Home Doctor

Fencing Fit For An Outdoor Living Room



Is it real or is it vinyl? Only your fencing contractor will know for sure, with the latest vinyl fences now featuring a natural wood look.

(NAPSA)—More than an outdoor accessory, a well-built fence is the best way to gain a little privacy and define your personal outdoor space.

Here are some commonly asked questions about fences answered by the Home Doctor.

Q: I would like to have more privacy in my backyard. What are my options for a low-maintenance privacy fence?

A: Wood creates a warm look but requires maintenance. You may want to consider a vinyl privacy fence that looks like wood, but doesn't have the maintenance hassles. Unlike natural wood, this strong, UV-resistant fence material withstands the elements, as well as termites and other woodboring pests.

Q: I want a low-maintenance fence that blends in with my wooded backyard. Are there natural-looking fences that are easy to keep up?

A: You're not the only one. Research shows that homeowners

want a fence that blends in with the house and its natural surroundings. For an easy-care fence consider an option like Certain-Teed's Chesterfield with Certa-Grain, a vinyl fence that features authentic-looking wood texture for the warmth of wood. This line comes in a variety of natural colors, including Autumn Brown, Natural Clay, Sierra Blend and Colonial White, which give the look of a freshly painted fence.

Q: Will the color of my fence fade?

A: With a wood fence, there is no guarantee. For vinyl fence options, go with a reliable brand that is well known. Thanks to advancements in color science, vinyl fencing is now being made in darker hues like brown that will last for years. White vinyl fencing is fade-resistant and its look of fresh paint never goes out of style.

To find out more about fence options, visit certainteed.com or call (800) 782-8777.