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2008 BEST IN AMERICAN LIVING AWARDS

PLATINUM



■ Best Single-Family Detached Home 1,801 to 2,400 Square Feet

Southern Belle

Evocative of a traditional Charleston-style home, the Magnolia integrates interior spaces with the surrounding community's creeks, parks, lagoons and sprawling oak trees. To facilitate entertaining, the kitchen and dining room have sliding glass doors that open onto a private courtyard and lap pool. Second-floor bedrooms also surround the courtyard, maximizing views of the pool and adjacent Battery Creek.

The Magnolia has built-in flexibility to adapt to homeowners' changing needs. A side stairway off the courtyard leads to a room over the garage that can be used as a recreation room, in-law suite or home office. Sited close to the street, the home's spacious front porch beckons neighbors in for a visit. The balcony directly above the porch serves as an extension of the master sitting room.



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Location: Beaufort, S.C.
Designer/Architect: Dominick Tringali Architects, Inc., Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
Builder: Simonini Builders, Inc., Charlotte, N.C.
Interior Designer: Jill Snyder, GDC Home, Charlotte, S.C.
Developer: PEC Development, Atlanta, Ga.
Photographer: Warren Lieb, Mount Pleasant, S.C.

■ Best Community up to 150 homes



GOLD

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