

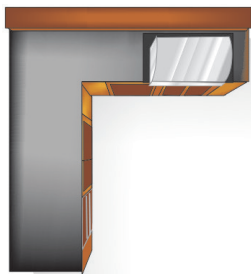


## Suburban Splendor

LIVING BEYOND THE walls of your home outdoors can be oh so fabulous, according to professional outdoor kitchen designer Michael Gotowala. And he should know. As the founder of the Outdoor Kitchen Design Store by Preferred Properties, he has personally designed countless high-end open-air living areas.

When this family living in residential Cheshire, Connecticut, wanted an al fresco space where they could host small gatherings and intimate outdoor dinner parties with friends, they turned to Gotowala to create a delectable design. Installing a new Wolf mahogany deck as the platform, he added an outdoor kitchen outfitted with Brown Jordan cabinetry, a Summitt refrigerator integrated with a Brown Jordan panel, and an island with a DCS by Fisher & Paykel grill.

With the culinary side covered, he further fostered great conversation among guests by incorporating a remote-controlled fire pit with granite surround. The fire pit ignites with just the flip of a switch, and family and friends can gather around in the unique handcrafted rockers made from whiskey barrels. Now the site of suburban splendor, this stunning outdoor living area is the go-to spot for fun for this family and their friends. *Learn more about this designer at [www.outdoorkitchendesigner.com](http://www.outdoorkitchendesigner.com).* «



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**SPECIAL FEATURES**  
 New mahogany deck,  
 outdoor kitchen with  
 paneled refrigerator  
 and 36-inch grill,  
 remote-controlled fire  
 pit, handcrafted rockers  
 made from whiskey  
 barrels

**PRODUCTS USED**  
 Cabinetry: Brown Jordan  
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 Grill: DCS by Fisher &  
 Paykel 36-inch  
 Refrigerator: Summitt  
 two-pull with Brown  
 Jordan front panel  
 Fire Pit: HPC 400,000  
 BTU remote insert  
 Stone Work: Custom by  
 Preferred Properties  
 Decking: Wolf PVC



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