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**HIGHLIGHTING UNEXPECTED DETAILS:
OCCASIONAL AND HOME ACCENT PIECES
IN CRISTINA FERRARE'S BEL CANTO COLLECTION**

HIGH POINT, N.C., APRIL 22, 2004 – As versatile as they are lovely, eclectic yet classically elegant, the 45-piece Bel Canto Collection from Cristina Ferrare includes updated occasional and home accent pieces designed for use throughout the home. The collection will be appearing in stores across America later this year.

“I like things with an element of surprise,” Ferrare says of the collection, made primarily of cherry veneers and solids with a warm chestnut finish. “Unexpected details, such as accents of scrolled metal, leather and marble, add interest and excitement. I want women to look at each piece and say, ‘This is what I love.’”

A massive diamond-tufted chestnut leather **Cocktail Ottoman** (54”W x 38”D x 21”H) includes a removable serving tray. Nail head trim, egg-and-dart base molding and solid brass casters on carved bell feet add elegance.

Spanish emperador marble and cherry veneers in a parquet pattern adorn the top of the **Square Cocktail Table** (44”W x 44”D x 20”H). Scrolled metal legs with a decorative acanthus leaf overlay finish the look.

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An impressive **Console** (62"W x 20"D x 35"H) with a shaped Spanish emperador marble top and open scrolled metalwork base would make a dramatic statement in an entry way or in the dining room as an elegant buffet.

A charming **Writing Desk** (54"W x 28"D x 37"H), with a cherry veneer top and shaped metal base, would be at home in the bedroom or living room. The lovely shaped metal **Desk Chair** (22"W x 23"D x 39"H) features a button-tufted leather seat.

Other special pieces include a **Round Tray Table** (27"D x 33"H) with leather drawer fronts and a removable leather tray top, a rolling metal **Wine Cart** (47"W x 36"D x 34"H) with a parquet cherry veneer drop-leaf top and wine bottle storage and a metal and wood **Accent Reading Table** (30"W x 22"D x 40"H) with a cherry veneer top and signature tassel.

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