

The Outside Story

Add Style To Your Outdoor Spaces

(NAPSA)—Each year, homeowners across America spend approximately \$40 billion upgrading, enhancing and decorating their outdoor living spaces. Don't have a fortune to spend on landscaping, outdoor furnishings and backyard accessories? It's easy to add a touch of style and create the perfect outdoor living space with some paint and a little imagination. Here are some ideas from the outdoor decorating experts at Rust-Oleum:

- Transforming the look of patios, porches and walkways can accentuate the beauty of your outdoor spaces. Does your concrete look old, dated, weathered? Now you can refresh concrete surfaces and make them look new again with Rust-Oleum Semi-Transparent Concrete Stain Kits. Add warmth with colors like Terra Cotta or Tuscan Rock. Want to give your patio a trendy look? Try deeper, neutral colors like Sandstone or Slate. The water-based Concrete Stain is easy to apply and adds durable color and dimension to concrete surfaces.

- Designer patio sets, lawn chairs and other outdoor furniture can cost thousands of dollars. Why not give your old furniture a "face-lift" with spray paint like Rust-Oleum Universal? It's the first all-surface spray paint, so you can paint plastic, vinyl, metal, wood and more without worrying about it chipping or peeling. Use Espresso Brown or Real Almond to give your patio set a sophisticated, chic appearance. Want to add a burst of color to your outdoor spaces? Try vibrant colors like Crimson Red or Canary Yellow.



A little paint can go a long way toward improving the look of outdoor furniture.

- Planters and garden accents are a great way to add a personal touch to your patio and garden—but they can end up costing a pretty penny. Instead of spending a small fortune on decorative accessories, pick up some unfinished concrete pieces from your local store and spray them with a concrete stain such as Rust-Oleum Concrete Stain Aerosol. Transform ordinary planters into decorative accent pieces with colors like Burnished Gold and Sienna. Give statuary a classic look with Concrete Stain Aerosol in Earth Brown and Pewter. Protect your stained pieces with Concrete Sealer Aerosol, available in two sheens: gloss and natural. These UV- and chemical-resistant sealers add years of durability to concrete, stone and masonry.

For more inspiration and project ideas, visit www.paintideas.com. There are hundreds of easy, inexpensive projects that can help you transform any outdoor or indoor living space.