

Madison Interiors Is Open For Business

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When Hamed Alaghebandian first envisioned his furniture store, he started from the ground up; literally. Unlike other home furnishing centers, Madison Home Interiors offers everything needed to design and furnish a dream home, from flooring to paint, appliances to furniture, right down to candle holders and flower vases — and all the store's offerings are displayed in a brand new 20,000 square foot location, complete with an indoor courtyard and fountain.

"We offer a total home solution," beamed Alaghebandian, "This is a destination; it is not your typical furniture store."

Indeed, one look inside the sprawling, red brick building located just south of Route 32 on Route 170 in Odenton and it becomes clear that Madison Home Interiors offers more than just love seats and end tables. A gleaming tiled courtyard with mock storefronts filled with the latest designer trends lies just beyond the entrance. Seven storefronts ring the courtyard each home to a different designer's products. A home theater sits at the end of a hall covered by paintings in gilded frames and lit by exclusive lamps designed by Charles Mardef. Another room holds knee-high stacks of imported carpets manufactured exclusively for the store.

In addition to offering

designer furniture, flooring and furnishings, Alaghebandian designed the store with a strong focus on the environment. Low voltage and solar lighting, vegetable-dyed carpets and environmentally friendly flooring solutions like cork and bamboo are all featured in the boutique-like design center.

"We concentrate on environmentally friendly building from floor to ceiling," Alaghebandian explained. "None of our products are generic; everything is specialty here."

An example of the store's specialty products include Hastings porcelain tiling, which is manufactured using environmentally friendly techniques and comes in patterns ranging from realistic wood grain to alligator skin.

Madison Home Interiors will also feature a Benjamin Moore paint center and offer design workshops for customers. Designers and builders will also have access to design libraries and registered builders and designers can join a complimentary club offering discounts on materials and furnishings.

Madison Home Interiors is open to the public during its soft opening phase Monday through Saturday from 11:00am to 6:00pm. A lavish grand opening celebration will be presented on September 25th. For more information call 410-672-1111.