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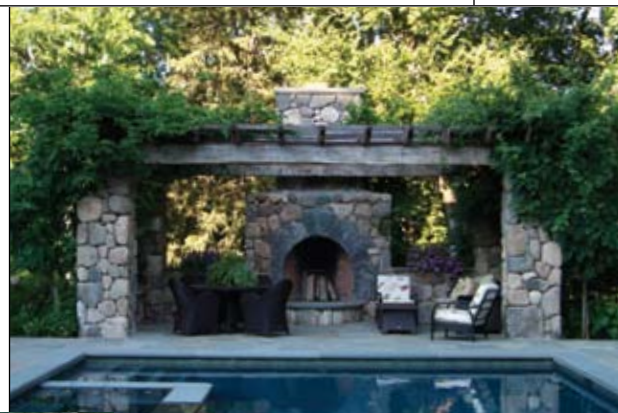


PERGOLA DES ARTISTES

Sun reflecting off pool decking can cause the temperature on a patio to skyrocket. This pergola provides a shady escape while still allowing guests to be close to the pool. Hand-hewn chestnut beams provide the ceiling for wisteria covered pergola below. **Hoffman Landscapes**, 647 Danbury Road, Wilton CT (203) 834-9656, www.hoffmanlandscapes.com

GARDENING REQUIRES LOTS OF WATER—MOST OF IT IN THE FORM OF PERSPIRATION.
—LOU ERICKSON

A FLOWER IS AN EDUCATED WEED.
—LUTHER BURBANK



STATUESQUE

Statuary adds both interest and folly to any garden. Below, an Italian statue resting among the petunias almost invites you to join her, or at least smile as you pass. Antique obelisk resting in a taxus hedge, right, creates an integration of ornamentation and vegetation for added interest. **Wilber & King Garden Design**, (203) 488-0201.



CONVERSATION PIECE

Here's looking at you kid. Statuary from **Scott's Nursery Landscape Supplies**, 322 Kent Road, New Milford, CT (860) 350 8295, www.scotts-landscapingandnursery.com



THE TROUBLE WITH GARDENING IS THAT IT DOES NOT REMAIN AN AVOCATION. IT BECOMES AN OBSESSION.—PHYLLIS MCGINLEY