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## **Old World design meets New World style with the Palos Verdes collection from Lexington Home Brands**

HIGH POINT, NC – With its sweeping views of the Pacific and one of the most spectacular coastlines in the world, the Palos Verdes Peninsula in Southern California boasts a legacy that dates back to the Portuguese explorer Juan Cabrillo in 1542. Over a span of four centuries, the evolution of architecture and furnishings in this coastal enclave has produced a fine vintage of Western European and Italian styling that provided the inspiration for *Palos Verdes* – the latest introduction from Lexington Home Brands, making its debut at the High Point Market on October 17, 2009.

“The Old World European influence in *Palos Verdes* is unmistakable,” says Phil Haney, president and CEO. “There is a rich history of design and craftsmanship in that part of the world that translates with great relevance to the casual yet elegant lifestyle that resonates with today’s sophisticated consumer. The collection is distinctive in its generous scaling, graceful lines, intricate carving, comfortably distressed finish, and magnificent custom hardware.”

A blending of wood species, including Rustic Cherry, French Quartered Oak and Ash, Walnut, and Olive Ash Burl, showcase the beauty and detail of fine veneer artistry. The primary Hawthorne finish is a deep russet-brown with soft distressing and a waxy luster. The collection has two accent finishes. Bodega is a black painted finish, with distressing and rub-through that highlights gold and crimson undertones beneath. Solana is an antique burnished gold that is featured on the Vista Accent Mirror.

Hardware on *Palos Verdes* was custom designed and hand-crafted from solid brass using a process called “lost wax casting.” This same technique is used in crafting fine jewelry. Each piece is cast to compliment the shape of the furniture, polished by hand, burnished to an antique patina and then lacquered for protection. A signature item in the collection is the Baldwin Entertainment Cabinet, whose design boasts fifteen distinct pieces of custom hardware.

The upholstery offering in *Palos Verdes* centers around two striking sofa designs. The Moreno is a stately roll-arm shelter sofa in supple aged leather, with a contrast seat in a soft jewel-toned chenille and decorative nailhead trim. The Laurel Canyon sofa features deep luxurious seating, with a shaped back rail, over-sized back pillows, and an exaggerated Charles of London arm.

“Sophisticated consumers invest in items of enduring value,” says Haney. “*Palos Verdes* embodies the essence of casual elegance - the design details bespeak a strong and authentic sense of the artistry and tradition of Old World Europe. At the same time, the interpretation is infused with a New World sensibility that captures the spirit and aspirations of consumers today.”

The Palos Verdes collection makes its debut at the Lexington Home Brands showroom at 1300 National Highway in Thomasville during the High Point Market, October 17-23, 2009. Private transportation to the showroom is available every ten minutes from Lexington's new Downtown Reception Studio at the corner of Commerce and Wrenn, directly across from the IHFC Building.

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