

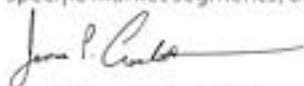
Drivable Grass® Named One of Architectural Products 2012 "Top 50" Reader's Choice!



Legoland 468 Miles South



The note above was a post script I received from my art director while at Greenbuild in San Francisco last month. The goings-on at the theme park is an inside joke at our office, since apparently I talk about it quite a lot. Earlier this summer I took my kids there while on vacation. Perhaps because my boys are teens, the park—beyond the cool cities and Star Wars displays—was disappointing, since it is designed for a younger crowd. But one interesting observation I made in a Legoland shop was the activity of a rather focused patron. This gentleman, in his mid-30s, was intensely stocking up on significant amounts of specific Lego bricks all of a specific color (brown); he clearly knew what he was going to build and exactly which pieces he needed to construct it. If only building buildings could be so simple. This is our annual "Top 50" Reader's Choice issue, presenting the products readers requested most using our Reader Service Card each month. Like the Product Innovation Awards which preceded this issue, we present these products as a way to help designers identify products that demonstrate a certain utility, fulfill requirements that can help deliver sustainable projects, aid with meeting the needs of specific market segments, or simply look good.



Jim Crockett, Editorial Director



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