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Outdoor Upgrades to Boost Your Home's Value

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Outdoor spaces are untapped potential when it comes to increasing home value. If you have a backyard, garden, or outdoor area that's untouched, there are upgrades you can do that can help boost your property's value and make your outdoor living experience better than ever. Find out some of the top outdoor upgrades below.



ADD OUTDOOR LIVING SPACE

Living space is important in any home, and it's even better if you can utilize your outdoor areas. Covered living spaces, like patios or decks, not only increase the amount of usable space on your property, they help add value to your home, and they're a popular upgrade for homeowners across North America. If you have the space and extra budget, consider adding an outdoor kitchen as well. Outdoor kitchens are becoming more and more popular, especially with buyers who like to entertain. Utilizing your property's outdoor space to add additional living and dining space will not only make your home more livable and marketable, you'll also boost the value of your home when it comes time to sell.

UPGRADED FENCE

Security in and around your property is important, and a fence helps secure your yard from outside issues. If your property is lacking a fence, or your current fence is in need of some major TLC, consider a fence upgrade. Fences have a purpose, but they can also add a stylish design element to your yard. The initial investment in a fence can be a lot, especially if you have a big yard, but a good quality fence will last for many years, and if you choose to sell your home in the future, buyers look highly on a property with a good fence.

IN-GROUND SPRINKLER SYSTEM

Watering your yard or plants can get cumbersome, especially if you have a large property or need to do it more than once a day. While there are plenty of lawn sprinkler options online and at your local hardware store, an in-ground irrigation system not only helps make your life easier, it can also help boost your home's value. Irrigation technology has evolved over the years to allow for smart systems that determine whether to water or not, which can help you save money over time. While an in-ground sprinkler system can be an investment, you'll not only save time, you'll definitely see a return when you sell.

LANDSCAPE REFRESH

Just like inside your home, your yard and outdoor areas can become outdated and in need of a refresh. Landscape updates not only help improve your home's value, they also look great. You don't have to go all out - pulling weeds and other unwanted shrubs; adding trees, plants and mulch; or replacing worn out/dead grass with new seed or sod can help revitalize a sad yard and make it much more appealing to potential buyers. And even if you don't plan on selling, you'll be able to enjoy your new yard throughout the year.

OUTDOOR LIGHTING

Lighting can make or break a home, and it can also make or break a yard. There is a ton of untapped potential for boosting your home's value and adding appeal by installing outdoor lighting. Additional lighting not only helps to enhance safety and security, it can help add luxury appeal to your yard that other homes may be lacking. Whether you upgrade your current exterior lighting, install landscape lighting or in-ground light fixtures, or even add solar lights along your home's pathways, you'll help boost your home's value and make your home more appealing to future buyers. Adding value to your home can seem like a huge task, but it's not. If you have an outdoor area, utilize it! Many homeowners overlook the potential of their outdoor spaces when simple upgrades can add good value to the property. If you need help, a landscape architect or designer can help your home's exterior achieve greatness.



Just Sold!

10 Ohm Drive
Mapleton, Iowa
Congratulations
Cody and Kaylee!

Just Sold!

1013 15th Street
Onawa, Iowa
Congratulations
Nathan!

Just Sold!

1205 Pearl Street
Onawa, Iowa
Congratulations
JR and Vicky!

Homemade Danish Rhubarb Muffins



- 1 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1 egg
- 2 tsp vanilla
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 1/2 cup rhubarb

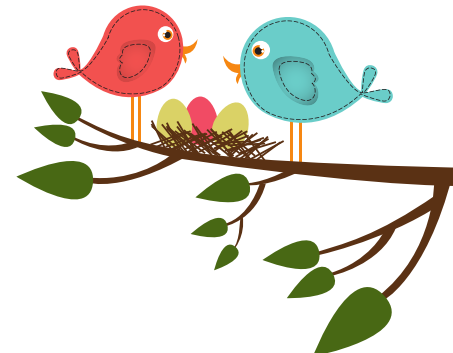
Mix in mixing bowl.

- 2 1/2 cup flour
- 1 tsp. soda
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp salt

Mix into rhubarb mixture.

- Topping
- 1 tsp melted oleo
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- Mix and top muffins before baking

Bake 350 for about 20 minutes. Enjoy!





NEW LISTING!



Large 5BR, 2BA
Large 2 Car Attached Garage
204 Larpenteur Mem. Rd.
Turin, IA
\$94,900

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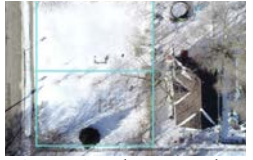
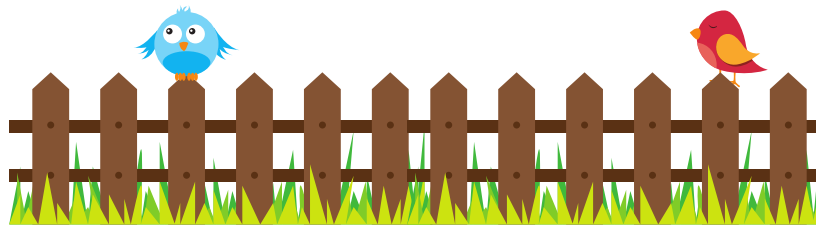


PENDING!
1119 15th Street
Onawa, IA
\$139,900

NEW LISTING!



PENDING!
622 14th Street
Onawa, IA
\$94,900



2 Lots On The Westside!
1201-1203 W 3rd
Sioux City, IA
\$14,900



Commercial Property
Many Possibilities!
517 10th St.
Onawa, IA
\$184,900



PENDING!
408 Monona Street
Whiting, IA
\$114,900



PENDING!
2641 Indian Hills Court
Sioux City, IA
\$264,900



JUST SOLD!
3225 4th Avenue Place
Sioux City, IA
\$145,000



JUST SOLD!
207 5th Avenue
Hornick, IA
\$65,000



JUST SOLD!
1205 Pearl Street
Onawa, IA
\$140,000



JUST SOLD!
125 N Monona Street
Blencoe, IA
\$79,900



JUST SOLD!
1456 G Avenue
South Sioux City, NE
\$241,500



JUST SOLD!
313 Myrtle Street
Sioux City, IA
\$120,000



JUST SOLD!
10 Ohm Drive
Mapleton, IA
\$139,900



JUST SOLD!
1013 15th St.
Onawa, IA
\$110,000

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