

10 Questions to Ask When Buying a Pool



Adding a pool to your home is an exciting proposition! But the more thought you put into it ahead of time, the happier you will be with the final product. What does your family want from a pool? Fitness? Fun for the kids? The ideal party place?

All of these are important things to consider as you begin the process of buying and installing a pool. Following are ten questions that will help you prepare for those initial meetings with your contractor.

1. How will my family use the pool? (For exercise? play space? socializing?)
2. What pool style will function best for my family's needs?
3. How deep (or how shallow) should my pool be—what's comfortable?
4. How much yard space do I want my pool to take up?
5. What shape will best suit my landscaping?
6. Do I want a patio, a pool house or cabana area?
7. Do I want the pool to reflect the architecture of my home?
8. What add-ons or unique features do I want to add (A hot tub or spa? a diving board? a slide? a waterfall)?
9. Do I want to make this pool handicapped accessible one day?
10. What's my budget, and what financing options are available?