

# Fall a prime time for landscape design planning

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Some may be looking to refresh the home's exterior. Others want to create an entirely new outdoor environment. No matter the project size or scope, fall is an ideal time for landscape design. Starting the process now ensures the home is ready at the first sign of spring.

"There are many benefits to beginning your landscape project in the fall and at Young's, we help clients to think ahead," says Dan Young, owner of Young's Landscape Management, a full-service firm specializing in all aspects of landscaping, hardscaping and lawn care for nearly 20 years.

One such benefit is that the fall season is an optimum time for planting with a great selection of ornamental trees and shrubs as well as perennials. Soil nutrients are more available to feed the roots and the shorter days and cooler temperatures further contribute to a well-established root system, supporting the rapid and active growth in spring.

The beautiful and showier displays will arrive just in time for outdoor activities without the chore.

"During the design and planning process, we help choose plantings that will stay in line, provide seasonal color and extend year-round beauty," Dan adds. "But, shrubs and perennials are only one part of the planning process. Complementing the natural beauty with hardscaping, lights and water features are all part of our design."

It might be widening a walkway or adding an outdoor kitchen area for entertaining family and friends.

To extend time spent outdoors,

lighting is a great touch as the days get shorter or consider a masonry fire pit for a true open-air campfire appeal.

One of the latest trends in year-round outdoor environments is the installation of synthetic turf. The synthetic yard surfaces offered by Young's Y-Turf Division are lush, vibrant and lifelike with a fresh cut appearance and feel. The beautifully landscaped lawn is durable and virtually maintenance free, requiring no water, fertilizers, mowing or weeding. Great for families with children and pets as the new age turf is both safe and clean.

Besides the beauty, synthetic turf products can create an entertainment and sporting environment in your backyard. From a premium putting green or full golf practice area to a bocce court or ultimate playground, the possibilities are limitless and all available with unparalleled quality, durability and performance.

"As part of the landscape design, it is most important to find an experienced partner, who understands your needs and is committed to making your dream a reality – from the big picture to the finest detail," Dan concludes. "At Young's, we believe you should enjoy coming home every day."

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