



## Magnetic Attraction

Induction ranges and cooktops are hot commodities these days. We asked Stephen Polloni, president of The Vetta Group – the North American representative for the Italian luxury appliance maker Fulgor Milano – to give us a primer on their advantages and how they work.

**S@H** How is cooking with induction more efficient and eco-friendly than an electric or gas range?

**SP** Energy efficiency is one of the many great benefits of induction cooking, as it is the most efficient at converting energy to usable heat. When using a gas or electric range, some energy is lost into the air surrounding a pot or pan. But with induction, the energy is transferred directly to the cookware. There is also no gas emission or combustion; therefore, no carbon dioxide emissions or residual heat.

**S@H** How does it work?

**SP** The inductor under a Fulgor Milano ceramic glass cooking surface is a specially designed copper coil that uses electrical energy to create a magnetic field. Heat is generated when the

magnetic field of the coil interacts with ferrous (magnetic) material in the base of the cookware. Essentially, the cookware becomes the heating element.

**S@H** How much more does an induction range cost?

**SP** Depending on the style and features, you can generally expect to pay a thousand to a few thousand more for an induction range than a gas or electric range. However, over time, the cost difference will balance out due to increased efficiency, lower energy bills, and lower install costs while enjoying a cleaner, quieter and elevated cooking experience.

Fulgor Milano 48" **INDUCTION RANGE WITH GRIDDLE**, approx. \$20,000 for an all-glass 7-inductor; and \$21,000 with 5 zones with griddle; fulgor-milano.com

## VELVET

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1 Pica **OTTOMAN**, \$249, Article, article.com



2 Rumford **CHAIR**, \$2,099, Crate and Barrel, crateandbarrel.ca

3 Arc **BANQUETTE**, \$2,599, CB2, cb2.ca

4 Nuage **SOFA**, \$1,999, Mobilia, mobilia.ca



5 Tuile **CUSHIONS**, \$39 each, Zara Home, zara.com

6 Shanny **NIGHTSTAND**, \$189, Structube, structube.com