

Constructing a Pool in Austin: Types, Process and Costs

Summer could be a few months away but nothing sounds better other than sipping your favorite cold beverage while taking a dip in a pool to beat the Texas heat. Most people would head outdoors to the nearest public [swimming pools in Austin](#) such as the local favorite, [Barton Springs Pool](#) located near the [Barton Hills neighborhood](#), one of the popular residential areas in Austin. But some love the privacy that they get with their very own swimming pool located in their homes. You might be eyeing having one installed in your grounds. Therefore, you might be thinking about the costs to build a pool in Austin, how long does it take, what are the types of pools, construction, maintenance, and more. On this blog, we'll list down what you need to know when it comes to constructing a pool in Austin.

Types of Swimming Pool

Before we get started on constructing your swimming pool, know that there are different types of pools to choose from.

1. IN-GROUND CONSTRUCTION

In-ground pools are permanent additions to the yard. They can be made out of different materials such as vinyl, fiberglass, concrete, and gunite. Gunite is a popular choice for homeowners due to its durability and versatility.

2. ABOVE GROUND POOL

An above-ground pool is usually situated on top of the land or your yard that can be easily installed and removed. It is also featured to be safe since if you have kids or pets at home, it will take an effort to get into it.

3. PLUNGE POOL

These are often trendy especially for some newly built homes with a modern look. A plunge pool is a small shallow pool that is built for cooling off or lounging instead of swimming.

4. LAP POOL

Aside from Olympic sized swimming pools, lap pools come in the shape of a rectangle with a narrow width. They are also great to use when for fitness.

Process of Constructing a Pool in Austin

It is always ideal to seek a professional that will help you construct a pool in your yard. This processing time will depend on the type of pool you have chosen. Most pool projects take up to 1 1/2 months to 3 months. In this case, we'll be talking about the process for the in-ground pool which is popular and mostly constructed in homes around Austin.

The **process** starts off with designing and permitting. This can take up to one week although prefabricated swimming pools that are less than 24 inches deep won't be needing a permit. The design will be done via 3D modeling, Computer-Aided Design, or however your chosen professional works on it. Once you have the permits and the final design for your pool, it's time for excavating. This is typically a quick process that can take up a day or two. It could take up to a week if there are things that will affect the timing such as the utility lines and ease of access in your yard.

Next in the process is the plumbing, electrical, and steel installations. The process can take up to two weeks depending on the size, complexity, type of features you'll be having in your swimming pool. Once it has been all set, the next is to plaster your chosen material. You can choose from gunite, vinyl, fiberglass, and concrete for your pool. The installation takes up to three weeks. Again, depending on the size and depth of your swimming pool. This process is followed by landscaping and installing more custom features such as a deck, waterfalls, fountains, and anything that you can ever think of. Once that is finished, your pool is now ready to enjoy!

Cost of Building a Pool in Austin

The national average pool installation in Austin is **\$22,000** for a 32 ft x 16 ft in-ground pool. The average cost of building a pool in Austin ranges from \$14,000-\$39,000 according to the website **HomeAdvisor**. Factors that can affect the cost of constructing the pool are the pool size, materials, heating, custom features, and labor. Keep in mind that maintenance is another factor that can affect the costs in the long run. Pool maintenance can cost you an average of \$960 to \$1,800 per year.

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