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Viking pool selected for Eco Smart Idea Home in Florida

Jane Lew, WV - All materials and suppliers for the 2008 Eco Smart Idea Home have to be eco-friendly to be included in this LEED-certified project under development in Florida.

An eco-friendly ceramic composite Viking pool will be installed at this demonstration house that features sustainable green products and services.

Eco Smart of Florida is constructing this demonstration home near Destin, Florida, to educate consumers and build green products awareness. Eco Smart officials say this home is not a model home used to sell real estate, and it will be open for five years to promote and demonstrate sustainable green products like the Viking pool.

“The Eco Smart builders decided on a fiberglass pool for this eco-friendly project and selected Viking Pools as the supplier,” said Todd Stahl, president of Viking Pools. The pool will be installed by local Viking distributor Majestic Pool & Spa.

“Fiberglass acts as a natural insulator, and your filter and heater will run substantially less than equipment on vinyl or gunite pools, saving you money on energy and maintenance,” said Stahl.

Other Viking pool eco-friendly features:

- Because fiberglass pools have a non-porous finish, algae is less prone to attach to smoother surfaces resulting in fewer cleaning chemicals.
- Automatic pool cleaners will run less time saving electricity.
- Depending on climate and size of the pool, a homeowner can save up to \$225 per month on pool maintenance with a Viking pool.
- Fiberglass pools do not rely on steel panels or steel mesh/rebar for structure, so they do not leech chemicals and rust into groundwater.
- Viking pools never need to be re-plastered or have liners replaced, resulting in less waste in our landfills.

Recently featured in Builder/Architect and Taste magazines, the 2008 Eco Smart Idea Home is described as a “multi-generational” concept design with a group of three separate living units – a main house, separate guest quarters above the garage and a large cabana designed as a media/entertainment area.

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