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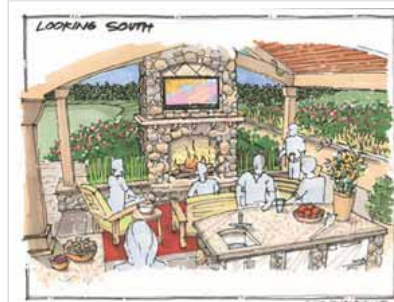
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Vitoria Stone Fair 2008; Designers cook!

VITORIA STONE FAIR 2008, BRAZIL

Each year, HOME & DESIGN Magazine sponsors a kitchen competition in cooperation with one of the world's largest natural stone expositions, the Vitoria Stone Fair in Brazil. This year's winning design of an outdoor kitchen was created by Jon Van Allen, a landscape architect with McHale Landscape Design. Mr. Van Allen received a one-week trip to Rio de Janeiro and Vitoria, Brazil, where the February 19-22 Stone Fair featured a rendition of the winning design.

Travelers to this year's Vitoria Stone Fair included HOME & DESIGN publisher, Tod Herbers; Elice Esveld of GranTops, Frederick, MD; Jon Van Allen, winning designer, McHale Landscape Design; and Mike Giacalone and Haroldo Seidel, also of GranTops. The group went inland from coastal Vitoria to a small quarry where blocks of granite are cut from the mountainside; and to the Zucchi Granite Group's manufacturing plant where slabs are cut, sealed and polished.



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DESIGNERS COOK!

L'Auberge Chez François chef Jacques Haeringer was teacher and entertainer for local designers enjoying his cooking class at the Viking kitchen showroom in Sterling, VA. Hosted by Hadco and HOME & DESIGN on Wednesday, March 19, Jacques explained such things as the art of savory bouillabaisse.



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Enjoying the flavors of their work are, from left, Marlies Venute (Marlies Venute Interiors), Cindy Vana (The Gulick Group), Susan Gulick (Susan Gulick Interiors) and Elise Seidita (Loudoun Design Center).

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