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**Backyard BBQ** playlist.

I hope this issue of Home Update provides some inspiration for making your backyard a place where summer memories are made.

Taking the time to give your backyard a makeover now is the key to a relaxing summer at home. Upgrading your landscaping, fixing up your deck or patio, and working in the garden this month will make those long, sunny July and August days spent in the yard even sweeter. Getting outside and crossing off those landscaping projects you've been wanting to tackle not only does wonders for your backyard, but it can also help to increase the value of your home. If you're looking to sell in the near future, I'm happy to provide information on what kinds of renovation projects help to increase the value of homes like yours.

For up-to-date information on the market in your area, or for any help planning a home sale or purchase, reach out to me anytime.



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**HOMEOWNERS EVERYWHERE ARE MAKING SUMMER PLANS, PUTTING TOGETHER TO-DO LISTS, AND PREPPING FOR A SEASON SPENT IN THE BACKYARD.**

## Giving Your Backyard a Summer Makeover

Summer is here! Nothing makes those times more satisfying than putting some work into your home's landscaping and beautifying your garden. These makeover tips will help you create the backyard you've always wanted.

### Upgrade Your Deck

- Whether your deck is the focal point of your backyard or a space to stow your grill, a few simple touches can have it looking completely refreshed. By creating a seating area on one side of the deck, you'll establish an inviting space for gatherings. If you barbecue on the deck, arrange your seating area on the opposite side to save room. Add in some colorful throw pillows and plants and you'll have a hang-out spot in no time. Pergolas and patio umbrellas provide shade, protect against any summer rains, and help to add a large splash of color. For seating, durable, weatherproof chairs and bench seats with underneath storage are popular, functional options.



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