

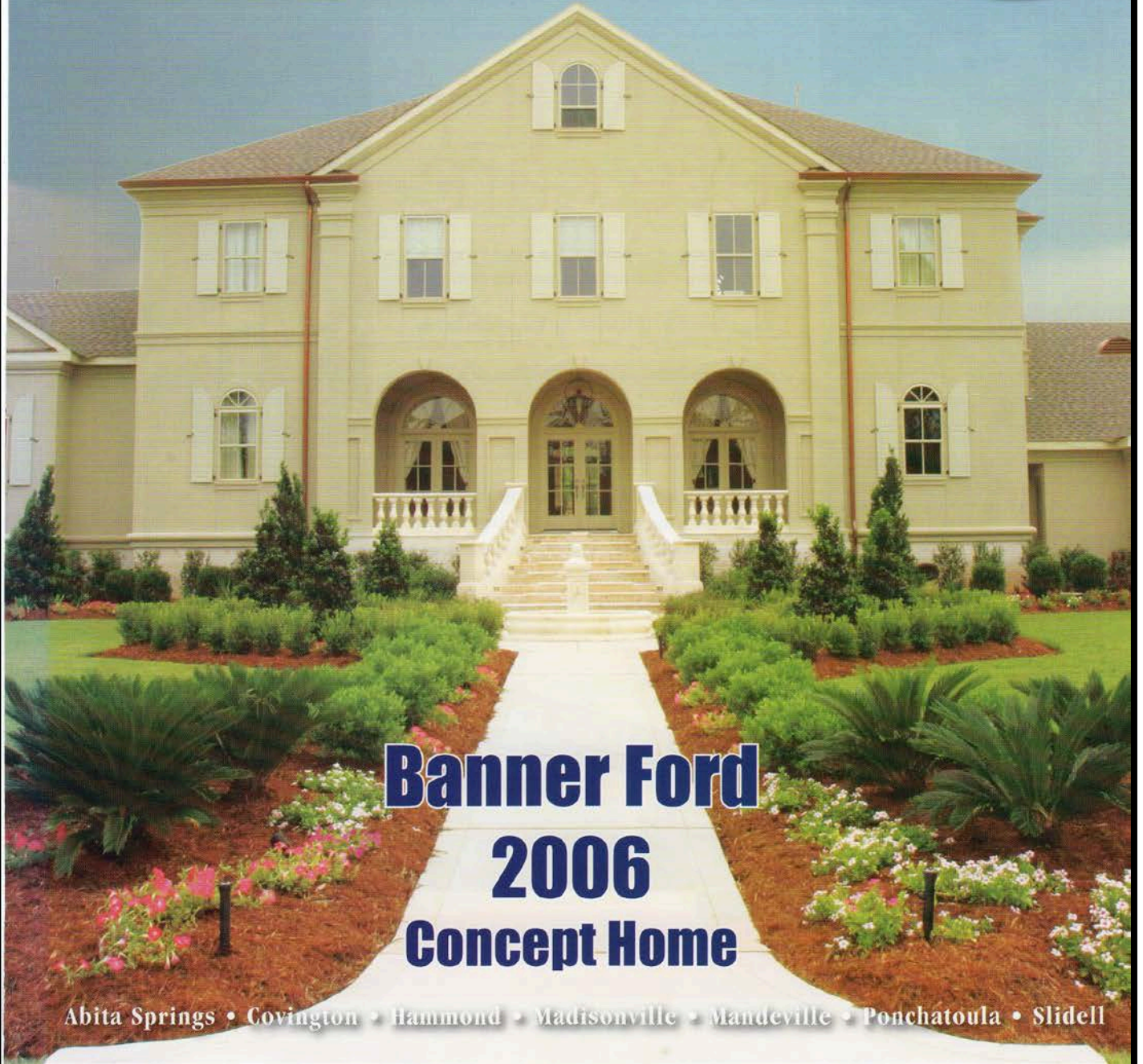
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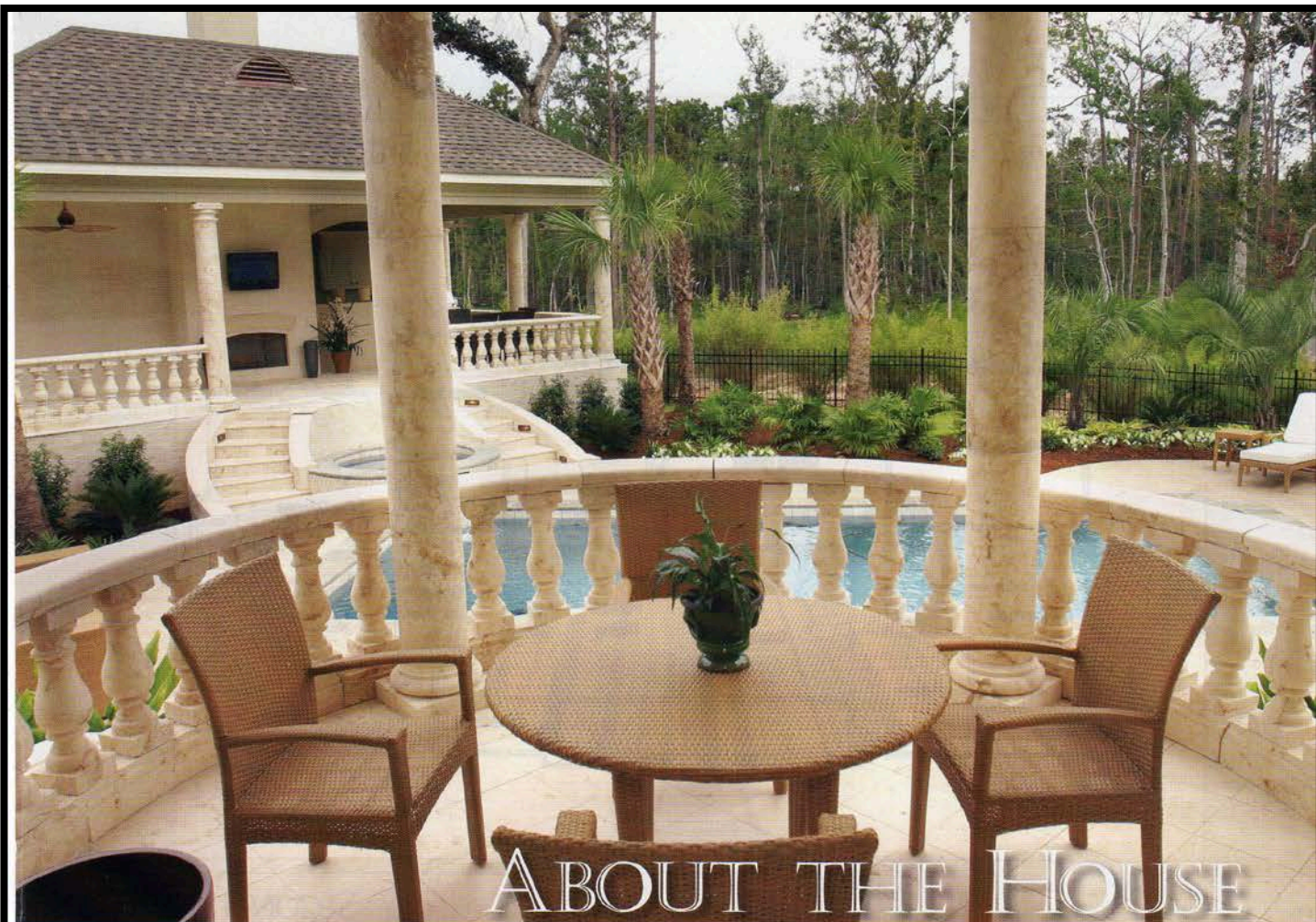


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ABOUT THE HOUSE

By Meredith Knight

When innovation meets elegance, the outcome is spectacular. That's just what's been underway in The Sanctuary in Mandeville as John Crosby Development has joined forces with leaders in the home building industry to create the Banner Ford 2006 Concept Home. This must see Mediterranean manor will be open to tour the last weekend in October and first two weekends in November with proceeds from ticket sales to benefit Bridge House.

As you step through the front door of this 6,800 square foot, five bedroom, three story home, you will enter a world of luxury and style. Designed by architect, Michael Bell, in a neoclassic composition with Mediterranean influence the palatial home is nestled on a handsome acre in The Sanctuary, Mandeville's premier gated community. Lead Designer, Ellen Bajon, has contributed her impeccable sense of design to create the interior of this home.

From the moment a visitor steps onto the front porch, they are greeted by an array of natural stone by Bella Dura Architectural Stone, a theme carried throughout the home from exterior staircases and banisters, to natural stone counter tops and a carved stone fireplace mantle, all the way to the quartz aggregate surrounding the spectacular salt water pool. Bell's design was inspired by Italian villas but updated to accommodate 21st century American living.

Reece Landscaping continued the European flavor of the home in the front yard while incorporating native Louisiana plants like irises, magnolias, camellias, and gardenias. The concept house is also a smart home with a high-performance home theater, a stereo system throughout the entire house and a video surveillance home security system complete with remote access. Mobile One @ Home has provided the next step in home entertainment and security. Champagne Elevator supplied convenience and comfort with a home elevator. It's perfect for navigating between floors.

The Banner Ford 2006 Concept Home in The Sanctuary has been the subject of a weekly series on WDSU Channel 6 documenting the progress of construction and design. For more information on the tour contact The Sanctuary at 504-674-7500 or visit www.wdsu.com.



The foyer sets the stage for drama as well as warmth. The room includes natural stone floors, stairs, wainscoting, and doorframes from Bella Dura Architectural Stone. Sylvia Berger of Georgian Furnishings chose robin's egg blue silk draperies by Casa Fiora to soften the space and make it inviting from both the exterior and interior of the home. She included a center table resting on a square wool rug to serve as a defining form, texture, and oversized surface for the dramatic Wing sculpture beyond.

Sources:
Furniture and Accessories – Georgian Furnishing
Flooring and Stone Work – Bella Dura Architectural Stone
Iron Rails – Budget Iron Works
Paint – Helm Paint and Supply
Light Fixtures – Pine Grove Electric
Millwork – Acadian Millwork

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LIVING ROOM

The living room is welcoming with its wash of natural light and spectacular view of the veranda and pool beyond. Sylvia Berger of Georgian Furnishing chose a green color scheme to mimic nature which flows seamlessly in and out of the home. The upholstered pieces from the Martha Stewart collection by Bernhardt are comfortable, stylish and quality constructed. The French styled bookcase by Habersham celebrates the large scale of the home's floor plan. It provides visual balance for the fireplace and adds a subtle combination of wood and gray tones.

The artwork and accessories add an unexpected splash of modern forms and colors spicing up the decidedly traditional flavor of the room.

Sources:
Furniture and Accessories – Georgian Furnishing
Mantle – Bella Dura Architectural Stone
Flooring – Pullian Wood Floors
Paint – Helm Paint and Supply
Millwork – Acadian Millwork



Lounging around the lavish pool, by Aquatic Custom Built Pools or entertaining in the cabana, you'll think you're vacationing on the French Riviera. Landscape Designer, Nancy Reece of Reece Landscaping deviated from the traditional European style of the front yard to accomplish this seaside look with a sultry array of palms and ginger. Golden Goddess bamboo borders the backyard and will ultimately create a lush privacy fence for sun bathers. A bevy of white petunias and caladiums add harmony to the backyard, creating a cooling sensation in the summer and blends beautifully with the creamy marble provided by Bella Dura throughout the hardscape. Scattered about you will find a lazy chaise coupled with accent tables waiting to lure swimmers to a midday siesta.

Sources:

Furniture and Accessories – Villa Vici
Landscaping – Reece Landscaping
Pool – Aquatic Custom Built Pools
Stone – Bella Dura Architectural Stone
Fence – Delta Fence
Alarm and Security Video – Mobile One Audio and Video
Pest Control – Buzz Off

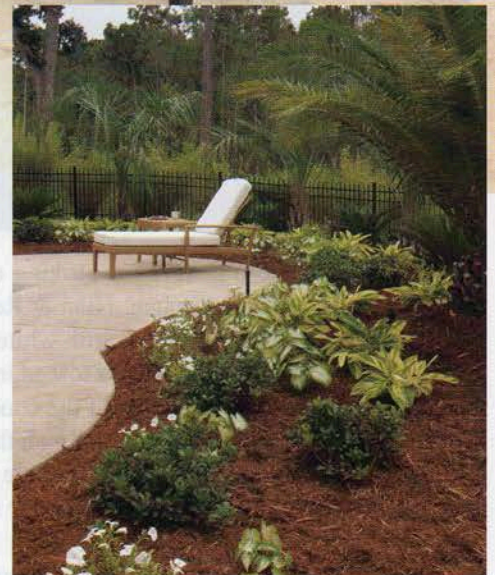


CABANA

The cabana with its fireplace, spa, flat screen television, kitchen and bath, provides a spectacular view of the gardens and pool. It is a quintessential locale for lingering with guests. The mocha wicker chairs and honey colored wooden table are from Villa Vici. Visitors may never want to leave.

Sources:

Furniture – Villa Vici
 Accessories – St. Romain Interiors
 Counter Tops – Creative Edge Works
 Plumbing Fixtures – Jeff LaPorte Plumbing – Tammany Supply
 Stone – Bella Dura Architectural Stone
 Light Fixtures – Pine Grove Electric
 Audio – Mobile One Audio and Video



The exterior of the home is accented with a contemporary gathering of outdoor furniture from Villa Vici in wicker-like weather proof material covered in Sunbrella® fabrics. The silk flowers and plants blend flawlessly with the surrounding landscape.

BREAKFAST & KEEPING ROOMS



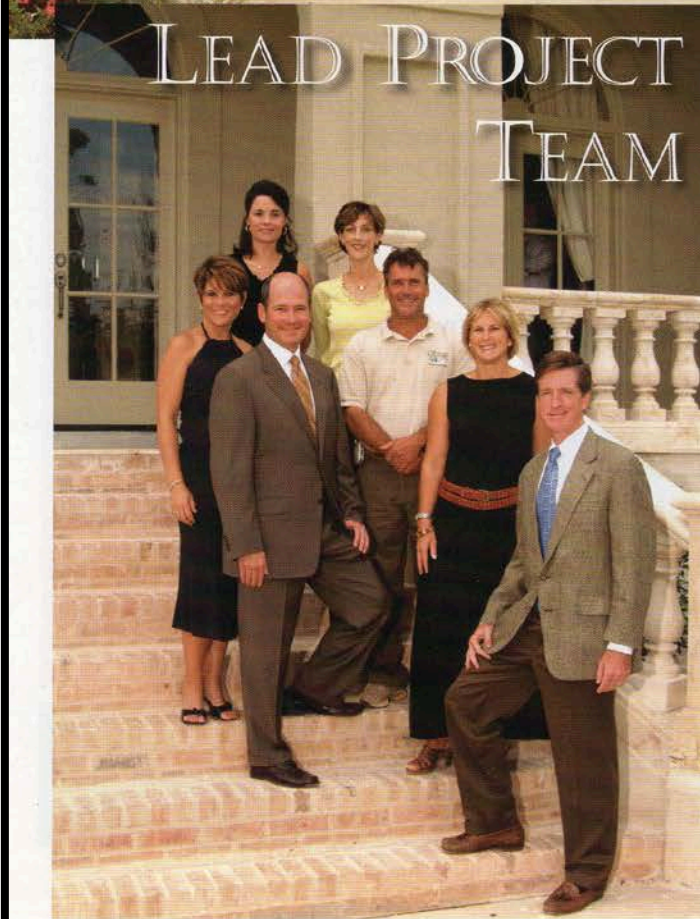
An authentic zebra skin rug is striking as the foundation of this tranquil nook just steps off the kitchen. Nina & Rene Ward of Villa Vici continued their elegantly simple approach with white denim slip covered furniture for a crisp look. Tibetan lamb pillows tossed in for a casual tone on tone appeal. A sleek sofa table hugs the back of the couch while a modern mirror-topped coffee table with an antique white finish flanks one side and a Barkley iron based martini table the other. Mobile One @ Home provided the Sony 46" flat panel HD LCD TV with six speaker surround sound and a Russound media control panel.

Sitting atop a sea grass rug, the solid wood rectangular dining table from Villa Vici has an ebony finish, leather parson chairs on either end, and coordinating X back, leather bottom chairs along the sides. Vietri tableware from St. Romain Interiors, Minka lighting from Pine Grove Electric and understatedly elegant silk taffeta panels with pinch pleat tops complete the sleek look.





PROJECT TEAM



LEAD PROJECT TEAM

(Bottom L-R)
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 Rick Flick, Tina Flick, Peggy Benit, Nancy
 Reece, Walter Berger, Sylvia Berger, Jay Berger,
 Paul Campo, Mary Kay Davis, Robert Day

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 Patrick Crosby, Builder
 Ellen Bajon, Lead Design Consultant
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