



Gamify

YOUR BACKYARD FOR SUMMER

* WHILE KEEPING IT SAFE & LOOKING GREAT



WET ZONE

FOR EXTRA FUN:

From slippery slides to inflatable pools – add a twist to a water balloon toss by using a sling shot!

FOR LAWN HEALTH:

If this area gets oversaturated, adjust your watering schedule and irrigation pattern to avoid the area when in use.

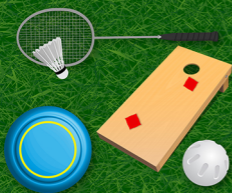
CRAFT ZONE

FOR EXTRA FUN:

From painting rocks to DIY play dough, this space can even be used for messy science experiments!

FOR LAWN HEALTH:

Use water-based paint such as tempera. If you get paint on the grass, make sure to rinse it off leaf blades.



GAMING + SPORTS ZONE

FOR EXTRA FUN:

For games of corn hole, kick ball, and wiffle ball - add a scorecard system to this area to keep the competition alive!

FOR LAWN HEALTH:

All that running and sliding into home can cause overuse on the turf. Avoid excess play if the ground is saturated. If played frequently, move the play site to avoid soil compaction. Keep an eye on those spots and make note to potentially aerate and re-seed this fall.

OUTDOOR FORT ZONE

FOR EXTRA FUN:

Add outdoor blankets and pillows to make this a comfortable place for lounging and imaginative play like cloud watching.

FOR LAWN HEALTH:

Make sure to take down awnings or lawn coverings periodically so that this area can still get sunlight.



REFRESHMENT ZONE

FOR EXTRA FUN:

Pack a cooler with refreshments to prevent the neighborhood from tracking dirt into the house. Keep a bucket handy filled with supplies the family might need often: sunscreen, insect repellent, towels, etc.

FOR LAWN HEALTH:

If you keep a grill in this area, do not place hot covers on the lawn. Periodically move coolers and grills to make sure this area gets sun.

SWING SET ZONE

FOR EXTRA FUN:

Create an obstacle course with the swing set and award prizes for how many reps through the course are completed.

FOR LAWN HEALTH:

Keep swing sets away from wooded areas and bring into the sunlight. Ticks and other insects tend to congregate in backyards and usually stick to the cool, wooded areas. Consider TruShield, TruGreen's outdoor lawn pest control service, so that you don't have to worry about the dangers of insect bites.



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