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*Outdoor*

Whether your home sits upon an expansive waterfront lot or offers just a taste of the outdoors via a sky-high terrace, there's no wrong way to enjoy a bit of fresh air, so long as you're doing it in style. Outdoor spaces represent an extension of a residence's interior and a homeowner's personal aesthetic, and as such they should be approached with just as much care and attention to detail. What do you envision for the ideal sanctuary in the sun? Regardless of size, the opportunities are nearly endless—from a cozy gathering spot with an electric fireplace or fire pit to a water-lover's paradise with an infinity pool or elements like a fountain and a soaking tub. Furniture pieces for alfresco dining and lounging are a must, while manicured landscaping with the perfect plants sets the overall tone. Here, experts offer their tips for designing your own great outdoors.

When the homeowners of this Houston home purchased the lot next door to expand their yard, they were able to build a pool envisioned by the husband, who worked with landscape architect Andrew Somerville to bring it to life. Sculptural Janus et Cie lounge chairs pair with stools from Area. The daybed and umbrella near the pool are also by Janus et Cie.











**Left:** This 2,400-square-foot infinity-edge pool in the Preston Hollow neighborhood of Dallas was a feat of engineering that required architect Michael Malone to get an assist from Mesa Design Group and White Rock Pools. Malone balanced the residence's modern elements with its uniquely shaped site and the homeowners' serenity-seeking, private personas.

**Below:** This Houston home's heated saltwater pool accommodates lap swimming and children's birthday parties, even in winter. A sheltered seating area and well-trimmed lawn extend the possibilities, with poolside lounges and patio furniture by Janus et Cie. Oversize windowpanes and steel doors infuse a more modern feel to the Regency-style home, conceived by architect Reagan Miller and built by Scott Frasier.



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