MIDSOUTH Into a Fresh, New Backyard Reinventing an Outdoor Living Space

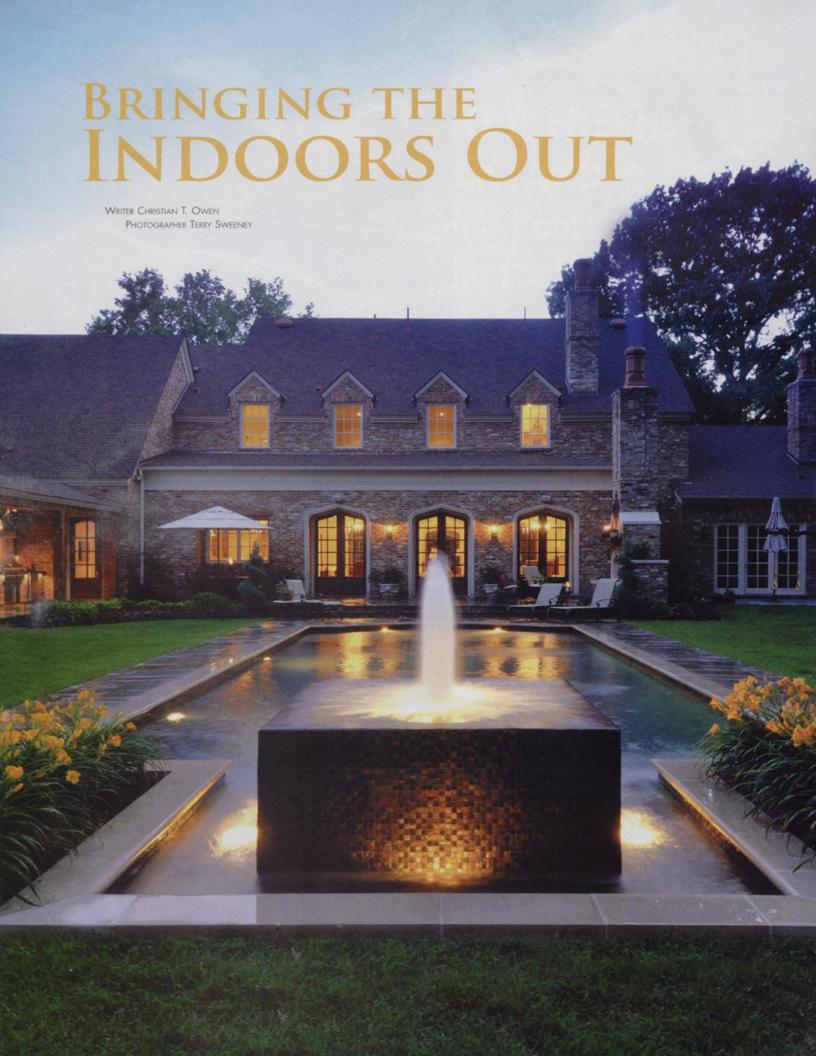
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BRIAN BREWER CHARACTERIZES THE CREATION of a new

landscape as "bringing the indoors out." Which, Brewer adds, "makes your home and your outdoor living areas become one." Brewer has been in the landscaping business since 1987. Two examples of recent swimming pool designs and installations by Brewer's Pool and Landscaping Co., Inc. demonstrate the versatility involved when approaching each client's specific needs.

The first pool was designed to create a straightforward, clean elegant feel.

"As the main focal point of the pool," Brewer describes, "we designed a raised fountain which spills over into the pool. On all four sides the entire fountain is veneered with glass tile inside and out. Using glass tile allows for terrific color especially at night with the lights on or when the sunlight hits the tile at certain times of the day."

These Oceanside tiles have about six different colors of glass tile, which they blended in different percentages to create an individualized yet uncomplicated look. Glass tile is continued around the water line of the pool. Limestone coping with bluestone decking is used around the pool and patio. A shallow wet deck area with bluestone paving provides space with about 10 inches of water, ideal for a kiddie play area and an adult sitting area.

At the upper patio we designed and constructed an outdoor fireplace that matches the architecture of the home. We used Indiana Limestone along with aged brick and cedar for the mantel. The location of the fireplace allows for cozy seating with-

out blocking views of the pool and water feature.

Along the covered breezeway entering the rear door of the house, Brewer designed and installed an outdoor kitchen area. "The outdoor kitchen and fireplace area is a wonderful addition to any home whether there is a pool or not; it allows the homeowners to use outdoor spaces for things that are sometimes only thought about being for just indoors," Brewer says.