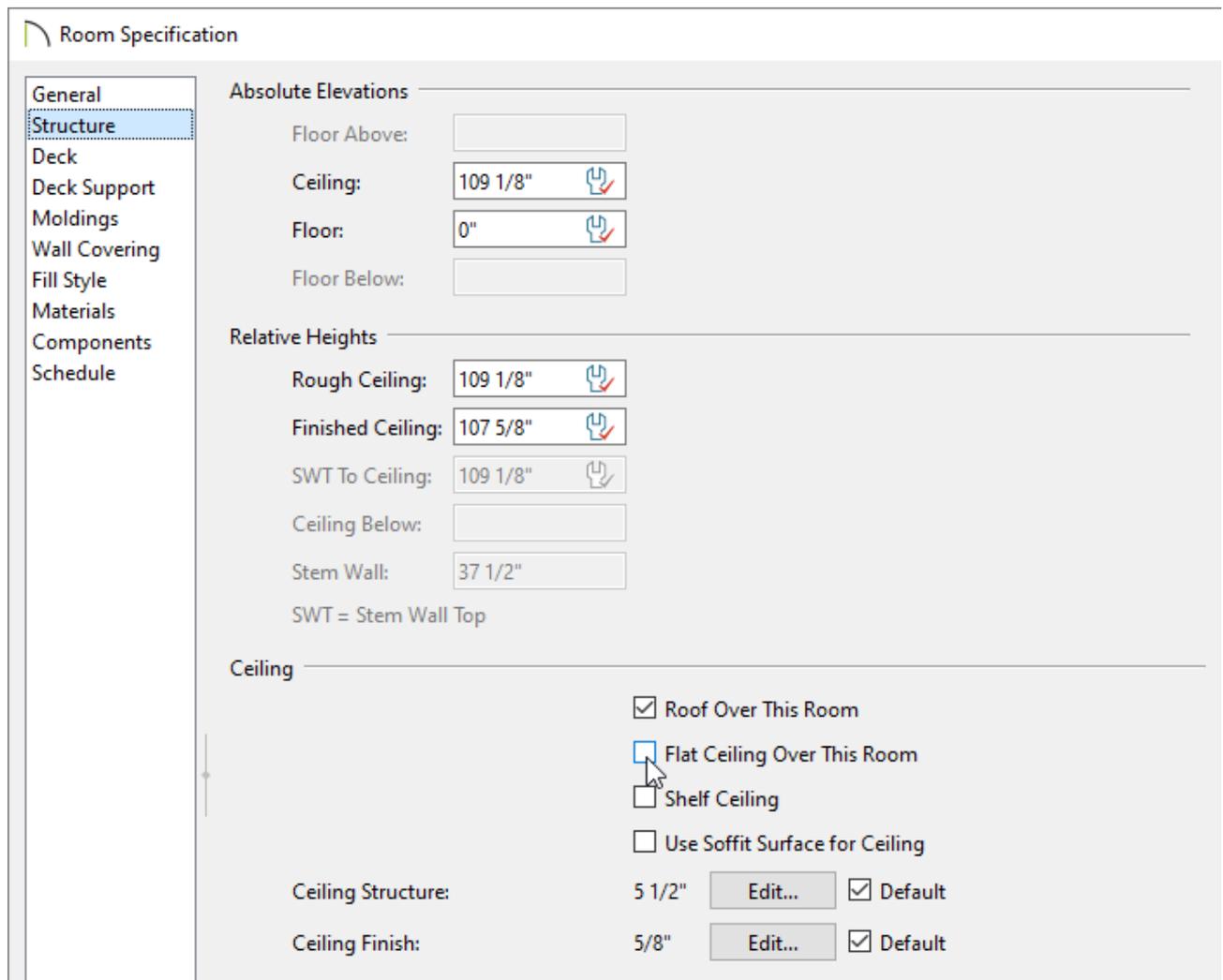
1. **Open**  an existing Chief Architect plan in which you would like to create a cathedral ceiling.
2. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, click in an empty space of a defined room to select it.

**Note:** In order for this method to work, the selected room must have a roof built directly above it, rather than a living space on the floor above.

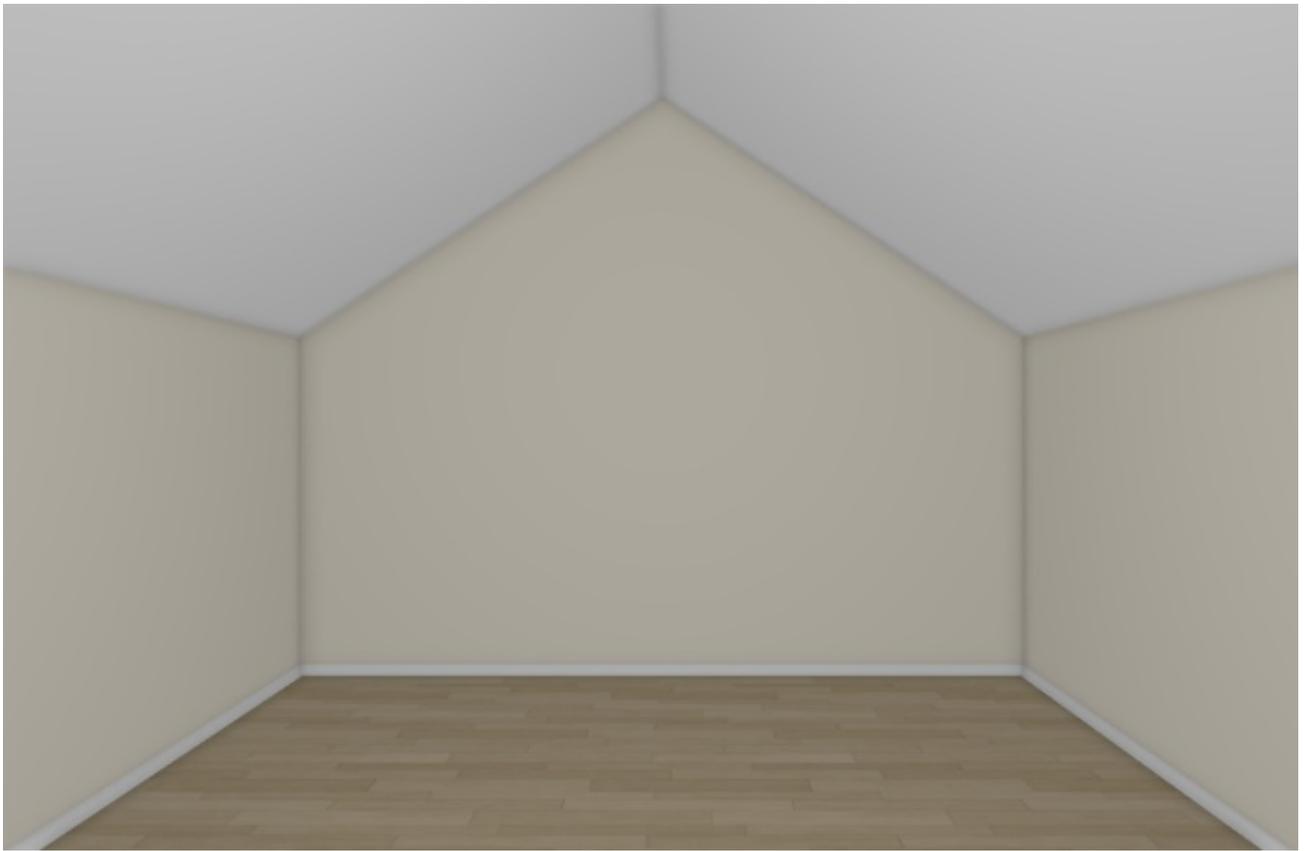
3. With the room selected, click the **Open Object**  edit button.

In X15, an edit tool called "Turn Off Ceiling" was introduced. This tool allows you to easily, and quickly, remove the flat ceiling in a selected room without the need to open the Room Specification dialog.

4. On the **STRUCTURE** panel of the **Room Specification** dialog that displays, uncheck **Flat Ceiling Over This Room**, then click **OK**.



5. Navigate to **3D> Create Perspective View> Full Camera**  , then click and drag inside the room to view the result.



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