

OUTDOOR LIVING SPACE

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A Mediterranean style estate nestled in the foothills of the Santa Catalina Mountains creates an inviting setting for outdoor living. The homeowners, recent empty-nesters, wanted a comfortable, pool-side retreat designed for two.

The challenge was melding the clients' selection of maintenance free

stainless steel cabinetry and appliances with their desire for an old-world, sea-side aesthetic.

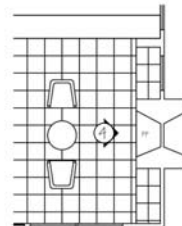
To fulfill their vision, large sandstone tiles carpet the entire length of the patio, setting a sandy stage with both color and texture. Custom glazed tile in earthy hues and island-inspired furnishings were incorporated to convey classic warmth. Weathered, crackle patina and grape cluster motif accent tiles

enhance the backsplash. Shaped to resemble a small row boat, the peninsula top was finished with a rustic chiseled edge. Wrought iron accents, antique doors and colorful fabrics complete the look. The mood is very sun-washed, reminiscent of summer days in Sardinia.

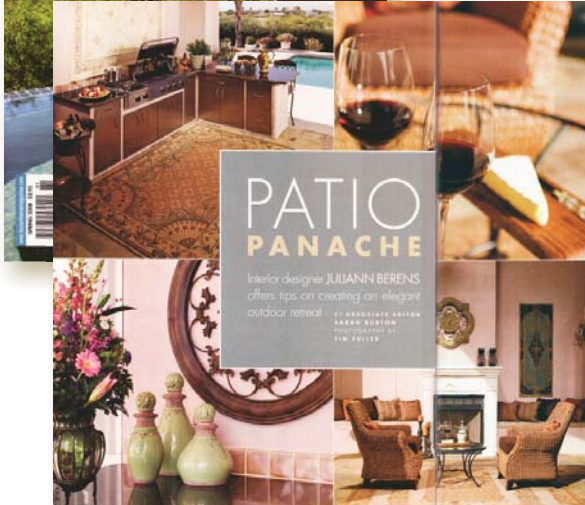
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④ OUTDOOR FIREPLACE ELEVATION
SCALE: 3/8" = 1'-0"



FLOOR PLAN
SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"



When empty-nesters hired interior designer Julianne Berens, AIA/Member AIA, they were after a small, comfortable retreat for their outdoor space. It was an easy feat when used patio, except for a large Mediterranean-style home. But client design strategy combined with luxury and classic accessories transformed a mere patio into a full-blown outdoor room that Berens offers guidance for making over any outdoor living space.

Take it outside
Expanded their living area by creating a built-in outdoor space in the back of their home. The outdoor kitchen was designed to be used with every season. This includes a comfortable, colorful and well-maintained space. It also includes a large Mediterranean-style home. But client design strategy combined with luxury and classic accessories transformed a mere patio into a full-blown outdoor room that Berens offers guidance for making over any outdoor living space.

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