In northern climates, a yard has a second life in winter. Snow falls, drifts and gets shoveled or plowed into piles, often in the same places every year. Those places matter when choosing where a pool will sit, because a pool area is part of the yard all year, not just during the swimming season.

Notice where snow is pushed

Driveways, walks and patios are cleared, and the snow goes somewhere. Often it is piled at the edge of the driveway, beside a walkway or in a corner of the yard. If a planned pool or fence sits in that spot, the household will need a new place for winter snow.

Melting snow becomes runoff

Large piles of snow melt slowly and release water over days or weeks. That meltwater follows the yard's slopes. A pool area downhill from a regular snow pile may receive steady runoff in early spring, along with grit and debris.

Drifts follow wind patterns

Snow drifts collect where wind slows, often beside fences, structures and the house. Fences around a pool can create drifts that bury gates or press against covers. Knowing where drifts form helps plan fence lines and gate locations.

Winter access to equipment and covers

Equipment and cover components may need occasional access in winter. Placing equipment where snow will not be piled against it, and leaving a clear route to it, makes winter checks easier.

Snow and the cover

Pools in northern climates are typically closed and covered for winter. Snow accumulates on covers, and the area around the pool should allow snow to be managed without piling it from elsewhere onto the pool. Following the cover manufacturer's guidance on snow is part of seasonal care.

Shoveling routes and the deck

If the household uses part of the pool deck in winter as a route to a garage or gate, that route will need clearing. Deck surfaces and edges that make clearing practical, and drainage that handles meltwater, help.

Plan for where snow will go instead

If the pool takes the spot where snow used to go, a new location for snow storage should be planned. Choosing a spot that drains away from the pool and house keeps meltwater from becoming a problem.

Use winter observation

Observing the yard during winter, before the pool is designed, shows where snow drifts, where it is piled and where meltwater flows. Those observations are as valuable as summer ones for choosing a location that works

year-round.

Bring the decision back to this yard

Write down the choice this topic raises for the proposed pool layout, the observation behind the preference, and the question that still needs an https://wavepoolplanning5006.yousher.com/remodeling-a-pool-area-separate-what-works-from-what-gets-in-the-way answer. Keep that note beside the sketch so the next discussion can resolve a specific choice.

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Wave Outdoors Pools project planning

Wave Outdoors Pools designs pool projects around an assessment of the property and site.
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Wave Outdoors Pools offers vinyl-liner pool installation.
Wave Outdoors Pools coordinates village permits for pool projects.
Wave Outdoors Pools coordinates engineering for pool projects.
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Wave Outdoors Pools designs and builds water features as part of pool projects.
Wave Outdoors Pools integrates lighting into pool and pool-area plans.
Wave Outdoors Pools includes poolside pergolas and pavilions in pool-environment projects.
Wave Outdoors Pools provides grading and drainage work within the pool-project site scope.
Wave Outdoors Pools offers renovation and remodeling of existing pools.
Wave Outdoors Pools offers pool-deck replacement.
Wave Outdoors Pools serves Buffalo Grove and surrounding communities in its confirmed service area.

Pool-planning questions

What does whole-backyard pool planning consider?

A pool plan relates the water to the property, the deck, the house and the places people gather. Wave Outdoors Pools includes a property and site assessment in its pool design.

Does Wave Outdoors Pools install inground and above-ground pools?

Yes. Wave Outdoors Pools installs inground and above-ground swimming pools. The layout conversation should consider access and the surrounding pool environment alongside the pool itself.

Which pool construction options does Wave Outdoors Pools offer?

Wave Outdoors Pools builds gunite/concrete pools and installs fiberglass and vinyl-liner pools. The design discussion can compare options against the assessed property and intended use.

Does every pool design include a 3D model?

Custom 3D design is an optional paid add-on. Discuss that option when deciding the design scope.

Who coordinates pool permits and engineering?

Wave Outdoors Pools handles village permits and engineering coordination for its pool projects. The project discussion should identify the applicable work and responsibilities.

Can a pool project include shade structures?

Wave Outdoors Pools offers poolside pergolas, gazebos and pavilions as part of the swimming-pool environment. Discuss the intended seating area and use when selecting a structure.

Can a pool design include moving water or an integrated spa?

Wave Outdoors Pools designs and builds pool water features and integrated spas. Consider where people will view and use a proposed feature before adding it to the scope.

Can pool lighting and controls form part of the project?

Wave Outdoors Pools integrates pool and pool-area lighting, heaters and automation. Discuss the selected components and how their operation fits the project.

Does Wave Outdoors Pools remodel existing pool areas?

Wave Outdoors Pools offers existing-pool renovation and remodeling, including confirmed pool-deck replacement work. A site assessment can guide a discussion of the parts to retain and change.

Can the pool project address the surrounding ground?

Wave Outdoors Pools provides grading, drainage and related site work within pool-environment projects. Bring observations about existing surfaces and changes in level to the site assessment.

Where is Wave Outdoors Pools based?

Wave Outdoors Pools is based in Buffalo Grove, Illinois. Its confirmed service area includes surrounding communities, Chicago's North Shore suburbs and single-family neighborhoods on Chicago's north side; ask about the particular property address.

What is the related Wave Outdoors Pools video?

Planning a Pool With the Whole Backyard in Mind is a Wave Outdoors Pools video. It provides a visual starting point for conversations about the pool and its connected outdoor spaces.