

Victoria

Escape to TUSCANY

Discover coastal
treasures, come
antiquing, and
savor fresh
seasonal fare



DISPLAY UNTIL AUGUST 15, 2023

EXPLORE THE CHARMS OF CORTONA



Above right: Fine fragrance abounds in our environs, whether diffused by a spritz of Aerin perfume, wafted naturally from the blossoms tucked into the brand's bud vase, or radiated from an elegant Addison Ross Orchards of Sicily candle.



Opposite: Sojourn safely with a Leatherology luggage tag and passport case and a Tory Burch wallet, displayed atop a geometric Amanda Lindroth tray. This page, below left: Enjoy flavorful seafood while using storied tableware, including antique Reed & Barton and Gorham Silver oyster forks, individual Annieglass shells, and vintage Weston Table oyster plates. Above left and page 19: Set against a Reed Smythe & Company tablecloth, the meal continues with sunny disposition. Lemon imagery alights on Julia B. dishes and linens, accentuated by a yellow-and-white Abigails plate, while Vietri cerulean glasses and alabaster flatware call to mind a cloudless sky.

Lakeside WELCOME

There is a natural ease that comes with entertaining at the water's edge. With the lake a sea of glass, a sense of peacefulness permeates the occasion. Whether guests wish to bask in the company of friends or steal away for moments of quiet reflection, the gathering promises serenity.

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Right: An ideal appetizer for our summer fête, Grilled Watermelon with Goat Cheese and Lime captures the essence of the season. Citrus sugar sweetens the fresh-cut melon slices, which begin to caramelize over the flame of the grill. A sprinkling of herbs and goat cheese readies each slice for the party.



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"A LAKE IS A LANDSCAPE'S MOST BEAUTIFUL AND EXPRESSIVE FEATURE. IT IS EARTH'S EYE; LOOKING INTO WHICH THE BEHOLDER MEASURES THE DEPTH OF HIS OWN NATURE."

—Henry David Thoreau

The vibrant fare continues with dishes highlighting the peak of seasonal produce and prepared, at least in part, ahead of time. Opposite: Grilled Trout with Corn-and-Tomato Salsa and Creamed Spinach tastes all the more satisfying when served in an alfresco setting. A mixture including baby spinach, garlic, and Parmesan creates a sumptuous bed for the mild white fish, which is topped with a colorful medley featuring grilled yellow corn and heirloom grape tomatoes. This page, below right: Multicolor rotini echoes the rainbow of hues in Zesty Pasta Salad, boasting summer squash, red bell pepper, cucumber, and kalamata olives. The final delight for the dinner plate is Grilled Garlic Bread, shown on the previous spread.



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Our easy no-churn recipe for Dark Chocolate Custard Ice Cream will be worth making throughout the summer. Flavored with vanilla extract and melted bittersweet chocolate, the silken dairy treat comes together in the stand mixer and reaches frosty perfection in the freezer. Crowning each scoop with fresh berries and mint elevates the dessert's status to truly sublime.

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Page 23: Addison Ross: Orchards of Sicily Scented Candle, \$58; +44 1668 281014, addisonrossusa.com. Aerin: Clementina Vertical Optic Texture Bud Vase in Medium, \$160, Limone Di Sicilia 1.7 oz., \$260; 347-395-7720, aerin.com. Annieglass: Shells Coquina, \$57; 800-347-6133, annieglass.com. Gorham Silver: Strasbourg (Sterling, "Gorham", 1897) Oyster Fork, \$29.99; Reed & Barton: Francis I Oyster Fork in Sterling, \$47.99, Marlborough (Sterling, 1906, No Monos) Oyster Fork, \$29.99; from Replacements, Ltd., 800-737-5223, replacements.com. Weston Table: Vintage 1940s Quinson Oyster Plate, \$168, Vintage 1960s Pillivuyt Marine Life Oyster Plate, \$110, Vintage Bordallo Pinheiro Fish Oyster Plate, call for pricing and availability; 617-899-9244, westontable.com.

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Page 32: Burgess & Leigh: Blue Bird-Regal Peacock 13" Rectangular Serving Platter, call for pricing and availability; from Replacements, Ltd., 800-737-5223, replacements.com.

Page 33: Burgess & Leigh: Blue Bird-Regal Peacock Dinner Plate, \$29.99, Blue Bird-Regal Peacock Salad Plate, \$19.99; from Replacements, Ltd. 800-737-5223, replacements.com. Juliska: Provence Rattan Placemat in Whitewash, \$62; from Bromberg's, 205-969-1776, brombergs.com. Sambonet: Filet Toiras Cutlery 5-Piece Place Setting in Mirror Steel, \$70; 201-804-8000, sambonet-shop.com.

Page 34: Match: Queen Anne Oval Bowl, \$443, Benevento Serving Set, \$449; from Bromberg's, 205-969-1776, brombergs.com.

Page 35: Match: Gabriella Dessert Spoon, \$50; from Bromberg's, 205-969-1776, brombergs.com. Burgess & Leigh: Coupe Cereal Bowl Blue Bird-Regal Peacock, \$23.99; from Replacements, Ltd., 800-737-5223, replacements.com.