

The Guide To Outdoor Fire Features

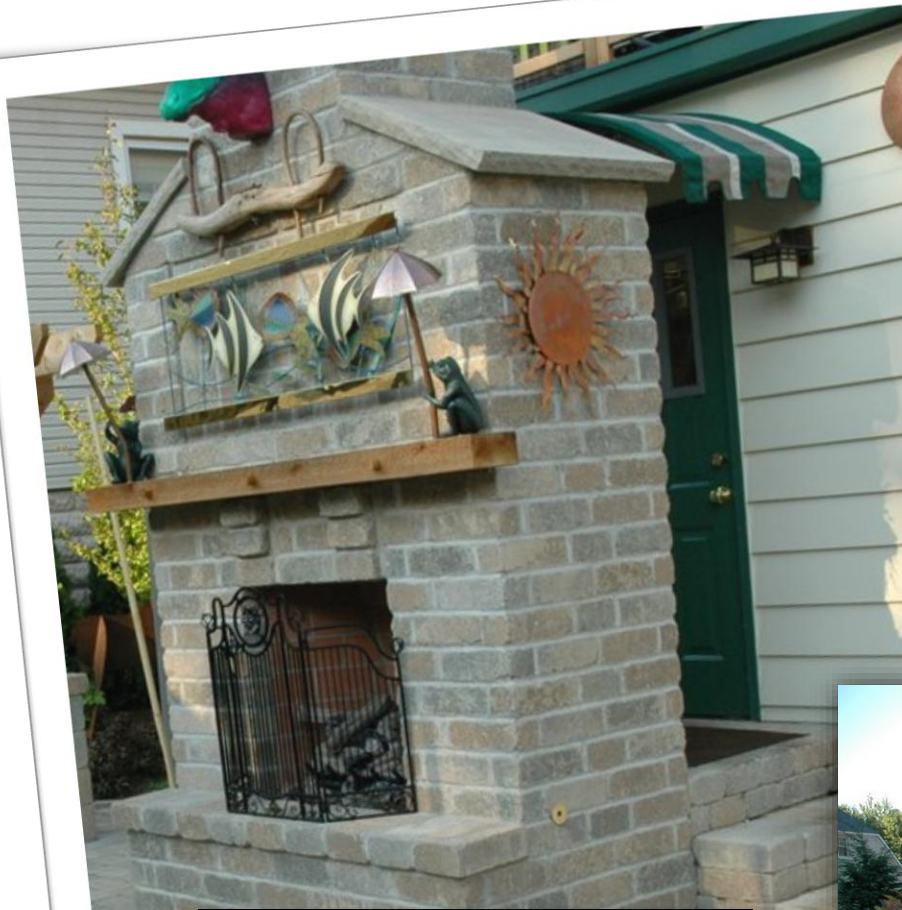
Outdoor Fireplaces

Outdoor fireplaces are an exceptional way to create a welcoming sanctuary, and anchor for your outdoor living space. They provide a beautiful focal point for your home's landscape, as well as an inviting place for you to relax or entertain with family and friends. Determining what you want based on your lifestyle and design goals is an important first step.

Here are key considerations to keep in mind when planning your outdoor fireplace installation:

- **Location** - An outdoor fireplace provides an exceptional anchor point for your home's exterior living space.
- **Type** - Gas or wood burning outdoor fireplaces are either pre-built or customized to meet your exact specifications.
- **Budget** - Before starting any landscape design project, it's best to pre-determine your overall goals and estimated project budget.
- **Seating Area** - Each side of the fireplace offers an anchor point for separate living spaces.









Fireplace Benefits

Installing an outdoor fireplace offers great benefits. It will enhance your home and property, and increase your outdoor living options.

Warmth - Extend outdoor living earlier in the spring and later in the fall.

Cooking - Savor open-air cooking and eating. Install a fire grate for meals on the fire, or roast delicious marshmallows over the open flames.

Entertainment - Extend your home's entertainment space. Bring the party outside and enjoy.

Ambience - Add romantic flair to your outdoor experience, watching the flicker of fire, sipping a glass of wine, cuddling up with a book.

Increased Value - Increase the resale value to your home and property.

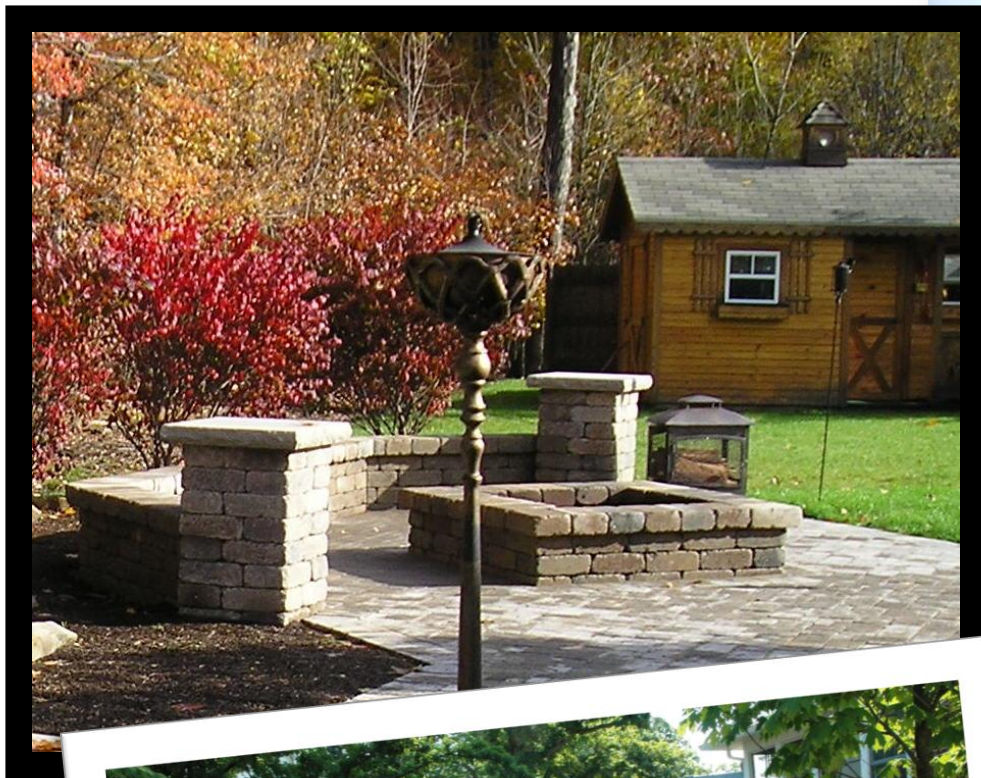
Outdoor Fire Pits

Outdoor fire pits offer the warmth and enjoyment of the fire while maximizing your seating space. Sit around the fire with your family and friends. Fire Pits are welcoming spots for taking in landscape views surrounding your property --- a stunning view of Lake Erie, the golf course, or the natural beauty of your grounds.

Here are key points to consider in planning for an outdoor fire pit installation:

- **Location** - Outdoor fire pits should be placed for optimal viewing of your landscape's focal points.
- **Type** - Choices: do you prefer to install a natural wood burning fire pit, or low-maintenance gas log fire pit? If you enjoy, stoking the flames, the smoke and fragrance of natural wood, a wood burning fire pit may be the right choice.
- **Budget** - Outdoor fire pits present an affordable alternative to installing an outdoor fireplace.
- **Seating Area** - Outdoor fire pits allow for comfortable seating around the fire pit if necessary and are often a preferred choice for this reason.







Fire Pit Benefits

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Design, Location, and Considerations

Before You Get Started:

It's important to check your local building codes before starting any outdoor fireplace or fire pit project. Depending on your local building codes you may not be able to install a fire feature at your location. It may also be required that your fire feature be placed in a location that is at least a minimum distance from any structures.



Work with a professional landscape company to assure that your installation meets all state and local building codes. Installing a pass through fireplace requires a gas flame and log to maintain proper control of fire and smoke.

Installing an outdoor fireplace or fire pit is a great way to invest in your home. For this reason, it is important to select a landscape installation company that can deliver superior quality and results. To assure that you're getting a qualified landscape installation company find out how many years they have been in business, what their certifications and qualifications are and ask for contact information for the last three fireplace or fire pit projects that they completed and contact them.

Extend Your Living Space Outdoors

Getting Started with Your Project:

In the same way that designing a house involves more than selecting paint colors or window styles... good landscape design means looking at the big picture. Start by considering what your home has now ... such as a deck, patio, children's play area or water feature. You may simply need a "foundation plan" by a knowledgeable landscape designer. This plan creates attractive plant combinations that fill out your existing areas.

The expert designers at Green Impressions look at your home's landscape with a trained and critical eye. We create a plan that takes into account your lifestyle, preferences and budget. We listen to your concerns and ask questions to create the right plan for you.

With our experience and education, we design with the Northern Ohio climate in mind. We can ensure that you have flowering plants all season long. Our design service is included in all landscape installations. Our design process starts with a no cost or obligation consultation to begin creating the perfect plan for you. Contact us today

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