



Carving out a niche

Whether you need a solid-oak spiral staircase, teak bathroom countertops or a bubinga-paneled study, Woodmeister Corporation has the skill to craft it for you

Above: For nearly 25 years, Woodmeister Corporation has been custom designing and manufacturing high-end, old-world quality cabinetry and woodwork for discerning homeowners. The rich bubinga cabinetry and fretworked wall paneling in this library illustrates the company's mission to construct heirloom-quality pieces. The room also features a matching, oval bubinga desk.

The inherent characteristics of wood – its warmth, depth, rich array of colors and versatile nature – make it a highly appealing material to incorporate into our homes.

For nearly 25 years, Woodmeister Corporation has been satisfying the demands of discerning residential clients by designing and manufacturing custom-crafted cabinetry and millwork for virtually every room in the house. The company handles projects from the design and construction stages right through to installation.

The home shown on these pages illustrates one of Woodmeister's recent projects. Together

with Sara Lederman of AIW Interior Design, Woodmeister custom-designed and manufactured a range of casework and paneling for the home's library, bar and family room.

The library features extensive paneling and cabinetry made from solid, quarter-sawn bubinga and rotary-cut bubinga veneer, finished in a clear top coat. This fine-grained wood has a warm, reddish tone and a lustrous shine.

The room contains two full-height quarter-round curio cabinets with curved glass doors and bowed-front glass shelves set in a bubinga frame. Thomas LaDow, who managed this project



for Woodmeister, says crafting the flute-and-dot detailing under the compound-radius crown at each curio cabinet was a challenging aspect of the construction.

A focal point of the library is the large, custom-made credenza that dominates one wall. At its center is a 50-inch plasma television that can be raised and lowered by remote control. On either side of this panel are open bookcases, with closed cupboards on the unit's lower half. The upper section of the credenza features four detailed pilasters that flank the book shelves and house hidden cabinets.



Above: Among the custom work carried out by Woodmeister Corporation is this large bubinga credenza that dominates one wall of the library. The upper section features open shelves, while the lower has cupboards with ornately detailed doors.

Left: The plasma TV screen in the credenza's central panel can be raised and lowered remotely.



Above: Designed to resemble coral and small fish, backlit custom-textured prism glass panels, crafted by Meltdown Glass Studios in Arizona, are inlaid into the base of the bar unit. Woodmeister crafted this bar from solid teak with inlays of Holly in the countertop. Continuous rope lighting is installed under the overhangs on the bar countertop and behind the custom-art glass to create ambience.

Complementing these built-in units is a matching oval bubinga desk. AV cables hidden in one of its legs allow the visual display from a lap-top computer to be shown on the TV monitor. Woodmeister also replaced existing trims in this room with solid bubinga, and re-made the main door so that, when closed, it would blend into the room's heavily fretworked wall paneling. In another part of the house, the bar unit is made from solid teak, with quarter-inch, solid Holly inlays in the countertop. A teak frame, inset with multi-colored glass tiles, holds a salt-water fish tank that can be viewed from both sides. Built

as one unit, the bar features removable panels that provide access to plumbing and electrical wiring. The new television unit in the family room was designed to replace a large console TV on casters. It features a custom-made pivoting wall that houses the 60-inch plasma TV, to ensure better viewing from the room's seating area. This TV wall is hidden behind retractable doors, made to match the existing cabinet doors around the opening. For details, contact Woodmeister Corporation, 62 Washington St, Worcester, MA 01608, phone (508) 753 5343. Website: www.woodmeistercorp.com. Email: info@woodmeistercorp.com.



Above and left: Woodmeister designed a TV unit to fit within an existing space in the family room. Behind a fabric grille recessed into the baseboard are speakers for the television. **Far left:** Discreetly located behind the swing-out wall that houses the plasma TV, the AV equipment is easily accessible.

