



Finding help for your first hardscaping

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DECIDING THAT YOU WANT TO HARDSCAPE your outdoor space is an easy first step. So easy, in fact, that you might get a little overzealous and consider conquering an entire backyard renovation solo. Concrete pads, stone waterfalls, pergolas, Mediterranean-style courtyards: they all sound fantastic until you're knee-deep in Step 1, want to get to Step 3 and have a million questions about Step 2. For your first project, it's a smart move to phone an expert and make sure it gets done right, because what you do now will set the foundation for any later projects.

