

A wild, watery slide...

...AND OTHER OVER-THE-TOP MUSTS.

LUXURY-HOUSE BUILDERS REVEAL SOME
OF THEIR MOST OUTRAGEOUS REQUESTS



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For today's builders of custom houses, fulfilling clients' dreams is rarely limited by imagination or technology. "We always work to find a solution," says Kurt Bielawski of More Design +Build. "Clients deserve to get as close to what they want as possible or realistic for them." What out-there amenities have been built right in? Commence the bells and whistles.

"Hidden safe rooms. These secret rooms are steel-encased and concealed behind an unassuming bookshelf that opens to reveal a door with a keypad entry. Uses have ranged from security and storm shelters to playrooms." —Joe Jackson, The Newport Group

"A full-scale golf simulator room. Think of this as a game room on steroids, where you can practice and play golf anytime you want." —Joe Jackson

"A backyard with pool, sport court and separate house for entertaining, complete with a full kitchen, fireplace and guest quarters with steam shower. It's the ultimate getaway from the kids." —Joe Jackson