

# HBA showcases Italian-style country estate at Starwood by Bella Custom Homes

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The "Villa Toscana," a 2006 Italian-style country estate at Starwood by Bella Custom Homes, is this week's featured home by the Home Builders Association of Greater Dallas.



This week, the Home Builders Association of Greater Dallas is spotlighting a Bella Custom Homes 2006 Italian-style country estate at Starwood.

The property is on large lot atop one of the highest points at the community, offering scenic views. Located at 5343 Buena Vista Drive, it was furnished by J. Douglas Design.

The villa has five bedrooms, five full baths and three half-baths. The home, with 7,250 square feet of living space, includes Rohl European plumbing fixtures, Fine Arts lighting fixtures, Pella windows and the latest in Smart Home technology.

A travertine front drive leads to a hand-forged iron door. A salotto features archways, cream walls and stone-paved flooring. A cast-stone fireplace is topped by an antique mirror. Large windows offer views of mature cypresses. Also featured are a gold-flecked iron handrail on the free-standing staircase, a vaulted ceiling and a dome with frescoes of the Tuscan countryside.

A marble fireplace, maple-paneled walls and a coffered ceiling are featured in the library.

The master suite offers hand-textured and gently glazed walls, decorative antique-finished moldings and hardwood flooring. The master bath has a vaulted ceiling and a glazed metallic dome, a marble mosaic imported from Italy on the wall, floor and steps leading to a jetted tub and a fireplace.

"The kitchen is a cook's delight," Eleanor Visconti says. "It features all Wolf/Sub-Zero appliances, and beautiful custom cabinetry with an antique finish and handmade hardware."

The kitchen, with large windows, opens to a spacious nook and family room.

Just off the family room next to the pool is a loggia with a Granbury stone fireplace and an outdoor kitchen with granite countertops and a Wolf grill.

Also included are a movie theater with stadium seating and a game room with a wet bar, powder bath and private balcony lined by stone balustrades.

Bella Custom Homes is a family-owned and -operated company dedicated to providing a high level of service, say the husband-and-wife owners, Tony and Eleanor Visconti,

"We greet each new project with imaginative energy and artistic passion," Ms. Visconti says. "Providing clients with one-on-one service and steadfast attention to detail lets Bella build a home with quality craftsmanship and, most importantly, client satisfaction."

To visit from the Dallas North Tollway, go north and merge onto Dallas Parkway. Turn left on Lebanon and turn right into Starwood. Turn left past the guard gate, turn right on Orchard Park, which turns into Buena Vista Drive, and the home is on the left. It is open from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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