



Determining the budget for your landscape is a very important process.

At the risk of 'scaring you away' before we have gotten you very excited about a new landscape, we feel it is important to educate you about the true costs of your dream before you get too far along in the process. This will really help streamline the design process and ultimately save money and time by being able to create the right design the first time.

Our costs are very competitive for the quality of the work performed and the service that we offer.

We work diligently to keep our overhead and all the costs associated with running a business to a minimum.

Despite our efforts, this being a low margin business, we are fortunate when we earn 10% net profit at the end of the year. When this goal is achieved, we split this profit with our employees.

ROUGH OVERALL SQUARE FOOTAGE(SFT) COSTS, including design & installation

Demo, Planting, Lawn, Irrigation Only	\$6.5 to \$8.5/sft
Softscape Inc. planting & step stones, boulders, etc.	\$7.5 to \$12/sft
Typical Yard Inc. softscape & avg. amount of hardscape	\$11 to \$16/sft
More Complex with More Hardscape	\$20 to \$30/sft & Beyond

[If even a phased approach to the installation of your landscape is out of your budge, please check out our lower cost \(about \\$3/sft\), more restrictive program NaturalFrontYards.com.](#)

Design only costs:

typical designer rates are around \$80/hr

average front yard design costs range from \$1000 to \$2000

average backyard design costs range from \$2000 to \$3000

Abbreviation Key

sft = square footage

lnft = lineal feet

hr = hour

6' = 6 feet

22" = 22 inches

gal = gallon

trans. = transformer

Installation Costs (includes labor & all materials)

DEMOLITION & ROUGH GRADE

DRAINAGE

ELECTRICAL

Lay Elec.Conduit
Outlet

CARPENTRY

Decks
Arbors
Fencing
Gates
Screens/Trellis
Repairs/Misc
Certified Sustainably Harvested

PATIOS/PATHS

Gold or Grey Fines
Gravel
Flagstone in Sand, fines joints
Flagstone in Sand, groundcover
Flagstone in Concrete
Flagstone Over Existing Concrete
Concrete

Concrete Steps/Landings
Pavers
Pavers Over Existing Concrete
TurfBlock/Stone
Pervious Pavers
Bricks in Sand
Bricks in Concrete
Bricks Over Existing Concrete
Recycled Concrete/Urbanite
Staining & Other Concrete Resurfacing
Asphalt
Playground Poured in Place

WALLS

Wood
Sonoma Fieldstone
Stacked Recycled Concrete
Stacked Flag/ Ledgerstone
Stacked Block
Concrete Block
Brick
Poured Earth
Poured Concrete
Stucco Fence
Columns
Caps
Veneer
Built-in-BBQs

Approximate Costs

\$40/hr + hauling; \$.50 to \$1.5/sft

\$320 downspout to a drywell

\$14/lnft
\$350 each

\$20 to \$23/sft + benches, steps
\$20 to \$30/sft
\$36/lnft for 6' tall
\$250 each
\$16/sft + gates

Add \$1/sft or \$1/lnft to above pricing

\$8.8/sft inc. excavation & borders
\$6.5/sft inc. excavation & borders
\$19/sft Ariz & \$20/sft full range Conn inc. excavation
\$17/sft Ariz & \$18/sft f.r. Conn + planting & irrigation
\$33/sft Ariz & \$34/sft f.r. Conn inc. excavation
\$20/sft Ariz & \$21/sft f.r. Conn + crack isolation
\$14/sft plain; \$15/sft color; \$16.5/sft aggregate;
\$19/sft stamped; \$16/sft pervious w/color inc. exca.
\$425 for 3'x3' raised landing; \$130 for each 3' wide step
\$18/sft inc. excavation
\$12.5/sft in sand, generally no demo or excavation needed
\$16.5/sft inc. excavation + irrigation & planting
\$22.5/sft inc. excavation
\$18/sft inc. excavation
\$34/sft inc. excavation
\$13/sft in sand & \$20/sft in mortar, no demo or exca
\$17.5/sft inc. excavation
\$3 to \$13/sft
\$8/sft inc. excavation
\$20/sft inc. excavation & borders

\$38/sft rdwd & \$35/sft PT inc. grading & drainage
\$45/sft inc. grading & drainage
\$26/sft
\$80/sft Ariz & \$88/sft Conn inc. grading
\$43/sft inc. grading & drainage
\$68/sft inc. grading, drainage & stucco + cap
\$45/sft single & \$75/sft double + grading
\$70/sft 9" wide
\$64/sft 8" wide + color
\$51/sft 9" wide
4'Tx22"W: \$1350 stucco or \$2000 flag veneer + cap
\$40/sft random Ariz; \$30/sft pre-cut Ariz; \$37/sft El Dorado
\$35/vertical sft Ariz. Flagstone;
\$8000 to \$15,000

RAISED VEGETABLE BEDS	\$30/sft
DRY CREEKS	\$9/sft inc. excavation
FOUNTAINS	\$200 to \$300/sft
BORDERS	\$5/lnft 1x4polywog; \$6/lnft 2x4 rdwd; \$6.5/lnft Trex
LAWNS & MEADOWS	\$1.9 to \$3/sft
Synthetic	\$16/sft inc. excavation
SOIL PREPARATION	\$1 to \$2/sft
Soil Prep by Yard	\$100/yard using onsite soil
BOULDERS	\$75 small; \$140 med; \$220 large Sonoma
STEPPING STONES	\$15/lnft Ariz & \$17/lnft Conn single spaced, no lawn
PLANTS	conditional 4 month warranty on plants & 1 year for trees
Plants	\$17/ 1 gal; \$48/ 5 gal; \$150/ 15 gal shrub
Trees	\$95/ 5 gal; \$170/ 15 gal; \$350/ 24" box; \$1060/ 36" box
Vines	\$48/ 1 gal; \$75/ 5 gal
Planting Only	no warranty: \$5.5/ 1 gal; \$13/ 5 gal; \$60/ 15 gal tree
Pots	\$90 each + cost of pot, plants & irrigation
Root Barrier	\$21/ lnft for 24" deep + root pruning
IRRIGATION	
Backflow Devices	\$220 each
Hose Bibbs	\$370 each inc. some mainline
Timers	\$260/ 6 station; \$340/ 9 sta.; \$420/ 12 sta. + outdoors
Drip	\$5.8/emitter inc. drip valve
Inline Drip	\$1.1/ sft inc. drip valve + raised beds
Sprinklers	\$1.3/sft lawn; \$2.2/sft 6" pop-ups; \$3.2/sft 12" pop-ups
Shut-off Valves	\$21 each
Irrigation Boxes	\$150 each
Misc. Irrigation	
LIGHTING	
Traditional	\$400 trans.; \$115 path & up lts; \$160 down; \$190 wall
LED	\$350 trans.; \$200 path; \$200 up; \$230 down; \$250 wall
X10 Remote	\$300 inc. timer
MULCH	
Tan Bark	\$1/sft inc. newspaper
Wood Chips	\$.88/sft inc. newspaper
Shredded	\$.88/sft inc. newspaper
Shredded on Hills	\$1.60/sft inc. newspaper & jute
Playground Fiber	\$3.40/sft inc. fabric & 5" of fiber
MISC	
Wrought Iron Fences	\$17/sft, ie 6' tall x 50' long= 300 sft @ \$17/sft= \$5100
Wrought Iron Gates	\$60/sft, ie. 4' wide x 5' tall gate= 20 sft @ \$60/sft= \$1200
Chain Link Fence	\$4.5/sft
Timber Steps	\$37/lnft redwood + if walls needed
Hourly Rates	\$40/hr laborer; \$50/hr mason; \$60/hr carpenter