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A spectacular pool in a country setting

This vast backyard in Mulmur, Ont., has it all—an inground pool, hot tub, barbecue, fire pit, tennis court as well as a covered outdoor kitchen and swim-up bar.

Built by Todd Pools of Stouffville, Ont., and D.A. Gracey & Associates of Vaughan, Ont., the concrete pool was designed to accommodate a sloping yard. It features a vanishing edge, with an integral spill-over concrete hot tub installed at the highest level, which sends water splashing down over stone steps into the pool below.

The two-level patio area (finished in flagstone), and the pool, serve as the main outdoor entertainment areas, while a lower-level covered outdoor kitchen features a sink, refrigerator, stereo and television, along with a bar area providing a unique water-level view of the pool. The upper level patio also has a built-in barbecue and granite serving area with a propane fire pit.

The yard also has retaining walls, a series of small ponds, waterfalls and connecting rivers built into the hillside with granite used to create waterfalls and spillways. Over 50 spruce trees were also planted, along with native shrubs and flowers.

A landscaped perimeter along the edge of the pond allows the homeowners to access their favourite Muskoka chairs where they can sit and relax and take in the amazing view.