

GREAT OUTDOOR ESCAPE

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CREATING A BEAUTIFUL AND FUNCTIONAL OUTDOOR SPACE IS SO MUCH MORE THAN A GRILL ON THE BACK DECK AND A PATIO TABLE AND CHAIRS. PEOPLE ARE EXTENDING THEIR LIVING SPACE OUTDOORS IN BIGGER, INVENTIVE WAYS, AND IT NOT ONLY INCREASES THE VALUE OF THEIR HOMES, IT IS MAKING THEM MORE ENJOYABLE FOR ENTERTAINING AND EVERYDAY LIFE, YEAR-ROUND.



↓ Dekton countertops are as durable outdoors as they are in.



← The pull-out trash and recycle bins are convenient and hidden.



→ This removable paper towel holder can move to where the messes are.



“Much like building or remodeling indoors, the outdoor space starts with the kitchen,” said Chris Walsh, president of Luwa Luxury Products. Luwa is a one-stop resource for luxury appliances and has worked with industry partners to create some of the best indoor and outdoor kitchens in the Northwest. “Just as you would indoors, you want a pop of color and smart design with the luxury to cook outside as you would indoors. You want a solid surface countertop, storage for dishes and grilling accessories, a fridge or two, extra storage, and maybe a little more. In other words, you’ll want a full outdoor kitchen with all the latest options in performance and design that will last for years to come.”

Once you come to a decision on the look and feel of your outdoor kitchen, it’s time to lay out the rest of your outdoor space — everything from choosing the decking materials to utilizing the design based on the location of the home comes into play. A great outdoor space will get as much play (or more) as an indoor kitchen with proper planning; execution; and, of course, imagination.



↑ This minibar is sure to be a huge hit. It provides ample room for your favorite beverages and has an ice-maker.



← A foot shower keeps sandy feet and paws clean.

→ An easy-to-install stone surround gives the outdoor kitchen a cool, custom vibe.

↓ We love this wooden cover when the fire is not burning! Now it is a tabletop.



→ The rotisserie burner also can be used as a broiler. Hestan grill lighting makes evening cooking simple.



→ The ample drawer space holds all the barbecue tools.



← Mbrico deck tiles are easy to clean, reflect the heat so you can walk barefoot on them, are anti-slip (even when wet), and will look beautiful for years to come.



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Check out greatoutdoorescape.com to see more about the project and products.

↑ A weatherproof living room is the perfect counterpart to this outdoor kitchen.

→ It all begins with these LOC cabinets.



→ A massive 70,000 BTU burner makes your summer barbecue or clam bake easy. Hestan makes cookware, too!



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Eldorado fire bowls
LOC outdoor cabinets

USI Custom Outdoor Living

usiwestcoast.com
Mbrico deck tiles
AS&D deck railing

Cosentino

cosentino.com
Dekton countertops
Dekton shower wall

ProGranite

progranite.net
Fabrication of Dekton countertops and shower wall

Eldorado Stone

eldoradostone.com
Outdoor kitchen stone surround

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Deck lighting
Signature Hardware
Outdoor shower

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