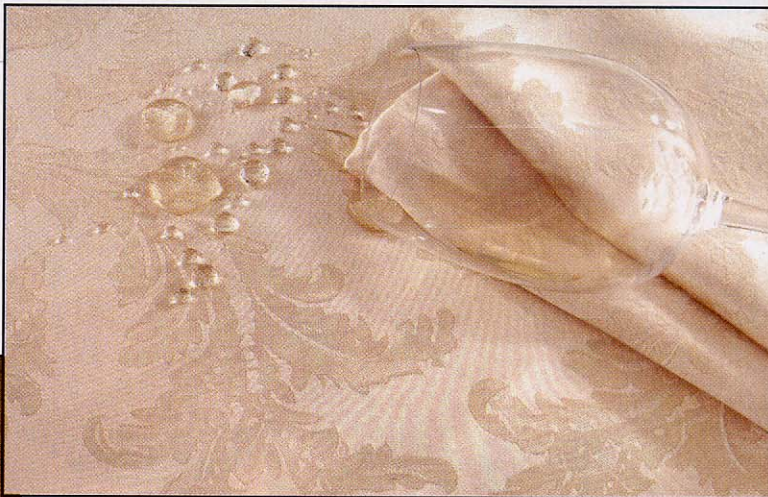


DINING IN & OUT

Right: The Le Plume Collection from Lintex Linens (212-213-1850, espalma.com) is a 100% polyester, microfiber jacquard pattern. It is liquid resistant and available in white, ivory, gold, seedling green and almond.

Below: Outdoor fabrics from Chella Textiles (805-560-8400, chellatextiles.com) are fade and stain resistant.



identifies with the brand," states Salway. She continues, "A lot of what we do is about selling in sets, and combining different items."

Among Tweel Home Furnishings' new collections of kitchen textiles are Apples and Fruit Vine, both of which are 100% polyester curtains available as tiers or valances; Spode Christmas Tree, a holiday-themed tablecloth available in a variety of sizes; Red Wine Selection, a cushioned floor mat with a 100% polyester face and skid-resistant Urethane foam backing; and Roosters & Grapes, a collection of kitchen towels, potholders and oven mitts.

Mediterranean to Malibu is a new collection of coasters and placemats from Zodax. Items in the collection are embellished with fringe and seashells.

"Beach, nautical, and European and Mediterranean looks are very big for Zodax," says Debra Gold, president of Gold & Company public relations.

Also new for Zodax is the Blue Water Fish Collection, which includes table runners, napkins, placemats, and coasters; the Malibu Coral Collection, including placemats and napkins; and the Coco Collection of placemats,



Above: The Kristen Manolis (203-622-5838, kristenmanolis.com) Décor in a Box Collection provides the ultimate collection of event décor for entertaining.

The Great Outdoors

Innovations in textiles have led to an increase in the popularity of outdoor dining.

Chella Textiles' outdoor living rooms make dining outdoors easy. All fabrics used in Chella's collections are 100% solution-dyed acrylic and resist sun damage and fading. Solution dyeing is a man-made, European process that was originally developed in the 1950s. The manufacturing of fiber begins in a liquid state, and color is added to the solution. The liquid solution then travels through a series of tubes and is expelled through spinnerets, and later transformed from liquid to fiber. As a result, the liquid acrylic and the color become inherent properties of the fiber before it is spun into yarn. That is why spilling coffee or bleach does not leave a stain—the fabric is the color.

Homespice Décor has extended its Out-Durable collection to include multi-colored, braided placemats. Out-Durable products are stain resistant, and absorb any spill—from water to wine—without leaving a mark. Out-Durable rugs are great for outdoor dining spaces such as porches and patios.

The company has also added new cotton-braided table accessories, including Scotchguarded placemats that are water repellent and chair pads with extremely strong ties.