



## Hillside Hideaway

LUXURY LIVING IS no longer confined to the walls of the home—at least not for these Connecticut homeowners. Thanks to Michael Gotowala, founder of the Outdoor Kitchen Design Store by Preferred Properties, this stately home now boasts elegance both inside and out.

From the beginning, Gotowala set out to translate the family's indoor comforts and lifestyle amenities to the great outdoors, giving them an idyllic spot to relax, dine, and just enjoy time outside with friends and family. The first step was installing a beautiful gunite pool, complete with a spill-over Hamptons spa for added impact. With meandering walls and columns to complement the sloping hillsides nearby, it offers a relaxing respite for homeowners and guests alike.

Next was a spacious, poolside, open-air pavilion, offering luxuries like a stunning bronze sink, a TV, an EVO grill, a fireplace, and bar-style seating, so entertaining is a year-round affair no matter what the weather.

As a final touch, a stunning stone patio leads back toward the house, where a separate outdoor kitchen area connects the deck of the main house to the pool and pavilion area. Completely covered and shielded from the elements, the outdoor kitchen allows for food, conversation, and fun more than 10 months out of the year. «

**SPECIAL FEATURES**  
Complete backyard resort-style oasis; outdoor kitchen pavilion complete with wood-burning fireplace, Evo grill, plenty of seating, and views to the gorgeous pool and hot tub

**PRODUCTS USED**  
Grill: Evo  
Fireplace: Wood-burning stone

**PHOTOGRAPHER**  
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### ABOUT THE DESIGNER

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