

# OUTDOOR FUN

**AND MORE** 

# COFFEE TABLE

IT'S FINALLY TIME FOR

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BLOSSOMING SPRING BULBS

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# ET'STALK SPRING...

## FRESH, NEW BEGINNINGS? YES, PLEASE!

Whether you are in a newly constructed home or a well-loved home, spring always urges us to bring the feeling of new and clean into our home.

Is there ever a better season than spring to refresh your home? Spring is a time of renewal, so our homes are an easy place to start that refresh and renewal aura. In this edition, discover how simple changes can put a "spring" in your step.

It's been said that spring is Mother Nature's way of saying "Let's Party" — to be honest, we couldn't agree with you more, Mother Nature. The #NewNiagara is a playground for children and adults alike. It is the perfect time to get out and explore the joys of a new season in Niagara — after you get that spring cleaning tackled. Vineyards, breweries, garden centres, retail therapy, dining, nature trails, thrill-seeking adventures, oh and gorgeous orchards full of budding blossoms, are all at your disposal waiting to be enjoyed right here in Niagara. Go ahead, enjoy the dazzling colours, blissful sounds, and enchanting renewal — it is long overdue. Welcome to spring in Niagara!



# ( I JRH **OUT WITH THE LIFELESS URNS AND IN WITH NEW BLOSSOMING SPRING BULBS**

Your front yard and porch are the first areas you see when you arrive home. Creating subtle changes will lighten your mood and create a renewed joy for your space.

What is a quick, inexpensive way to transform blah into ta-da? URNS!

Never underestimate the value of distinct planters with flourishing bulbs. You want to look for flowers that will resist the unpredictable weather that a Canadian spring can shower us with.

Here are a few tips for wow factor urns:

- Repaint or spray dull, chipped urn planters.
- Look for urn inserts that offer a variety of resistant flowers such as Hyacinths, Tulips, Daffodils, Iris, Crocus, Pansies, Lilies and Hydrangeas.

The colours will light up your smile and the smells with have you closing your eyes and daydreaming of frolicking in open fields - ok, maybe not frolicking but certainly leave you with all the feels!

Another great tip is to become an Urn Club member. Many floral design studios in Niagara offer urn insert seasonal packages. Sign us up for quick and easy seasonal curb appeal! **VISIT:** VonMar Floral Boutique, Watering Can, Bloom & Co., Sunstrums.



• Add in Grape vines or Pussy willows for height. Create dimension with height and colour.

If temperatures dip below freezing, cover your urn inserts with a garbage bag to protect your budding blossoms.

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# INSIDE YOUR HOME

## **STARTING WITH YOUR COFFEE TABLE**

Your coffee table is typically a focal piece of furniture in your family room. Let's call it a hub of peace. These new trends will make your coffee table look and feel magazine worthy.

- Contrasting heights that make your eye gaze flow high and low. Décor items will not pop if all items are at the same level.

Remember that in decorating, even is not always the best. Adding 3 objects together in a cluster rather than 2 side by side pieces is a nice touch and makes for a less cluttered more compact tabletop leaving room for the snacks! Niagara has so many boutiques and shops to find pieces that make home décor shopping enjoyable. Afterall, as Marie Kondo teaches, find items that spark joy in your heart. When shopping for your décor accents, make sure they put a smile on your face. **VISIT:** Oliver and Rust, Lakeside Pottery Niagara

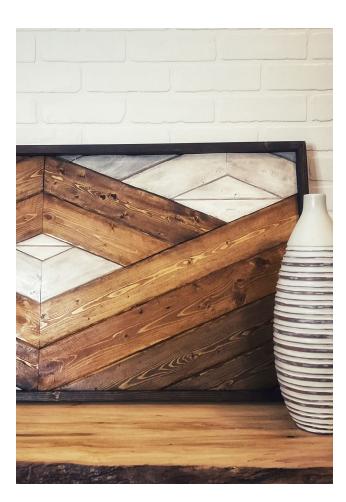
• Use a tray to display your favourite trinkets especially if you don't have a hard surface table. • Layer! Layer! Layer! Place decorative items, like a vase of flowers or an adorned piece of pottery, on top of a favourite book or family album of photos.

# MAKING A HOUSE A HOME IS A VERY PERSONAL JOURNEY.

We all love the magazine worthy clean house, but a home is where your heart feels peace. Spend some time creating crafts. Whether alone, with a friend, a partner, or children, crafts are personal masterpieces that bring heart into your home. Tired of colouring, or gluing? Why not try something different? We think it's time to escape our comfort zones and explore the land of creativity. Locally, there are many classes and workshops to consider.

Try your hand with classes offered at the local 4Cats and Croc A Doodle locations both conveniently located in St. Catharines or try a floral workshop at The Watering Can. Not interested in creating with your own hands? Don't worry! Niagara is home to countless handmade vendor showcases. The time has come to get out and explore local artisans and the project perfectly made for your home with love.

The Spring 2022 HandMade Market takes place in the vineyard at 13th Street Winery over two weekends: June 3-4, and June 10-11.



Owl Treasures was developed by Sierra Lalonde. A small home decor business that started from the comfort of her home in Niagara Falls, Ontario. Specialties include handmade wooden decor, floating shelves, wind chimes, macrame and custom decor. Endless possibilities to suit your custom orders. Each product is handmade with the quality, love and care that you can treasure forever. Making your home decor dreams a reality.

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### SPRING CLEANING & MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

One of the most expensive purchases you make in a lifetime is your home! Take care of your expensive gem! Routines and schedules help us maintain our daily lives. The same is true for home maintenance. Get in the routine of checking off a seasonal maintenance checklist. How many of these items have you considered?

- Inspect your basement and attic for any water damage
- **D** Test your smoke detectors
- **Check carbon monoxide detectors**
- **Replace A/C filter**
- Professional carpet cleaning
- Pest control
- **Check roof for any damage**
- **Clean those gutters**
- **Check for foundation cracks**
- **Turn on outside water sprinklers/taps**
- Clean around outdoor A/C units
- **Clean outdoor furniture**
- **Clean windows inside and outside**
- Change those lightbulbs that have been out for months —you know you have some

### HAVE FREE TIME? WHY NOT:

- Prep a vegetable garden
- **G** Spruce up that landscaping
- **Clean out that shed**
- Put that fence up
- Get a pool quote

Don't have the time to check off your list? There are many companies in Niagara that can help, from taking care of your landscape needs to fixing your foundation cracks!

# BYE BYE SKATES AND SLEDS, HELLO WINERY/BREWERY TOURS &



Niagara deserves the recognition of having one of the most robust entertainment offerings. Low key leisure or super-charged energy thrills are right at your door step. Head over to visit winecountryontario.ca to select from the fun each winery in Niagara has planned this Spring. It's time to get out and enjoy the fruits of Niagara's labour — a glass of wine counts as a fruit serving!

Wined and dined and now ready for a thrill? Head over to Whirlpool Jet Boat Tours, Pedal Pub in Niagara on the Lake, Ziplining in Niagara Falls, or give in to your need for speed at the Niagara Speedway.

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Time to shift gears and enjoy fun, refreshing beverages and meals. Niagara restaurants have some creations on their menus that will leave you wanting more! Here are some of our favourites.



TREADWELL CUISINE 114 Queen St., Niagara-on-the-Lake

#### COCKTAIL

Diamond in the Rough Empress Gin, Fever Tree Mediterranean Tonic Water, lime & rosemary

#### MEAL

Slow roasted beef short rib chop, soubise, roasted shallots, red wine jus



**ROOT & BONE** 1469 Pelham St. South, Fonthill

#### COCKTAIL

Apple Mojito Yes, you read that correctly!

#### MEAL

Romano-crusted white comet eggplant, heritage salad, beluga lentils, cauliflower almond purée, pumpkin seed vinaigrette

NAPOLI PIZZERIA & RISTORANTE 5485 Ferry St., Niagara Falls

COCKTAIL Negroni "Sbagliato" Campari, Cinzano Rosso, Prosecco

MEAL

Funghi pizza mozzarella, goat cheese, caramelized onions, portobello, cremini & porcini mushrooms



Looking to stay in? No problem. Here are some easy at-home cocktails that will leave you believing you are the next star mixologist!





WINE AND WHISKEY COCKTAIL If you love wine and love whiskey, this is for you! The best part is you will most likely have these ingredients on hand.

4 oz	red wine
2 oz	whiskey
1 tbsp	lemon juice
1 tbsp	simple syrup

Remember those budding cherry blossom flowers that leave you mesmerized? Well sip on this gorgeous red Cherry Blossom Cocktail as you gaze!

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CHERRY BLOSSOM

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**APRIL RAIN** April showers bring May

Flowers so they say! Well, let the rain drip as you sip on this!

2 oz	vodka
½ <b>oz</b>	dry white vermouth
½ <b>oz</b>	freshly squeezed lime juice

#### Lime peel for garnish



A SPOTLIGHT ON **NIAGARA'S NEW COMMUNITIES** 

# **COMING SOON TO NIAGARA FALLS**

Niagara's splendid new community is COMING SOON! The family-friendly community offers single-detached, semi-detached, as well as townhomes.

Centrally located in Niagara Falls, the community offers a variety of attractions, shops, and other multiple splendid extras and options to amenities, just minutes from your front door. Explore the shops and fun at Clifton Hill and Lundy's Lane, take a stroll along the edge of the Falls, wander in the beautiful sunshine with oversized the Niagara One Outlets, or explore the numerous restaurants, theatres, parks, bike paths, golf clubs, concept kitchen. Make your house your wineries, schools, and more.

Splendour offers innovative designs and personalize your home to meet your family's desires. Unwind in spacious ensuites, bask windows, and entertain in your openhome at Splendour.

Visit our website, **Pinewoodhomes.ca** and register to receive up to the minute information on this exciting buying opportunity!



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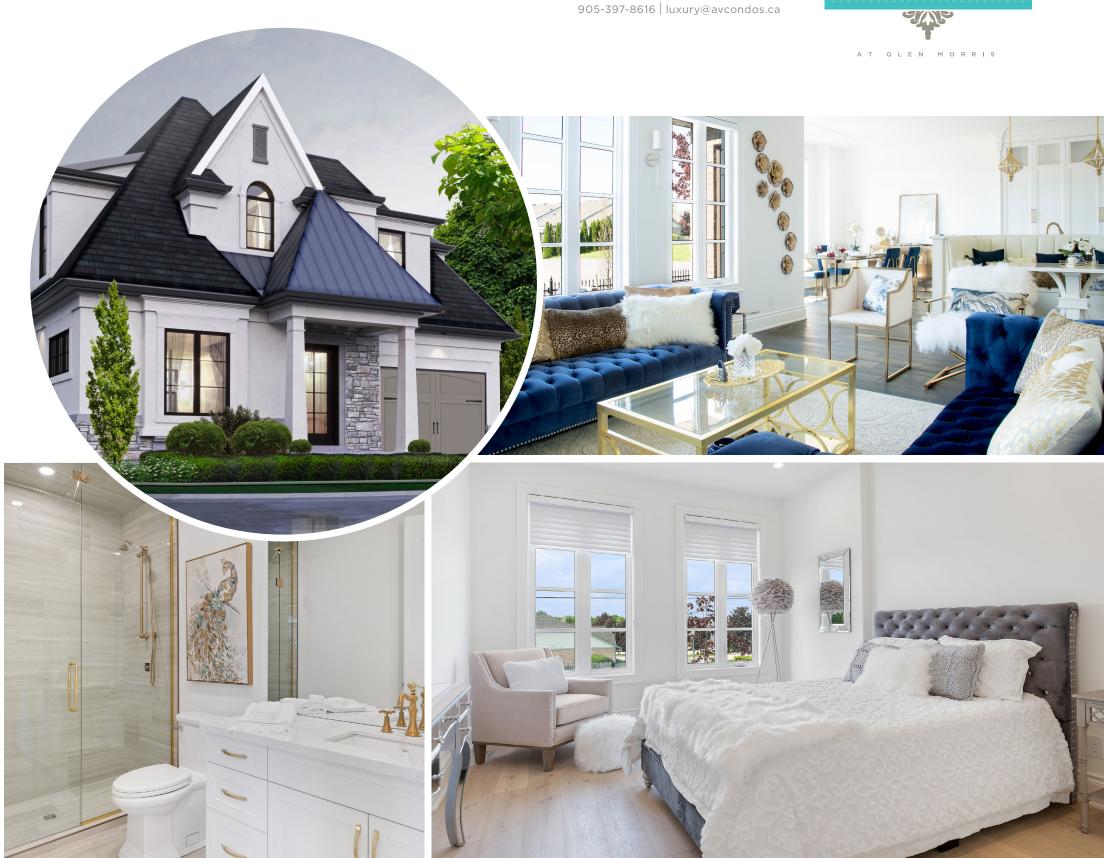
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## Striking a perfect balance of bold European design and the warmth of home

Pinewood Homes offers you the exclusive opportunity to join a community and live in luxury in the heart of the New Niagara. Introducing Arbour Vale's single-family homes.

Arbour Vale is not just a home; it is a lifestyle. We have carefully planned amenity spaces for you to use every day and lavish in the luxurious lifestyle that communities of this caliber expect.

Coveteur, the boutique condominium coming soon to Arbour Vale, will add to this sense of community and a shared lifestyle. Residents can unwind and live a life exclusively yours. Bike, golf, do yoga, or just relax on your patio. Life simplified in luxury, made possible by the community at Arbour Vale.



Arbour Vale Common St. Catharines, ON L2T 0A6 CLICK FOR MAP

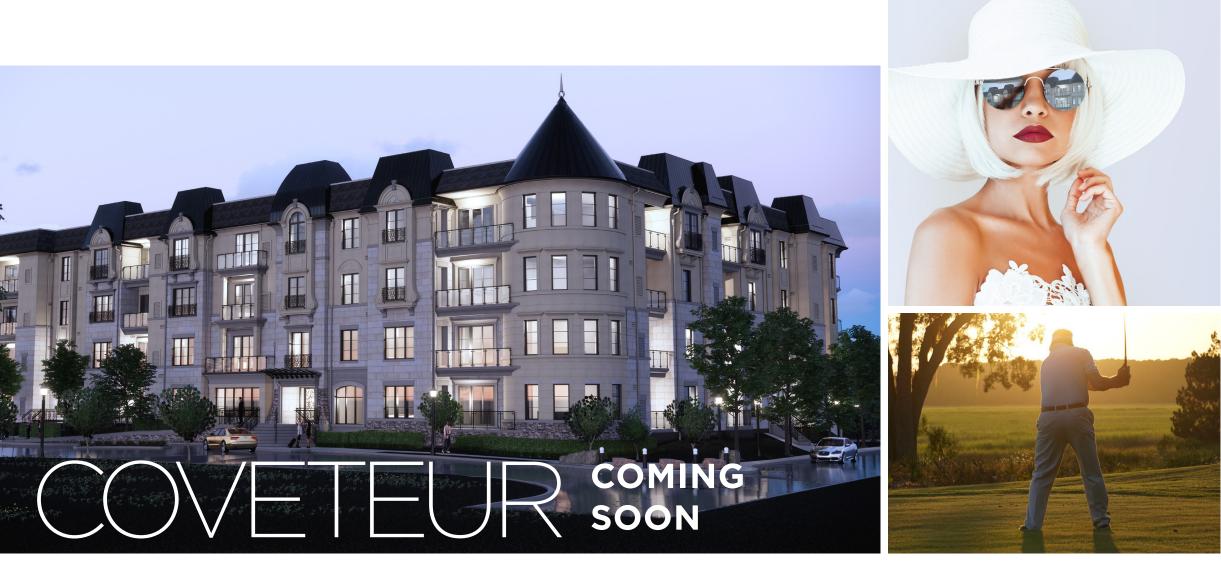


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Coveteur Condominium St. Catharines, ON L2T 0A6

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Chic, stylish, and captivating, Coveteur is a stunning boutique condo coming soon to Arbour Vale in St. Catharines. Luxury will welcome you home to a magnificent four-storey building that blends French classicism with modern, contemporary designs.

in front of the fire. Saunter around the exterior Live the life you have always dreamed and relax away your troubles in the exclusive community in of the building and marvel at the green space in the heart of the New Niagara. Pinewood Homes the curated formal gardens. Bask in the morning and Niagara Innovative Living have taken the sun in the dedicated yoga and exercise space on utmost care to foster a sense of community and the magnificent terrace. a luxurious lifestyle by meticulously planning Make a life uniquely yours at Coveteur. Visit our elegant amenity spaces. Relax and unwind by website, **Pinewoodhomes.ca** to register and for the fire in the lounge or grab a book from the ground-floor library and lose yourself in a story more information.



#### CONDOMINIUM AT ARBOUR VALE





# MULTI-GEN HOMES coming soon

The latest line of Multi-Gen Homes are COMING SOON to our development at Splendour!

Discover this new and exciting concept in home ownership. A first in Niagara, Multi-Gen Homes are ideal for those who want to stay connected to their family, but also crave independence. They are perfect for families with university age children, parents you want to remain close to, or for large families. The homes are two or three homes all in one. Each separate home will have its own bathroom, kitchen, bedrooms, and private entrance but with shared amenity spaces. Wake up, make your own breakfast, and head down to the backyard to eat with your family!

Multi-Gen homes are the way of the future. Register today for more information on this one-of-akind opportunity here. <u>Pinewoodhomes.ca</u>



Not looking to buy right now? Immerse yourself in Pine Mansions and discover open layouts and innovative designs that allow for sunny and spacious kitchens and ample storage space. This collection of rental properties is fantastic for retirees seeking to spend their golden years in the Niagara Region, or for those just waiting for that perfect rental apartment in a safe and secure environment. To learn more about this opportunity, close to incredible shops, restaurants, and neighbouring amenities, don't miss the opportunity to reserve your spot at Pine Mansions. **Contact us today for more information.** 

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