

Feeney, Inc. Case Study:

The Southern Living Idea House



Views & Classic Southern Farm House Style Traditional Meets Modern at the Inn at Fontanel in Nashville

The Southern Living Idea House 2013 in Fontanel is part of Southern Living Magazine's 24 year long tradition of building an annual Idea House in the South. Since its construction in 2013, the house has been converted into a luxury boutique inn, the Inn at Fontanel. The Inn is composed of a main house, guest house, and garage; all connected by 2,700 square feet of decking and two detached bunk houses. The warm traditional atmosphere makes you stop, relax and recline to overlook a beautifully landscaped garden and views of the bubbling fountain and waterfall in Porter's Pond.



The views from the deck are visually unobstructed due to the seemingly invisible CableRail by Feeney, Inc., installed in the deck railings at the Inn.

One of the more luxurious installations of CableRail, the Inn at Fontanel sits just outside of Nashville, Tennessee, and is reminiscent of the farm houses of classic southern lifestyles of days gone by. With the inclusion of the stylistically versatile CableRail in all deck railings at the Inn, the traditional feel of the building has been preserved.

The Southern Living Idea House at Fontanel was designed by the architectural firm Historical Concepts and built by the custom home building company, Castle Homes. Brett Wright, project manager for Castle Homes, said, "This was our first time using CableRail by Feeney. We were looking for a product that would meet the safety and code compliance requirements for an elevated porch, but also maintain the traditional and light feel of the porch design." Castle Homes has been in business for over twenty years and has extensive experience building custom homes in Nashville and Middle Tennessee. When asked about the installation process, Wright said, "Once we got going, it was very easy to install. And by "going" I am talking about installing close to 8,000 feet of CableRail! We had extensive 'practice' by the time we were done."

The use of CableRail on the Southern Living Idea House railings provides a distinctive infill design that complements the surrounding railing and overall design of the Inn at Fontanel without impeding the views through the railing. The cable assemblies are made from weather-proof 316-grade stainless steel and feature Feeney's patented automatic-locking Quick-Connect® fittings designed to simplify and speed installations and satisfy virtually any installation condition.

Pleased by how well the final CableRail installation at the Inn at Fontanel turned out, Andrew Penny, Vice President of Marketing and Advertising for Feeney said, "CableRail stainless steel railing assemblies are a perfect



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addition to the Fontanel project. They offer a low maintenance, environmentally friendly, and visually unobtrusive alternative to common wooden or metal picket infill and blend beautifully with the traditional architectural design.”

The annual Southern Living Idea House project is designed to reflect and address current housing trends such as energy efficiency, environmental integrity and durability in architectural design. CableRail is made of over 70 percent recycled materials, providing a perfect solution that met the sustainability design requirements.

About Feeney

Feeney, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high quality stainless steel and aluminum architectural products and railing systems. Their products for exterior, interior, residential and commercial applications include CableRail stainless steel railing assemblies, Quick-Connect® self-locking cable fittings, DesignRail® aluminum railing systems, Sta-Lok® stainless steel rods, Lightline® door canopies and the Trellis Collection line of garden trellises.

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