



## Al Fresco and Fabulous

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN outdoor living and fabulous outdoor living begins with an amazing design and ends with meticulous workmanship. Want proof? Check out this multilevel outdoor living area by Michael Gotowala of the Outdoor Kitchen Design Store by Preferred Properties.

The upper-level mahogany deck features an open-air kitchen defined by an L-shaped stone island topped with large full slabs of granite. With an impressive 36-inch DCS by Fisher & Paykel grill at its heart, the island is also equipped with a power burner, refrigerator, cabinetry, and a trash pullout. Gotowala even incorporated barstool seating for four positioned along the side of the island that would afford views of the sprawling deck as well as the pool and landscape below. On the other side of the upper level, a bar complete with an ice bin, beverage center, and wine cooler add even more entertainment value.

The fun continues below deck. Just off the pool, the lower level outdoor great room is adorned with a fireplace, curved granite dining booth, heat, lighting, and TV, making it a popular post no matter the season or weather. By building all these luxury amenities into a gorgeous stone and mahogany framework, Gotowala created a truly fabulous outdoor living space for these Connecticut clients. *Learn more about this designer at [www.outdoorkitchendesigner.com](http://www.outdoorkitchendesigner.com).* «



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**SPECIAL FEATURES**  
Multilevel outdoor living  
design, fully equipped  
outdoor kitchen an bar,  
open-air great room  
outfitted for fabulous  
entertaining no matter  
the weather

**PRODUCTS USED**  
Cabinetry: Brown Jordan  
Countertops: Bahamian  
Yellow granite  
Grill: DCS by Fisher &  
Paykel 36-inch  
Power Burner: Alfresco  
Refrigerator: True  
Beverage Center:  
Alfresco  
Wine Cooler: True  
Island: The Outdoor  
Kitchen Design Store  
Dining Bench: Custom  
stone by Preferred  
Properties  
Lighting: Outdoor  
lighting by JUNO  
designed by Michael  
Gotowala  
Deck: Mahogany  
plank flooring,  
mahogany posts with  
black fiberglass rails,  
weatherproof and  
waterproof system  
below deck  
Stone: Montville Stone  
vener  
Stucco: STO Swirl finish  
stucco



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