



# INTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

## Into The Great Outdoors With Composite Decking

(NAPSA)—People looking to create a little more room at home are extending their living space beyond walls and into the great outdoors by adding a deck. It's more affordable than building a new room, plus modern materials are making decks more livable than ever.

Composite decks have hit the home scene in a big way. Compared to wood, composites provide desired design flexibility with a host of additional benefits. In fact, composites are rapidly replacing wood as homeowners' preferred deck material.

Composite products offer relief to homeowners by getting rid of snags and splinters typical of deck lumber. Made from a mix of recycled plastics and sawdust, composite decks provide splinter-free, slip-resistant surfaces that are comfortable to handle and walk on. For instance, the barefoot-friendly Boardwalk Composite Decking by CertainTeed is a safe material for family members of all ages.

Unlike traditional wood decks that often require constant upkeep, composites last longer and won't split or rot. There is also no need to paint or stain composite decking, making them easy to maintain.

As demand for composite decks increases, so do the design options. Complete composite decking and railing systems are now available to create a consistent, finished look for homeowners' outdoor spaces. And, reputable lines



**Safer, easier to maintain decks are being made out of composite materials.**

meet national building codes for safety.

New hidden fastener systems are also boosting aesthetic appeal by leaving few visible nails or screws. The popular CertainTeed Boardwalk system has increased design options by offering different colors and finishes, including a new woodgrain finish plank.

Fascia is another great addition to any deck because it provides a clean, finished look covering joints and plank ends. It can also be used as risers between steps.

Composite decking systems offer homeowners the chance to create additional living space in their own yards. Decks that are safe to the touch and appealing to the eye are taking more homeowners into the great outdoors.

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