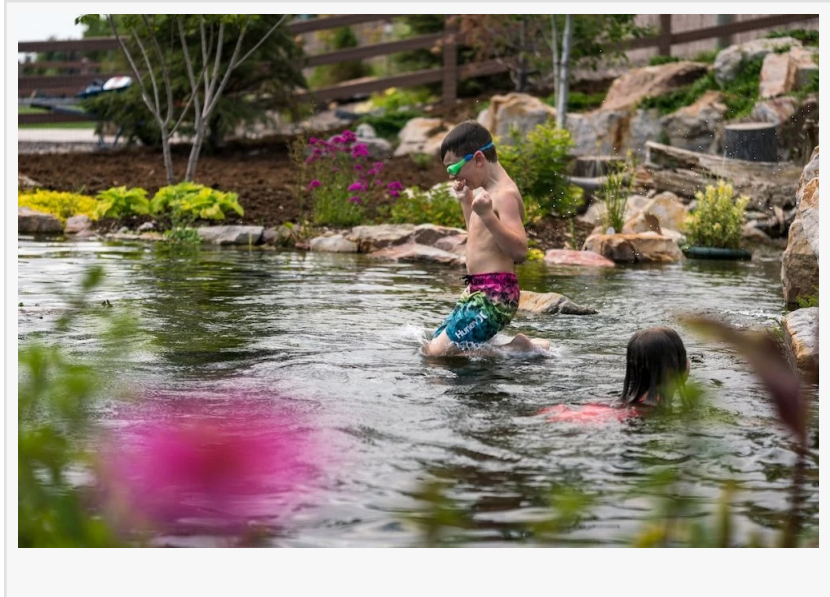


Hiner Outdoor Living Builds Colorado Springs Backyards Around Year-Round Recreational Ponds

Hiner Outdoor Living builds year-round recreational ponds in Colorado Springs, pairing recirculating water features with low-water landscape design.

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- As drought shapes Front Range landscape decisions, the design-build company is pairing recirculating ponds with low-water planting design for backyards used in every season.



Hiner Outdoor Living is building its backyard design work around [recreational ponds](#), a direction the company says answers the two questions Colorado homeowners now raise before any outdoor project: how much water a landscape will ask for, and how many months of the year they will actually use it. A conventional pool season in Colorado runs roughly four months. A recreational pond, built with adequate depth and aeration, holds through the region's temperature swings and stays a feature of the yard in all twelve.

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The water question has become the harder conversation. Restrictions and drought coverage have made Front Range homeowners cautious about anything that holds water, and Hiner Outdoor Living has chosen to address it directly rather than design around it. A recreational pond is a recirculating system. Biofiltration, aquatic plantings, and natural bacteria keep the water clear without chlorine, and the water moves through the system rather than being

applied across a landscape and lost to soil. The company reports growing interest in [xeriscaping](#)

and natural water features as Colorado homeowners become more conscious about the environment and their water use. Hiner designs both together, sizing the water feature to fit the site and surrounding it with low-water plantings to reduce overall high-water-use area.

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Hiner Outdoor Living builds both ponds and inground pools, and frames the comparison for homeowners around maintenance and length of season rather than treating one as a replacement for the other.

The pond is rarely the whole project. It anchors what goes around it: patios and seating set close to the water, fire features that hold an evening past sunset, and the saunas, cold plunges, and hot tubs the company hears homeowners asking about more often as they look for reasons to be outside in colder months. Terrain a homeowner reads as a problem is often where the pond belongs. The natural slopes common across Colorado Springs and the surrounding foothills can be shaped into a waterfall run rather than left as unusable ground.

For families, the appeal often turns out to be what happens when no one is swimming. Aquatic plants establish, fish settle in, and dragonflies, frogs, and birds find the water on their own. Children notice how the pond changes from one season to the next.

To make the first step easier, the company has published interactive pond project calculators and pondless project calculators on its website. The tools cover the three pond styles Hiner builds, Cobble, Boulder, and Keystone, with a pondless version of each for homeowners who want moving water without an open pond. Each produces a starting figure a homeowner can bring into a design conversation rather than waiting on a full proposal.

Hiner Outdoor Living was founded in Colorado Springs in 2008 and has built water features as its core specialty since. The company operates as a single design-build team, keeping design and construction under one roof so homeowners work with one point of contact for the life of the project. It is a Belgard Authorized Contractor and serves Colorado Springs along with Briargate, Monument, Castle Rock, Parker, Highlands Ranch, and surrounding Front Range communities.

The company plans to continue expanding its recreational pond work across the Colorado Springs area through 2026.

Homeowners can explore design options on the recreational ponds page or start with a [pond project calculator](#).

About Hiner Outdoor Living

Hiner Outdoor Living is a design-build outdoor living company founded in 2008 and based in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The company designs and builds recreational ponds, waterfalls and fountains, inground pools, patios, outdoor kitchens, fire features, retaining walls, and xeriscaped

landscapes for homeowners across Colorado Springs and the surrounding Front Range communities, and provides ongoing water feature maintenance and renovation. Its showroom and design center is located at 2785 Steel Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80907. For more information, call 719-357-5770 or email info@hineroutdoorliving.com.

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