

# Practical Patio Design Checklist 2025 USA

## ■ Planning & Layout

- Define the purpose of your outdoor space (dining, lounge, mixed).
- Measure available area and sketch zones.
- Ensure smooth indoor–outdoor flow.

## ■ Materials & Sustainability

- Choose eco-friendly deck materials with long lifespan.
- Compare installed costs (wood vs composite).
- Plan sealing or maintenance schedule.

## ■ Furniture & Comfort

- Select modular and flexible furniture.
- Add weather-resistant cushions and storage.
- Create both sun and shade seating.

## ■ Style & Colors

- Keep flooring and base furniture neutral.
- Add accent tones with textiles.
- Follow patio color trends for 2025 (muted greens, earthy rusts).

## ■ Small Space Solutions

- Use vertical gardens to save floor area.
- Try fold-down tables or benches with storage.
- Keep circulation paths clear.

## ■ DIY & Budget

- Decide what to DIY (painting, decor) and what to outsource.
- Collect multiple quotes from pros.
- Plan maintenance costs from the start.