

### ROOM 3

## DINING SPACE

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Alice Busch of Great Falls Distinctive Interiors was thinking of a midsummer night's dream when she designed the romantic dining room tented in 300 yards of shimmering Dupion silk. With 130 candles (battery-operated) flickering gently around the room, and a hand-knotted Oriental rug from Stark, Busch creates a wonderful environment that envelops you. "I wanted it to be outdoorsy with a tent of great elegance that took you to a totally different place that had nothing to do with a dining room," Busch says. "It's almost storybook, but still functional. It takes us away from our busy world." Positioned above a beautifully crafted Rist round table and chairs, a Niermann Weeks iron and crystal chandelier crowns the room.



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## GEORGETOWN SPACE

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Dana Tydings of Tydings Design Inc. created a striking room with a "view" of Georgetown. "We shot Georgetown from four or five stories up in the air, blew up the shot to 80" by 40" and placed it between two French doors. We added a historically correct balustrade fabricated by Oak Grove Restoration Company, the same company working on the Virginia State Capitol in Richmond," she says. Saddled with space restrictions, Tydings decided to replicate the feeling of sitting in an historic Georgetown townhouse. She kept the furnishings to the bare necessities, "a fabulous round table for eating or reading and a pair of great-looking wing chairs, a chaise and ottoman for relaxation, and a custom credenza for storage ... what else do you need in a sparse room but a view?" she asks. To further authenticate the space, she installed dark stained 8" crown and base moldings and had the wood floor painted by Billet Collins Studio with a flogged technique to create the appearance of aged flooring. "If you treat the shell of a room carefully - the ceiling, walls, and floor - you can put IKEA in there and it will look fabulous," Tydings says.