## DESIGN + BUILD

Create greener, more sustainable spaces to celebrate the environment, which can help encourage pollinators, grow healthy food and forge a cohesive outdoor space. You can also use materials such as Belgard's permeable pavers, which allow water to drain through the surface, replenishing the soil and aquifers beneath your path, walkway or driveway.

## Sleek, modern design

While it may seem contrary to the more organic approach of biophilic design, the contemporary trend toward sleek, modular furniture can enhance your outdoor space.

Modular, sectional pieces with clean lines and streamlined design can be arranged and re-arranged to accommodate any natural elements you want to incorporate in your space, or to handle different numbers of guests when entertaining.

The minimalist approach to furnishings also allows the natural elements around you to take center stage.

### **Multifunctional spaces**

Whether your home is in an urban area with limited green space, or you want to optimize your outdoor living, get creative:

- Add vertical planters
- Hang hammocks for lounging
- Create built-in seating
- Build raised garden beds

#### Entertaining both night and day

Regardless of the time of day - or year - you and your family can relax comfortably in your outdoor sanctuary, thanks to modern technology and the latest outdoor installations:

LED lighting is installed in a variety of ways.
You can install strips of light and/or spotlights, even using multiple colors, to add flair at night.
In the harsh sunlight, large umbrellas and movable shade walls or screens can keep your space cool and more comfortable.

• For cooler climates, an outdoor fireplace provides heat and light for cozy evenings in the yard.

Whether you have a straightforward vision for a patio or dream of elaborate outdoor living spaces, these ideas can help you create your oasis.

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