

## Alexon Design and Landscaping Newsletter

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**Dear TJ,**

We at Alexon Design would like to thank you for the tremendous feedback on our first newsletter. We are so pleased that you found it informative as well as a useful resource. Our goal is to grow and evolve as a company. Your interaction with us will help to reinforce our strengths and find solutions to ways that we can serve you better. There is one thing that we hope resonates with you and that is simply... we are passionate about landscaping.

In this down economy, we rely on our referrals more than ever. If you could forward this newsletter to anyone that might be in need of our services or might find this newsletter useful, we would greatly appreciate it.

### It's Back to School Time Again...

The "bittersweet" days of back to school are here. To clarify, it is bitter for the kids and sweet for us. One thing that many of us have in common is that it is time to be getting ready for the football games and outdoor gatherings; as we are almost over the hottest part of the season. This is a great time of year to be thinking about an outdoor BBQ structure. There are a couple of types that Alexon offers. It all comes down to personal preference which must fit your needs as well as fit in with the design of your overall landscape.

There is the traditional block BBQ structure and there is a steel BBQ structure. Both can house a variety of accessories which can include a grill, refrigerator, side burner, or cocktail center. A plus to having a block built structure is that it can be a perfect match to other hardscape structures such as fireplaces, fire pits, and seat benches that are also a part of

your landscape. However, due to the nature of construction, Block BBQ structures can become large and take up more space if there are a lot of accessories added. A steel BBQ structure can house many accessories while keeping the size of the structure down.

Whether you're looking for a complete kitchen or just a simple outdoor cooking space to grill on a nice evening, we can meet your needs. Alexon also offers many types of counter tops such as granite tile, travertine, stained concrete, and of course flagstone. We have posted pictures below of each type of BBQ structure. We would be happy to answer any questions about any of them.



[See more BBQs in our web gallery.](#)

### Featured Design

This project was a remodel. Due to a devastating fire that destroyed part of their home, this was a long process. They have since rebuilt their beautiful home and given Alexon Design the privilege to do the landscaping.



We have stayed with the theme of the overall neighborhood's pristine look, however we sure did make it one of a kind with mature palms, a beautifully coordinated color pallet, and lighting that illuminates some of the unique palms, and



the architecture of their home.

[See more of our Featured Product.](#)

If you would like to renovate your yard Please call the office at 480.699.7796.

**Designer:**

TJ Wilcoxson

See more of this property: [Click Here](#)

**Reader's question:**

**Q.** During that last strong storm I saw many trees knocked over or split. How can I prevent that, especially with our recently installed landscape?



**A.** There are a couple of things that will help your trees through the monsoon storms. The first is to check to see that the tie around the stakes is in fact connected to both the tree and the stake. They can come loose and then are ineffective. Also make sure that the stakes are securely in the ground and do not loosely wobble back and forth. If they do, then the hole may have become too large for the stake and you should reposition it or drive it down further until it is more secure. The third and most important action to take is to make sure that there is just enough slack in the tie so that the tree can move from side to side a bit. A tree that is tied too tightly can snap as opposed to blow over in a strong wind which can be equally as devastating to the tree. The ties should be taut, but not too tight. The tree needs to be able to move a bit with the wind. This also helps it to spread its root system. If a heavy storm hits a tree in just the right way despite all of your efforts, it could cause the tree damage; however, taking precautions gives your trees the best fighting chance through the monsoon season.

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