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A Healthy Dose of Peace

Visitors to Las Vegas generally aren't making the trip for their health. But after a busy day (or night) at the tables, shows and buffets, vacationers don't have to go any farther than the **Canyon Ranch Living Essentials** store at the Venetian Resort to ease their bodies and souls.

The 1200-square-foot boutique reinforces the brand of its namesake spa (based in Tucson, Ariz., but with a branch at the Venetian) through the concepts of reflection (for the mind), sensuality (for the body) and light (for the spirit). Designers at MOVK (New York) drew upon the Southwestern terrain while selecting colors, materials and textures that subtly communicated the ambience of the region.

The identity centers on a stylized rendering of an aloe plant, known for its healing qualities. Inside, desert tans and grays predominate, with dark woods and titanium glass panels adding visual interest. Cabinets appear to float above expanses of sauna-style stones, and a 13-foot waterfall adds visual and sonic interest. The result is a peaceful oasis amid the glare of Las Vegas.

Client Team: Canyon Ranch, Tucson, Ariz. – Gary Miner, Robert Smith, Doug Wilson, David Rymark

Design Team: MOVK, New York (retail design) – Victoria Kirk, principal; Mark Oller, principal; Loren Camilleri, graphic design

Architect: The Stubbins Associates, Cambridge, Mass.

Suppliers/Fabricators: Collings Inc., Las Vegas [millwork]; Bendheim Architectural Glass, Passaic, N.J. [glass]; Harmonic Environments Inc., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. [waterfall]; Lightolier, Fall River, Mass. [lighting]; Reggiana Collection, New Windsor, N.Y. [lighting]; Architectural Cathode Lighting Inc., Huntington Park, Calif. [cold cathode lighting]; Donghia, New York [fabrics]; Prince Street Technologies, Cartersville, Ga. [carpeting]; Intertile, San Leandro, Calif. [stone flooring]; PermaGrain Products Inc., Newtown Square, Pa. [wood wall paneling]; Ann Baderian Ltd., New York [upholstery]