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Outdoor Kitchens

Available in a variety of configurations, Napoleon's Oasis stainless steel outdoor kitchens can also be customized. For example, the Oasis 100 Island has a 760-square-inch gas grill, a three-drawer cabinet, an under-grill cabinet, a single-door cabinet, and two end panels. But your customers can select different grill heads or cabinets, or add components such as a waste drawer, refrigerator, or propane tank holder. Kitchens can be freestanding or built-in. The powder-coated galvanized-steel cabinets have stainless steel doors, knockouts for electrical and gas, and adjustable feet for leveling. Prices start at \$3,200. Napoleon, napoleongrills.com



Aluminum Decking

SigmaDek's aluminum-deck package includes posts, beams, joists, ledgers, railings, stairs, and porcelain deck boards, which, the company says, won't decay or warp and are noncombustible and impervious to insects. SigmaDek says its prefabricated decks require less labor and time to build than conventional wood ones; video at the company's website shows a two-level deck being assembled in three hours. Decking comes in five finishes (special-order colors available). Lighting, gates, and glass rail panels can be added. For now, SigmaDek distributes the system only in California. Prices average \$60 to \$90 per square foot. SigmaDek, sigmadekus.com



Vertical Cable Rail

Fortress says its vertical-cable-rail system is the first panelized cable-rail system in the industry. Prefabricated sections, made from 316 marine-grade stainless steel cable and components, can be used with wood, composite, vinyl, or Fortress iron posts. Rails and reinforcement channels are made from cold-rolled steel with a G-60 zinc coating. Cable-rail sections come in 6- and 8-foot lengths and in heights of 34 and 40 inches; angled stair panels in both heights also are available. Rail sections can be cut in the field. Components are guaranteed for 15 years. Check with your dealer for pricing. Fortress Railing Products, fortressrailing.com



Walkable Vinyl Membranes

Duradek has updated its line of vinyl membranes with new textures and colors. Designed for use on roof decks, sun decks, balconies, and patios in all North American climates, the revised Legacy line of 60-mil membranes includes surfaces that mimic the look of a pebble beach, barn wood, and driftwood. The membranes are available through Duradek's network of installation contractors but are not sold to individuals. With proper care and cleaning, the company says, the surface could last 15 to 20 years. Duradek says prices vary by region and by the job. Duradek, duradek.com

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There are lots of concrete pavers on the market, but Olde World Stone and Tile Molds suggests you can make them yourself for less. Raw materials for a square foot of paver cost between 28 and 65 cents, depending on thickness, according to Olde World. The rubberized ABS plastic molds should last for hundreds of pours. The company has more than 200 styles and sizes on hand and also will make custom molds. Buyers can buy just the mold or a complete kit. Prices vary by mold and kit contents: A mold to make roughly 3 square feet of "Olde Drystack Ledgestone" is about \$90; a kit containing mold, release agent, sealer, concrete colorant, and concrete additive is \$200. The Mold Store, themoldstore.com







Textured Black Aluminum Railings

A new powder-coat black finish on Feeney's DesignRail aluminum railing system is the first finish in the line to feature a slightly raised, uniformly textured surface. The surface helps hide fingerprints and minor scratches and meets AAMA-2604 coating specs for impact and weather resistance. Textured Black costs the same—\$85 per foot—as Feeney's other standard colors. DesignRail kits include 6-foot top and bottom rails, a predrilled intermediate picket, rail connecting brackets, and installation hardware. Railings are available for both level installations and stairways. Feeney, feeneyinc.com

Solar LEDs

Gama Sonic USA is adding its new solar LED bulb technology to its popular Victorian collection of outdoor lighting. The line includes a range of styles and versions that come with one, two, and three solar lamps. There's also a lamp with three mounting options that can be used in both residential and commercial settings. Protected by a cast aluminum housing that needs no maintenance, the new bulb mimics the 360-degree light spread of traditional incandescent bulbs by using a cluster of LEDS in the center along with a patented cone reflector. Prices vary by model, starting at \$160. Gama Sonic, gamasonic.com

Flashing Tape

DeckWise makes two versions of peel-and-stick tape: 3-inch-wide JoistTape for protecting the tops of deck joists from moisture and decay and 12-inch-wide LedgerTape to seal deck ledgers and prevent water damage to house sheathing and framing. Both are made from a flexible polyethylene with a self-sealing rubberized adhesive. JoistTape also helps prevent deck boards from squeaking, according to the manufacturer, and LedgerTape can be used to wrap wood deck or fence posts that will be buried in the ground. JoistTape sells for about \$30 for a 3-inch-by-75-foot roll; LedgerTape retails for \$36 for a 12-inch-by-25-foot roll. DeckWise, deckwise.com *