

Highlighted Project – Backyard Retreat in Fairfax

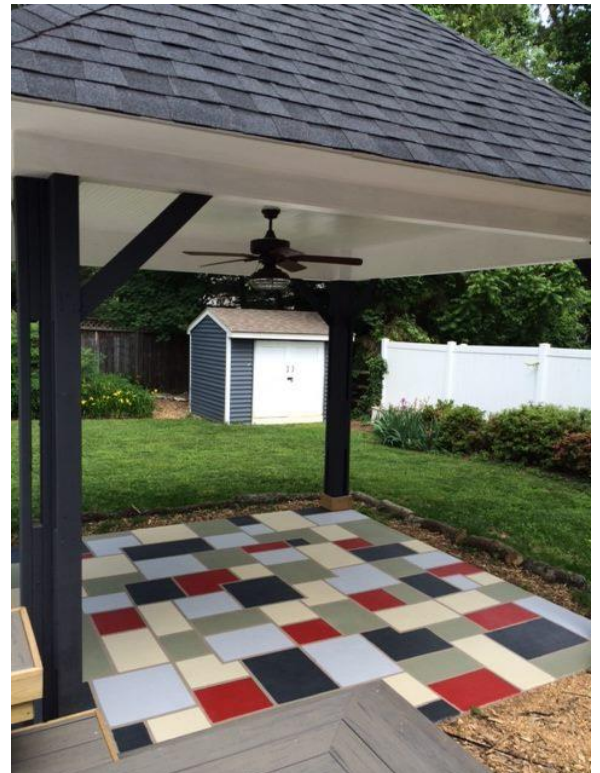
With summer just around the corner, you may be thinking of ways to better utilize your outdoor space. Why not draw inspiration from our clients in Fairfax. After completing their kitchen and bathroom remodel they asked us to move the project outside.



First we installed a new multi-level Trex deck with space to eat and cook all summer long. The built-in wrap around bench provides extra seating for large family gatherings. And with composite decking you never need to worry about sanding, staining or painting.

With shade in mind, the design is anchored by a new gazebo which mimics the exterior of the home. A real focal point with a color-blocked tile floor and lighted ceiling fan, the space provides an area for the family to rest and relax. [If you are considering a gazebo, trellis or similar structure in Fairfax County, be sure to reference the [Freestanding Accessory Structure Code](#) handout.]

We then poured the oversized concrete patio. With its neutral color and scoring detail, the patio is as beautiful as it is versatile. Surrounded by well-placed native grasses, ivy and flowering plants, the look is complete.



An outdoor living space should reflect your style, and compliment the architecture of your home. Some features are simple and cozy, while others like gazebos or patio coverings will require professional planning and construction. A well-executed backyard makeover provides not only a great space for entertaining on warm summer nights but can also add value to your home. Or as we like to say at Thomas Custom Builders, a win-win!



"We would like to thank you—the work you and your crew did at our house made our entire home seem brand new, inside and out. Thanks... we LOVE our new kitchen, windows, shower, roof, eaves, gutters... AND our new deck and gazebo! Thank you so much."

~Dan & Ellen, Fairfax, VA