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12 outdoor fireplace ideas to add a glow to your outside space

ARE OUTDOOR FIREPLACES WORTH IT?

We spoke to Owen Pacey of Renaissance on why we're all so keen to add outdoor fireplaces to our backyards. He says 'Adding a beautiful period fireplace will really add the winning wow-factor.' It could even do wonders for your property value 'so while it's important to enjoy the fireplace in situ, bear in mind that future buyers might just be lured in by this quirky, distinctive and stylish feature.'

'You can install any fireplace outdoors but I'd always recommend Bath Stone or Portland Stone for durability outside.'

Pacey tells us that the size of your outdoor space doesn't matter, explaining that 'you don't need a big garden to fit a fireplace outside! He adds, 'In fact, the scale of a fireplace can actually create the illusion of more space!

CAN I BUILD MY OWN OUTDOOR FIREPLACE?

You certainly can build your own brick outdoor fireplace if you prefer a little DIY. According to Pacey, 'All you need to do is install the brickwork flue for the fireplace to be fitted. In terms of practicality, gas is the way to go without a doubt, especially in urban homes. It's better for the environment and no grate cleaning required. One gust of wind blowing ashes around everywhere and you'll agree with me.'