

HOME GUIDE



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Interior design winners work décor magic



A stunning, curved staircase creates drama at the entry to this home. The décor netted a Platinum in Interior Design for Hollub Homes and Concepto Uno.

Judges declared a tie for a Platinum between Hollub Homes/Concepto Uno and Ramon Pacheco & Associates.

For the custom home by Hollub Homes/Concepto Uno, designers found their inspiration in a selection of Latin American artwork from the clients' private collection, as well as their request for a modern approach to décor. All floors are solid hardwood, marble, or granite, with inlays of semi-precious stones. The kitchen has solid wood cabinetry accented by a custom-made bronze and marble backsplash.

Moldings in every room complement coffered, trayed and embellished ceilings. Furnishings upholstered in handmade silk fabrics and handmade silk Persian rugs work together in the design.

Open floor plans allow kitchens to become multi-purpose spaces



For many buyers, kitchens are one of the most important rooms in a home. Today's kitchen, of course, is much more than a place to cook. Modern floor plans open them to other living spaces like family or great rooms so they become gathering places and conversation areas for family and friends, and food preparation may or may not take place. Winners in the Kitchen division show how the design and décor of these spaces can blend with other areas of the home, yet be completely functional as well.



Judges announced a tie for a Florida's BEST Platinum award between a kitchen created by Hollub Homes and Rick's Cabinet Tree, and an entry by Dale's Five Star General Contractor.

The Hollub Homes - Rick's Cabinet Tree kitchen and butler's pantry, designed for a custom home at St. Andrews Country Club in Palm Beach County, has cherry wood cabinets with a rich, rubbed caramel finish, fluting, end panels and carved crown moldings that turn the space almost into a work of art. Creamy granite countertops feature caramel accents. An oil-rubbed bronzed hanging depicting a fruit basket accents a custom backsplash in golden Sienna marble that blends beautifully with the cabinetry. Appliances include a Thermador 48-inch gas range with two self-cleaning ovens, while above the range there is a convenient potfiller faucet. A separate Thermador appliance combines electric, convection and microwave ovens with a warming drawer.

A stainless steel double sink next to the dishwasher and a vegetable sink in the work island allow more than a 48-inch dual-fuel range, a built-in 48-inch refrigerator, and a warming drawer.

Solid cherry wood door cabinets with fluting and end panels, carved crown molding, and a decorative, carved hood over the cook top, all in a rich, rubbed caramel finish, work together to make this kitchen by Hollub Homes and Rick's Cabinet Tree an outstanding one. A custom oil-rubbed bronze plaque depicting a fruit basket accents the custom backsplash in gold sienna marble.