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What is one feature that you can add to your home that will definitely increase its value not only monetarily? There is the ingredient of a "special place" to relax, to dream about tomorrow, and to slowly sip a cool, smooth drink on a hot, sticky day. Also, this is a great place to chat with the neighbors or visiting relatives, to admire the seasons, nature and its abundance of color and change, and to take a catnap when the need calls for one.

All of the above relate to something as simple as a porch. Whether it is on the back of the house, across the front of the home, or even to the side – there is so much value in having a porch. It can even do duty as a breakfast room where you start your day and anticipate what the day will bring over a cup of coffee.

It can be an elaborate structure with pillars and graceful archways or it can be as simple as a screen enclosure where you step out from the kitchen to the delight of the sunshine, the sweet smell of morning, and the sounds of the birds. Taking into consideration the type of home you have, you can then plan with size, material, and style. Whatever the final outcome is, the real statement will be the comfort and enjoyment a porch can bring. And if you add a porch swing – then you do have the makings of a wonderful place just outside of your home. If a porch swing is not in the plans, then a padded rocking chair, a few tables, assorted chairs, and plants will do the trick.

Porches are fun to decorate but they should never become just another convenient storage shed. They should be uncluttered, colorful and comfortable. There should be easy access to the home so that food and drink can be easily brought in and out. Porches can be three-season or year-round with a few extras added.

Whatever your budget allows, inspiration and imagination in decorating your porch take precedence. Wicker, wood, or other natural features are the most soothing and relaxing. Bright, beautiful colors and a lot of windows or screens, if enclosed, to bring in the sight, sounds, and smells of the great outdoors. Accessories can be anything that helps provide a relaxing, comforting atmosphere.

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There is one drawback to having a porch. The neighbors will take notice and start stopping by as they take a stroll in the evening breezes, and relatives will stay just a little bit longer. A porch is a great place for children to play and to entertain their friends.

Small tables so that games, puzzles, or other activities can be set up and a storage box for toys provides a lot of fun and entertainment, and mom is just a step away.

Whatever your budget or home style, a porch can be added that will delight and give you hours of pleasure. The size of the porch is not important, as long as there is space to stretch out and wile away the hours sipping that cool drink, dreaming, planning, or just taking in the beauty of your garden, your flowers, or the trees that line your street.

A porch opens up the world just a little more, and allows everyone to have the opportunity to stop, chat, and share the latest. It is a gathering place of great friends, conversation, and relaxation. It is well worth the time and effort because it will bring back more in home value, and personal value. It adds charm, comfort, and inspiration. It will become that special place where family and fun can be relished and cherished in a relaxed and soothing atmosphere.

Hope there's a porch in your future!

ENJOY!

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Porch Swings: Find The Right One For You

By Jesse Akre

If you had to choose one piece of outdoor furniture to represent the ambiance of American history, which would it be? For most people, the answer to that question would be the porch swing. Porch swings have been a part of history for more than a hundred years and from the way things look, porch swings will be a part of our heritage for at least a hundred more.

Whether you want to chat with friends, enjoy a relaxing cup of iced tea or just enjoy the fresh air outside, porch swings offer the perfect place to do it. It's no wonder so many people like porch swings. In fact, porch swings are so popular, people who don't even have porches have started buying them and are putting them in backyards and on patios.

Whether you want a porch swing that is suspended from the ceiling of your porch or one that hangs from an arbor or frame, there are numerous porch swings to suit your needs. Some people even enjoy hanging porch swings from trees. It's all a matter of personal tastes and the resources of the space you have available.

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Porch swings come in a variety of woods, colors, sizes and styles. Single people and couples tend to do well with porch swings that seat two. Families, on the other hand, often prefer the larger porch swings that can accommodate a number of people.

The prices of porch swings vary. Exactly how much you pay for a porch swing will depend on the size of the porch swing, what the porch swing was crafted from, the style of the swing and where you buy it. Typically, porch swings start at about two-hundred dollars and go up from there with some porch swings exceeding the thousand-dollar mark. However, the investment in a porch swing is well worth the years of enjoyment porch swing owners experience.

Jesse Akre, owner of numerous niche home decor and patio furniture websites, makes it easy to find one of a kind Porch Swings and Outdoor Teak Furniture. A symbol of luxury and affluence. Rich quality and classic aesthetic. These are a few reasons teak furniture is the ideal choice for outdoor furniture and remains a sound investment. You deserve it – Click to enjoy:



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