







Luxe Redux

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In 2012, when Bar Les Frères opened in Clayton, David Kent Richardson, the owner of David Kent Richardson Decorations and Interior Design, caught everyone's attention with the restaurant's striking interior. During Thursday's dinner, he showcased that same knack for perfection by creating a table to match the night's French-Vietnamese theme. French Colonial folding chairs complemented a French love seat and upholstered chairs at the ends of the table. Vietnamese touches could be found in the French blue enamel buckets (used on farms in Vietnam), conical sedge hats hanging from the chairs, passion fruit, and gloriosa lilies (which only grow in certain areas of that country). The design was "much like everything else, in my eyes: luxury mixed with common, shiny with dull," Richardson says. "It's keeping it real."