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CREATE THE PERFECT PATIO

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Summer is almost here and now is the time to make sure your patios are ready for the end of school parties and the backyard soirees. I'm here to help you make your patio space just as inviting as your interiors. Spicing up your backyard is a lot easier than you may think. With the right tools, strength, and some spare time, you'll have the absolute best hangout spot all your friends will be jealous of!

"Focused Flooring"

You can't forget about the rug! Rugs make a beautiful addition to any styled space, and the outdoors are no exception. In fact, outdoor rugs may be even more ideal because they are kid and pet proof. They are extremely durable because dirt and mud simply sit on the surface of the rug, making it much easier to clean up after your soiree. As the perfect inexpensive way to brighten up your space, outdoor rugs come in a wonderful range of colors and patterns that will help you design a party that will leave all of your guests impressed!

"Let in Lighting"

Lights must be added for a final touch of pizzazz as well! You can choose any hanging lights and place them to drape above your seating area or whatever type of lights you would like really. Your patio is a very versatile space that should show off a bit of your personality. Fun lighting means you have designed the ultimate patio to help you enjoy those late summer meals!

"Fab the Furniture"

Next, you have to find the perfect furniture. Modular sectionals are great for outdoor spaces, especially a sectional with a durable fabric that can hold up against children as well as the elements. Depending on the size and shape of your backyard space, a modular sectional can give you a lot of options for different configurations to provide maximum seating. Look for a dining table that is going to be an investment for your backyard space. If you plan to entertain every season, you need to have a table that will last. There are many high-quality options that will not only resist the elements but also add to the color and style of your event. If the dining table is the time to invest, the chairs are another story entirely. Comparison shop away. There are plenty of inexpensive options that will go perfectly with an upscale design. I like outdoor dining chairs that are light, stackable, and have some color to them.

"Bring in the Color"

Just like a room, decorating a patio starts with a color palette. For events that have a kids side and an adult side, balance is the key to making everyone happy. Look for color combinations that have at least one neutral color, and one pop color in the mix. It will help with incorporating a fun and playful look while maintaining a sophisticated tone at your patio party. If you really want to make a bold statement, you can simply add some colorful paint to your existing furniture. Whether you have plastic chairs, or wooden tables, a little bit of pretty paint won't hurt! For a final touch, toss in some patterned pillows to top off your seating area. You now have a vibrant, summery patio to show off this season!

"Green it UP"

Some of us would love to have some sort of greenery in our home and what better way of bringing in some freshness than to start a garden! For a small backyard, a vertical garden is still a good idea. The fence could be used for more than privacy; it can also be the base for the garden. You can spruce it up with pretty planters attached to it to have all of your pretty plants. Another creative alternative could be to create a partition, or backdrop. These can be enhanced with small plants or flowers, depending on what kind of garden you're trying to achieve. Get inventive with the design of your plant pots to add a more aesthetic appeal to your outdoor space.

I hope you've enjoyed these patio ideas and use them as starting points to make your own perfect oasis. Don't let the heat stop you from making your backyard just as beautiful as the inside of your home. This summer, be creative and let your patio be the talk of the town!