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Trend Alert:

Garage conversions are gaining popularity as homeowners look to maximize their square footage. From guest suites to home gyms, the possibilities are endless.

Garages are no longer just for cars and storage; they're becoming versatile living spaces that add significant value to homes. In Southern California, where property prices are high, converting a garage into usable space is a cost-effective way to expand your living area.

What You Should Know:

Before starting a garage conversion, check your local zoning laws and permits. Some areas have restrictions on turning garages into living spaces. Once cleared, decide on the purpose of your new space. Popular options include guest suites, rental units, home gyms, or creative studios.

Insulation and ventilation are crucial for making the space comfortable year-round. Add windows or skylights to bring in natural light, and consider plumbing if you're adding a bathroom or kitchenette. Soundproofing can also be a valuable investment, especially if your garage faces a busy street.

Choosing a Pro:

JustHome.us connects you with contractors who specialize in garage conversions. Browse portfolios, read reviews, and find professionals who can guide you from concept to completion.

3 Tips for Homeowners:

- Plan for functionality. Design your space with features that match its intended use, whether it's built-in shelving for a gym or a separate entrance for a rental unit.
- 2. Invest in quality materials.

 Durable flooring and insulation are essential for converting garages into comfortable living areas.
- **3. Maximize natural light.** Large windows or glass doors can make the space feel open and inviting.

Explore expert contractors on JustHome.us to turn your garage into a valuable extension of your home.



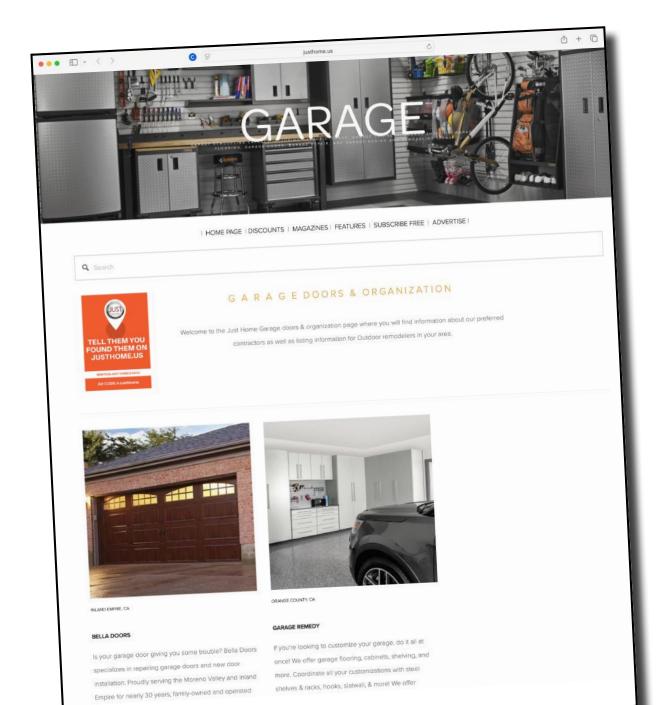


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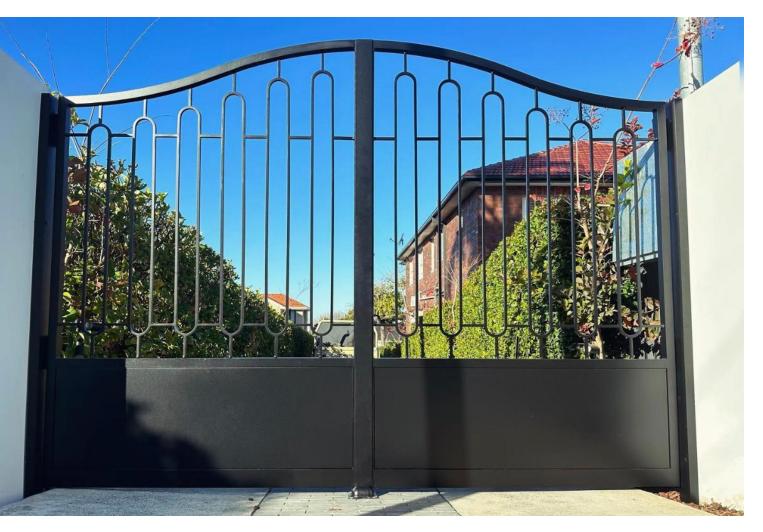


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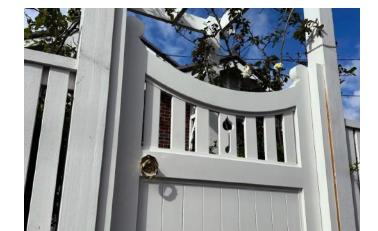


Contemporary Metal Gates for the Home



Contemporary metal gates offer a blend of style, durability, and security that make them an excellent choice for modern homes. One of the primary benefits is their strength and durability. Made from materials like steel or aluminum, these gates can withstand harsh weather conditions and resist corrosion, ensuring a long lifespan with minimal maintenance.

In terms of aesthetics, metal gates offer sleek, modern designs that can enhance a home's curb appeal. With customizable patterns, finishes, and





materials, adding to their appeal for environmentally-conscious homeowners. In conclusion, contemporary metal gates combine functionality, aesthetics, and sustainability, making them a smart

and stylish investment for any home.

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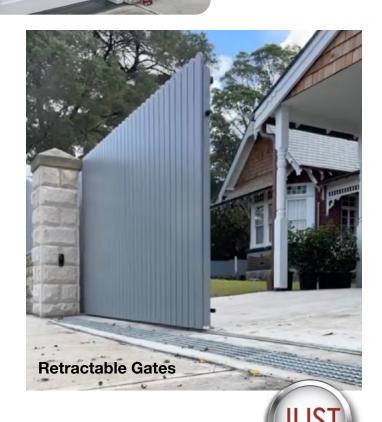
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colors, homeowners
can achieve a look
that complements
their property while
maintaining a modern,
upscale feel. The
versatility of metal

allows for both minimalist designs or more intricate, artistic features.

Security is another key advantage. Contemporary metal gates provide a robust barrier against intruders, offering peace of mind. They can also be integrated with advanced security features such as keypads, sensors, or automated systems, making access both convenient and secure.

Lastly, metal gates are eco-friendly as many are made from recyclable



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REIMAGINED SPAGES



Show you reimagined outdoor home spaces that went from underrated to perfectly purposeful. Since March, most of us have had time to reevaluate our life and how important it is to utilize all aspects of our homes to the fullest potential. These before and after backyards will give you the motivation you need to propel you into designing your perfectly purposeful space for you too.



JustHome.US likes to see aspirations become to fruition. This outdoor pergola has definitely seen better days and received the most significant makeover. It went from Sunday bbq with the family to invite the neighborhood. This patio has the perfect place to mingle.

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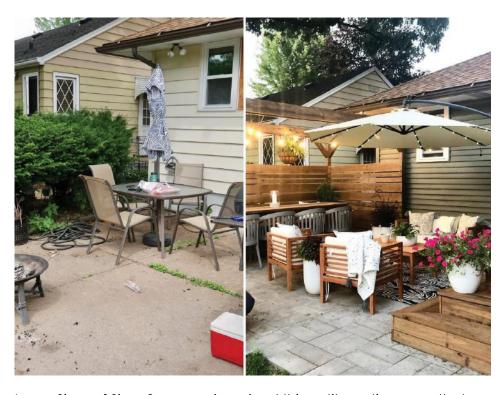








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Laura Sima of Sima Spaces reimagined this petite patio space that was lacking some luster and transformed it into a modern space full of potential. Utilizing a little creativity, she turned this space into the perfect place to entertain.







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BALANCE

Your outside space is just as important as your indoor space. If you have bad energy in your outdoor space, it can cancel out the good energy you have on the inside.

In this short read, we are going to take a different approach when thinking about refreshing your outdoor space.

We are going to talk Feng-Shui!

Feng Shui — /feNG 'SHooē/

It is a system of laws considered to govern spatial arrangement and orientation in relation to the flow of energy (qi), and its favorable or unfavorable effects are considered when designing any space.

Make sure your outdoor space is clean and free of clutter.

Recognize dead plants equal dead energy, so clear out the old leaves and dead branches are imperative.

Here are five ways you can use the elements of feng shui to harmonize the flow of chi of your exterior space:

 Use the elements of Feng shui — wood, fire, earth, metal, and water — in order to bring good energy and prosperity your way.



2. Balance your paint colors.

The color of your house can align with feng shui principles as well. We suggest choosing a home color that blends with the elements around it.



3. Use a Bagua map for direction. Bagua maps are used like a compass. It gives direction when planning the layout for your space. This is a fun challenge in redesigning your space.





5. Use wind chimes. Wind chimes can be used to move the energy around you.

In conclusion, your garden or outdoor space is an extension of your indoor space. By using the 5 elements of feng shui, you will increase your energy flow, chi and create a harmonized and balanced space and life.



You want to have a strong front door so that you can welcome positive energy. When gi can flow easily into your home, this energy brings abundance and ease. The front door refers to the home's official, formal front door. The area leading up to your home should be free from any clutter, dead plants, or old decorations.







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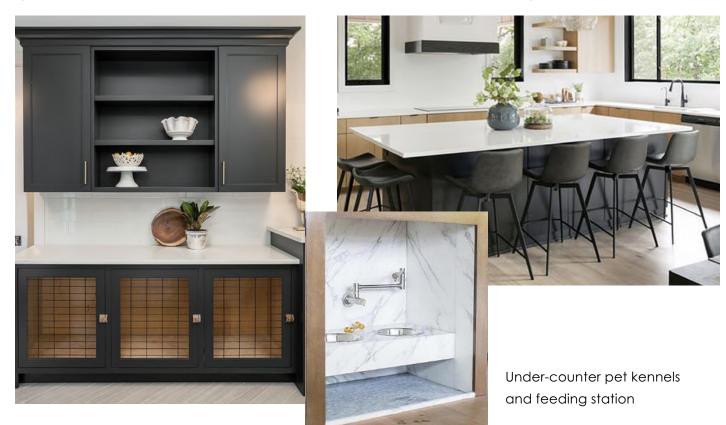
Spacious Focused Interior Family and Friend Focused Interior Trend

People want comfortable, welcoming, and spacious spaces throughout their homes, with enough seating for family, friends, and even fur babies is taking precedence in home designs.

Nevertheless, finding a balance in comfort and style is vital and challenging for creating the perfect family-friendly space. Three essential areas in your home need extra attention when designing the ideal area that accommodates everyone.

The Kitchen, Dining, and Living Room, these areas are the fundamental heart of the home. They are the spaces in which everyone tends to congregate, especially during the winter months.

Kitchen islands have come a long way from just the traditional breakfast bar. Kitchen island designs have now not only created space for the chef of the home but also added functional seating for the whole family, and let's not forget the genius who came up with the built-in pet kennels and feeding stations.





Dining has taken a turn, and has evolved past the point of prim and proper and have become the perfect entertainment space for those memorable moments of long, loud hilarious conversations! Large tables that seat eight or more are the in thing now.

Living Rooms are the last piece to the puzzle that needs that welcoming cozy vibe that can comfortably accommodate larger gatherings.

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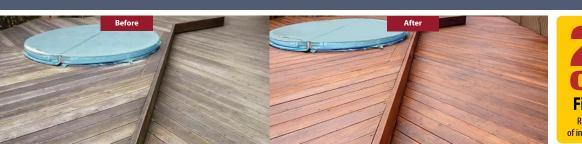
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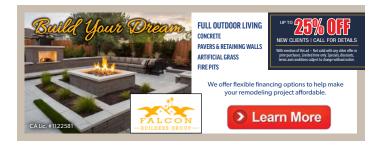


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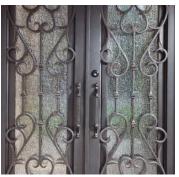




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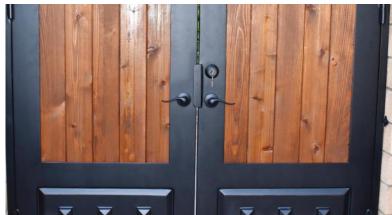
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