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Designing With Outdoor Lounge Furniture

How to pick the right pieces, and create a space that feels chic

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Arty Daly delineated multiple areas for outdoor lounging and dining at The Ritz-Carlton Residences, North Hills, Long Island.

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Each week, Mansion Global tackles a topic with an elite group of designers from around the world who work on luxury properties. This week we look at how to design an outdoor space that feels chic.

The beauty of an outdoor lounge is that it takes the inside and extends it outside, so you can enjoy all the comforts of home amid nature. It's the kind of space that can function both as a relaxing retreat and a place to entertain.

The look, feel and configuration are a matter of planning. Follow these tips from the design pros to create an outdoor space with distinction.

Consider Sun Exposure

"It's also important to have a variety of sizes of furniture, deep-seat cushions for relaxation and coverage from the sun throughout the day from sunrise to sunset.

"Sunbrella fabrics withstand the elements, especially the wind and rain. Aluminum metals, which don't collect the heat from the sun, are the safest materials.

"Look to see how the sun will make its way across the space throughout the day. For example, if you're planning on using the space to lounge during the afternoon, the seating should be oriented to take advantage of the path of the sun.

— Arty Daly manager of Fortunoff Backyard Store based in Westbury, Long Island

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