

# Patio Perfection

## Transforming Concrete Around Your Home Is Easier Than You Imagine

(NAPSA)—Curb appeal not only provides a first impression of your home but it also adds value. In the past, when it came to updating concrete and asphalt, most homeowners assumed that improvements would require a jack-hammer and a whole lot of sweat equity. Thanks to innovations from Rust-Oleum, it's easy to restore and beautify concrete and asphalt surfaces without hiring a contractor. Here are a few tips from the experts at Rust-Oleum that are sure to add plenty of curb appeal to your home.

Add style to patios and walkways. Decorative concrete has become a hot home improvement trend. Adding color and style to old gray concrete surfaces is as easy as painting with new concrete stains like Rust-Oleum Semi-Transparent Concrete Stain. Water based and easy to apply, it adds durable color and dimension to concrete porches, patios, walkways, pool decks and more. It's available in seven premixed colors and 34 custom colors to suit every style! Try Concrete Stain in Limestone for a clean, fresh look. Or use Earth Brown to give a dramatic, decorative look. In fact, browns are one of the most popular colors in today's outdoor decorating trends.

Repair and restore concrete surfaces. Is cracked or chipped concrete making your home look



**A pleasing patio is easier to make and maintain than many homeowners realize.**

older or just less appealing? Hiring a contractor to replace damaged patios, walkways and stairs can cost thousands of dollars. But with Rust-Oleum EPOXYShield Concrete Resurfacer, it's easier than ever to restore concrete surfaces and give them a new and improved appearance. The two-part cementitious microtopping combines Portland cement with acrylic polymers to create a stronger bond with existing concrete than a traditional concrete and water mixture. Even better, Concrete Resurfacer adds an extra layer of protection that withstands heavy foot and even vehicle traffic. Plus, it's easy—just roll it on for a natural concrete look.

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