

BUILDING YOUR OWN BACKYARD POND

A Landscape Masterpiece

A backyard pond is the kind of structure that can turn your average backyard into a landscape masterpiece. The pond is sometimes considered to be the centerpiece of a yard. As the variety of inexpensive kits increases in the gardening market, backyard ponds have become popular to the public. Backyard ponds were a luxury for only those who could afford it in the past. However, with the current facilities available and some effort from the home owners, building that perfect backyard pond has become a luxury for all.

Unfortunately, in the rush of home owners to integrate ponds into their home landscaping, several do-it yourselfers have made mistakes. Building a pond is not as easy as the market has made it to be. There are several important factors to take into account before and during the construction of the pond. The following are some guidelines on how to build that perfect the smart way. Remembering these key points will help in reducing those mistakes that do-it yourselfers usually make.

Tips and Tricks

First, let your backyard decide. The first question that comes to mind is where to make the pond? In most cases, home owners just find an open spot in their yard and immediately start working. The result? Still your own plain backyard with a pond. Home owners have to integrate the pond into their existing landscape. The pond will fail to compliment the overall design and feel of the property. In situations like these, the presence of a pond can actually diminish the beauty of a home landscape

When considering in constructing a pond, take the time to pick out a design and suitable spot that will flatter the over all design of the yard. Don't just simply grab that shovel and dig on the first spot you

can find. Do a little research and if you still feel that your own judgment and unique design is not enough, ask some friends or your family members to help you out. Remember two heads are better than one.

Second, consider the elements of your backyard. If you are considering on breeding fishes, you may want to rethink about placing that pond in a shaded area. Warmth is an important element in maintaining fish population. If the pond is placed near a tree, you may find yourself in a position where you are constantly cleaning leaves off the pond. The environment surrounding your backyard will have a great impact on the appearance and maintenance of the pond.

Lastly, size does matter. You need to make sure that the size of the pond will meet your goals. Some may build a small pond and place a variety of aquatic plants and animals only to find out that the pond cannot satisfy the necessities of the plants and fishes. Another thing to consider carefully is the depth of the pond. This is especially true for landscapes in colder climates and ponds containing fish. If the pond is built too shallow, it could freeze completely. Proper depth should also be considered when talking about size.

Building a backyard pond in you home can definitely make it more attractive. It is a great way of making out door living more colorful and enjoyable. If built correctly, it can add a certain luster to the beauty of a property and can raise the property's value. However, if done poorly, your backyard pond can be incredibly stressful.