

## Poolish choices

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pool, but they also flow into entire backyard entertainment complexes.

Wood is the overwhelming choice for such decking detail and it's ensier on bare feet than brick, concrete or ceramic tile. If you do choose tile for a special effect, remember that slick, wet tile can be lethally slippery, particularly if there are young children around who never walk when they can run.

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Pool floors can be installed on interior pools to make swimming spaces do double duty. And, where climate permits, a pool can be integrated into an indoor/outdoor arrangement.

## Free seminar

Soulliere Decorative Stone will hold a free seminar on various ways homeowners can use interlocking paving bricks on Saturday, May 21, at 4454 Twenty-two Mile Road, Utica. To register, call 739-0020. FOR THOSE WHO LIKE to listen to water music but aren't physically inclined, the water garden is an old-fashioned lily pond gone uptown. Like regular pools, ponds can be constructed with concrete (the most expensive), fiberglass or vinyl liners. Shallow ponds can even be improvised using a child's blow-up wading pool.

A traditional pool can cost upward of \$30,000, but real estate agents agree that adding a pool or spa will add value to a home. Properly designed, it can enhance the beauty of a home the way a setting enhances the beauty of a gem.

But what's a pool without accessories? Add a slide, a fish fountain, or go for something less permanent.

There are rafts with built-in holders for your cocktails. rubber duckies that hold ice tea drinks, floating chairs, water volleyball nets and water-resistant cameras for unforgettable shots.

Check your local pool and patio store for the latest in poolside accessories



