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## Outdoor SPACES

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KITCHENS,  
SPAS +  
FIRE PITS

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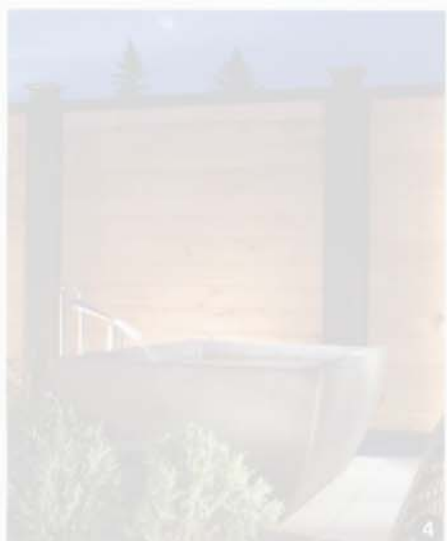
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# going GREEN

The latest eco-friendly products make sustainable living a breeze

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## SPACE SAVER

1. Caroma's Invisi Series II wall-hung toilet features Smartflush technology, which conserves water through a high-efficiency, low-flush system, saving as much as 330 gallons of water a year per person. With plumbing hidden inside the wall, it is ideal for smaller bathrooms. [caromausa.com](http://caromausa.com)

## A REFINED PROCESS

2. Sina Pearson Textiles' new Global Village Collection of indoor/outdoor fabric uses a polypropylene fiber by-product of the petroleum refining process that would otherwise be incinerated. A GreenShield finish is designed to repel moisture in the most environmentally sound way; the fiber and yarn can be recycled

without harmful effects to the environment. [sinapearson.com](http://sinapearson.com)

## NEW AND DIFFERENT

3. Kirei Board is a strong, lightweight, durable substitute for wood—usable for furniture, cabinetry (such as the bathroom vanity pictured here), casegoods and other interior design elements. Made from reclaimed sorghum straw and no-added-formaldehyde adhesive, it creates an unusual, modern look. [kireiusa.com](http://kireiusa.com)

## LOW IMPACT

4. Earthcrete tubs from Sonoma Cast Stone are made with a recycled, concrete-like material that is lighter than regular concrete. It utilizes no river rock and 87 percent less river and delta sand, which results in a lower impact on local waterways. Tubs are available in a range of colors; embedded heating coils are optional. [sonomastone.com](http://sonomastone.com)

5. Architectural Systems, Inc.'s Sculptured Collection offers ultra-textured MDF wall panels made with no-added-urea formaldehyde. Packaged in 100 percent recycled cardboard, these panels come primed in white or unprimed for a natural wood appearance; custom finishes are also available. Pictured here in a room by J. Britto Designs. [archsystems.com](http://archsystems.com)