# Why Elevate Your Outdoor Deck this Spring?

Most outdoor decks are raised, but the height will ultimately depend heavily on the design of your home. Many decks are raised to meet the threshold of the door on a variety of styles of houses. For a split level or raised ranch style, a second-story deck is likely the best option. There are unattached decks too, which can be placed anywhere on your property that you want to add extra space to your landscaping.

When adding or remodeling an outdoor deck, it is essential to check to see if you need any building permits and make sure any building you do or changes you make fall within the rules set by your homeowners association.

Aside from the height and style of the deck, you will need to consider its size and shape, as well as what material you want to build it with. The type of climate your home is located in and what you intend to use the deck for may also play into these decisions. You can even add a fire or water feature as well as other design elements to your deck.

## 5 Ways an Outdoor Deck Transforms Your Living Space

Each person has their reasons for wanting to build an outside deck, but these are some of the best reasons that apply to almost everyone:

### 1. Adds Value to Your Home

An outdoor deck will add value to your home. One of the best things about choosing this particular project is that it more than pays for itself! Not only will you get years of use out of your deck, but if you sell your home, the deck's value will simply add to it!

## 2. Upgrades the Aesthetics of Your Landscape

Adding or upgrading your deck gives your home an added touch. It provides a new look and design to the yard and can add more functional outside space for your family to use.

### 3. Extends Indoor Space

Having an outdoor deck that is attached to your home will extend your home's space. This can provide a play or work area that allows your indoor activities to flow outside.

#### 4. Fresh Air and Better Views

If you want to get outside more often or feel that you aren't taking advantage of your yard or the lovely view you have from your home, then an outdoor deck is a perfect option for you! You can create a unique outdoor space that will allow you to enjoy your property thoroughly.

#### 5. Place to Entertain

Whether it is an attached style or not, adding an outdoor deck will give you a great place to entertain friends and family. Whether it's card games, cookouts, parties, or gatherings, your deck will provide you with a terrific outdoor location to entertain guests.

## **Final Thoughts**

While some decks can be built, repaired, or remodeled as a "do it yourself" project, it is important to remember that if there are any special considerations you want to integrate, you will likely need the help of a professional.

Adding an outdoor deck is one of the simplest ways to creatively cultivate a unique outdoor space. This can help you enjoy being at home more, especially during these trying times, and can even add value to your property!