



# 2011 HOME IMPROVEMENT & CAR CARE

## If It Glows Indoors, You Can Find It Outdoors

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For The Associated Press

A trend toward creating “outdoor rooms” has dramatically increased lighting options for homeowners who want to extend their time outside.

Most indoor lighting fixtures — chandeliers, pendant lights, table lamps — now have a counterpart designed for patios or decks.

“We have seen outdoor lights absolutely replicating

indoor designs,” said Anne Robert of [theoutdoorstylist.com](http://theoutdoorstylist.com), a website that focuses on home trends.

“Outdoor lighting is a mood setter. It can make or break a design just like it can indoors.”

The abundance of products lets you make outdoor spaces more functional, said Rich Young of Outdoor Living Brands in Richmond, Va. “It allows families to extend the square footage of their home,” he said. “With the

right light, you can extend the evening for dining or reading or other activities outdoors.”

When choosing fixtures for outdoor entertaining areas, consider how much light is necessary, said Alene Workman, a spokes-

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