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Originally, this home in Eden Prairie, Minnesota, had a yard much like many others in the suburbs. Set on a large corner lot, the home's only landscaping in the front yard was a small, generic concrete walkway to the front door, with a small planter, dying crab apple trees and some shrubbery.

The backyard, visible from the street, featured a small terrace built of concrete blocks, and a traditional wooden deck. Most of the yard was grass. The homeowners wanted a new landscape that would make better use of the large yard, provide patio space for cooking and entertaining and give their home some needed curb appeal.



The backyard patio features space for a dining area, surrounded by planters and a Highland Stone® freestanding wall.

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Before

The original landscape consisted of a simple poured-concrete walkway.

To accomplish their goal, the homeowners turned to a contractor to create a new landscape using the Anchor™ Highland Stone® wall system.

The new landscape features

- A wraparound front courtyard to create a welcoming environment
- A terrace leading to a patio and seating area in the back
- A water feature with natural rock gardens
- An arbor in the front yard to add visual interest and echo the architecture of the house

The new landscape also includes several new trees and plantings to create privacy from the street.

Surrounding the courtyard are short walls built using the Highland Stone freestanding wall system, which give the project a more polished, contained appearance while doubling as extra



After

The front landscape features a small courtyard and an arbor that echoes the roof of the house.

seating. A Highland Stone freestanding wall also provides seating space around the back patio.

The homeowners selected the Highland Stone product because of its textured, rich appearance. The blocks' multiple sizes and natural colors blended well with both the house's design and the rest of the neighborhood.

The homeowners were very pleased with the outcome of the project, particularly because it is so highly visible from the street. The warm look of the Highland Stone wall system, combined with the inviting patio space, has given the yard an entirely new and welcoming atmosphere.



The new retaining wall features curves and terraces for planting.

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