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CHARLIE'S TOP 10 PICKS

*Assisting You Early in Your
Fireplace Planning Process.*

Read more to learn about categories of fuel, style, performance and cost.
It will ignite the spark for your Very Own Customized Fireplace Plan!

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CONSIDERATIONS

1. What century technology do you want with your appliance?

18 TH CENTURY	21 ST CENTURY
Big Open, Dancing Flame	Ceramic Glass Front
Less Efficient Fuel Burning	High Efficient Fuel Burning
Little-To-No Warmth	Significant Warmth
Snap, Crackle, Pop	Quiet Flame
A Bit Less Expensive	A Bit More Expensive

2. What type of fireplace?

- Fireplace insert (goes into an existing fireplace)
- Freestanding fireplace or woodstove (sits in your room)
- Fireplace in a wall (may or may not have a mantle)

3. What style do you want?

- Traditional Logs with granite, stone, brick surround and with mantle
- Contemporary fuel bed with glass beads or Driftwood or broken glass
- Minimal and Clean
- Mixture of Styles

4. What fuel?

- Not Sure
- Cord Wood (must have a place to store and season)
- Natural Gas (must have access to pipe line supply from PSNC)
- Propane Gas (must have a tank somewhere in your yard)

4. What fuel?...cont.

- Electric
- Pellet Fuel
- Alternative fuel (feed corn, etc.)

5. What are the extra's?

- New mantle
- New surround (tile, brick, stone, granite, marble, clean face)
- New hearth Extension (Raised, No hearth extension)
- Address Problems with Cold Air Infiltration or Soot Smell

SECTION 2

FEATURES OF 21ST CENTURY GAS & WOOD APPLIANCES

1.

Features that Charlie likes
about High Efficiency Wood
Burning.



- Ceramic Glass with the “air wash” technology - This feature bathes the glass with the hot air in the stove (1000+ degrees) which burns the soot of the glass
- Aurora Borealis Affect (Charlie’s terminology) - The visual effect of flames that don’t rise directly off the wood but rather hover, swirl, and roll above the wood - a real flame show in your family room!
- So simple to operate - Many stove models have a single lever to operate
- Stingy on the wood consumption. The secondary burn system really cuts the emissions. You get more heat into your home with less wood and less pollution.

2.

**Features that Charlie likes
about High Efficiency Gas
Burning.**



- Direct Vent technology saves your home conditioned air from rising up the chimney. Two colinear 3" pipes go from the top of the appliance to the top of the chimney. Fresh air to feed the fire comes down one pipe and the products of combustion from the fire goes up the other pipe.
- With a Valor Gas Fireplace you don't need power to enjoy the heat and the beauty. No power- no problem
- No mess, no smells
- You don't need to heat the whole house to get a delightfully cozy room.

SECTION 3

CHARLIE'S TOP 10

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2. WOOD FREESTANDING (21ST CENTURY)
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8. GAS LOGS (18TH CENTURY)
9. GAS FIREPLACES (18TH CENTURY)
10. ELECTRIC FIREPLACES (21ST CENTURY)



- a. **Tried and True** – *Buck Model 74 Non Catalytic High Efficiency*
- <https://www.buckstove.com/model-74>
 - Made right here in Spruce Pine, NC. This brand has been heating homes in this region and around the country for a couple of generations.
 - Biggest bang for your buck is a Buck Model 74. It is a large stove with a 2.6 cubic foot firebox.
 - I have been installing these for 25 years and have received the thumbs up from my customers.

1. Wood Insert (21st Century)...cont.

- b. **Buck's Biggest Boasts a Bay – Buck Model 91 Comes With The Bay Window Look**
- <https://buckstove.com/wood-stoves#31eba7e5-c291-4ed0-a706-c08509f3c91a>
 - This is an extra large stove with a 4.4 cubic foot firebox capacity
 - The bay look allows for two smaller glass windows, one on either side of the front.
 - You will get some very long burn times (8-12 hrs). You can sleep in on those the coldest of mornings without having to restart the fire.
- c. **GameChanger Clean - European Styling Regency i2600**
- <https://www.regency-fire.com/Products/Wood/Wood-Inserts/CI2600>
 - This stove model is strikingly different from the grandma look
 - Large firebox 2.6 cubic feet
 - Non catalytic High Efficiency
- d. **Little Champ - Regency's I1200 Fits Tiny Fireplaces**
- <https://www.regency-fire.com/Products/Wood/Wood-Inserts/I1200>
 - Don't despair Regency can deliver 21st century technology with the smallest of fireplaces and still packs the heat!
 - Still the same high efficiency technology as the bigger models
 - Fits small prefab fireplaces
- e. **Blaze King - Most Efficient Stoves On The Market**
- <http://blazeking.com/EN/wood-inserts.html>
 - The Princess is more traditional in looks but is cutting edge efficient

2.

Wood Freestanding *21st Century*



a. **High Efficiency Catalytic Technology at its Best - Blaze King Wood Stoves**

- <https://www.blazeking.com/category/products/wood-stoves/>
- These look like 21st Century Woodstoves
- Packs a punch as a large heater with a large firebox
- Boasts a ridiculously long burn time

b. **Buck's Biggest Strikes Again - Buck 94 Free Standing**

- <https://buckstove.com/model-94nc>
- 4.4 cubic feet of firebox will not disappoint when big heating capacity is desired
- Comes with the bay window feature that is very popular

c. **Classic Cast Iron - Small**

- <https://www.regency-fire.com/en/Products/Wood/Wood-Stoves/H200>
- Non Catalytic
- Medium to small in size 1.34 cubic foot firebox

d. **Classic Cast Iron - Medium**

- <https://www.regency-fire.com/en/Products/Wood/Wood-Stoves/H300>
- Non catalytic
- Medium 1.71 cubic feet firebox size – has enamel options

2. Wood Freestanding (21st Century)...cont.

e. **New Age Styling – Regency Alterra CS1200**

- <https://www.regency-fire.com/Products/Wood/Wood-Stoves/CS1200>
- Accents smaller spaces 1.2 cubic feet
- Wood burning efficiency

f. **Classic Craftsmanship - Jotul F500**

- <http://jotul.com/us/products/wood-stoves/jotul-f-500-oslo%281%29>
- Lovely Cast iron detail combined with centuries of commitment to performance excellence.
- We can install it as a hearth stove connected to the fireplace or we can install it almost anywhere else in the house
- Extremely valuable because it has top or rear exit and that means it can sit on your hearth and vent back into the fireplace

3.

Wood Fireplaces

18th Century



a. **Bellfires Fireplace Lover's Fireplace - BCC28 or the BM28**

- <http://www.bellfiresusa.com/advantage.htm>
- There is no other product that I have offered with more customer satisfaction than the Bellfires Lineup of fireplaces
- Whether full masonry or Prefab close clearance Bellfires can amaze the most seasoned fireplace lover.
- Old Coal burners can be upgraded using the BR21 model

b. **Earthcore Right In Your Living Room - Magnum Series Fireplace**

- <http://earthcore.co/product/magnum-series/>
- Icelandic Pumice- The unique features of volcanic rock allows for old world looks in many versatile applications.
- You must consider Isokern when traditional looks and heat are expected

c. **Easy Anywhere Fireplace – Astria Craftsman**

- <http://astria.us.com/products/craftsman>
- Safe and on a budget, can go almost anywhere
- Available in 36" and 42" models

4.

Wood Fireplaces

21st Century



a. **Buck Model 74ZC**

- <https://buckstove.com/model-74zc>
- Talk about straight forward, good looks at a great price
- Tried and True North Carolina made is the easiest on the pocket book and gives you the most value

b. **Supreme's Galaxy Award Winner - Made in North American**

- <http://www.supremem.com/galaxy.php>
- Strikingly Clean
- Amazingly efficient
- Powerful

c. **Striking See Thru - Supreme's Opus**

- <http://www.supremem.com/opus.php>
- There are few players in this see thru 21st century field
- The Supreme Opus makes it hard for anyone else thinking about getting into this niche.
- Large heat and efficient heat
- It's the Euro, Clean Style without the extravagant price tag that comes from Europe

5.

Gas Inserts

21st Century



a. **Valor Seasoned Excellence - Legend G3 or the Legend G4**

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/legend-g4.php>
- Fits many fireplace sizes
- Many different styles- from quite contemporary to quaint traditional
- Think Zone Heat! Turn a cool room into a cozy room, efficiently. No ducts to lose heat, no used rooms being heated.

b. **Valor Portrait President - King Coal**

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/portrait-series.php>
- Old coal burning fireplaces do not have to lose their charm
- They also don't have to stay in the 18th Century
- Valor President captures the essence of the old cast iron coal surround and will turn a chilly library into a book nook.

c. **Regency Inserts - A Nod to an Arch**

- <https://www.regency-fire.com/en/Products/Gas/Gas-Inserts/LRI4E>
- Fits 95% of existing masonry wood fireplaces
- Many different styles, from contemporary to rustic
- Regency LRI4E features realistic logs and glowing ceramic ember bed, electronic ignition with SureFire switch, and operates on natural gas or propane.

6.

High Efficiency Gas Fireplace

21st Century



a. **Valor Horizon – Classic**

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/horizon.php>
- Often replaces old, worn out, inefficient prefab fireplaces from
- Many styles: from traditional to contemporary
- Always efficient and warm

b. **Valor H5 and H6 – Clean with a big view**

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/h6.php>
- It's all about the flame and the heat- simple clean lines
- New construction or retrofits. Always adding value.

c. **Valor L1 Can Go Into New And Old Spaces – Ultra Modern and Edgy**

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/l1.php>
- It heats
- It is gorgeous
- It's not your grandma's fireplace

d. **Valor L2 Linear – Ultra Modern and Edgy**

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/l2.php>
- When bigger is better
- Bigger heat too. The Heat Shift technology takes real heat and puts it where you need it.

7.

Gas Freestanding

21st Century



a. **Valor Madrona** - *Easy, Classy, Warm*

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/madrona.php>
- Let's change a chilly room into a destination and hardly lose any space.
- Let's be attractive and not dated
- Get the heat not the fumes or the distracting pipe. Direct Vent technology is a game changer with clean looks.

b. **H15 Gas Stove** - *Classic Cast Iron Beauty*

- <https://www.regency-fire.com/en/Products/Gas/Gas-Stoves/H15>
- Compact elegance and timeless beauty of durable cast iron
- The beautiful glow of a freestanding iron stove with high efficiency features
- Direct Vent means simple, healthy venting

c. **Valor Portrait Freestanding** - *Coal Burning Look And Feel*

- <https://valorfireplaces.com/products/portrait-freestanding.php>
- Introduce the coal burning into an old house without the need of an existing fireplace.
- Use it with a coal fireplace but get the heater out of the fireplace.

d. **Regency Contura RC500E** - *Ultra Modern Scandinavian Design*

- <https://www.regency-fire.com/en/Products/Gas/Gas-Stoves/RC500>
- Modern and highly customizable in appearance
- Consistent heat means there is never a bad spot to sit when warming up in front of this unit

8.

Gas Logs

18th Century



a. **Real Fyre Vented Gas Logs - *Delighting Homes For Over 75 Years***

- <http://www.realfyre.com/gas-fireplace-products/vented-collection/>
- Turns any wood burning fireplace into a magical experience
- Available in more than 40 authentic styles, every Real Fyre gas log set is handcrafted and hand painted to create the most realistic look
- The on/off remote makes for convenient enjoyment

b. **Real Fyre Vent Free Gas Logs**

- <http://www.realfyre.com/gas-fireplace-products/vent-free-collection/>
- Adds a great deal of heat
- Note: Sometimes customers report a sensitivity to a related odor from the logs.

9.

Gas Fireplaces

18th Century



a. **Isokern B-Vent Fireplace** – *Old World looks Without The Big Price Tag*

- <https://earthcore.co/fireplace/the-bvetto-series/>
- Iso- flames stadium burner
- Energy savings with real safety in mind- Damper can close to save energy but is engineered for fail safe use.

b. **Golden Blount** – *Perfecting Gas Log Technology*

- <http://goldenblountinc.com/catalog/vented-gas-logs/>
- If you know you want the beauty and convenience of gas logs and aren't looking for the heat
- Classic, generous flames without the extra costs of having to make it good for wood burning as well.

10.

Electric Fireplaces

21st Century



a. **Amantii** - *Who Says You Need Real Flame*

- <http://amantii.com/>
- Electric is the fastest growing segment of fireplaces for good reason
- You get heat and you get the illusion of flame
- Choose from a wide variety of styles and sizes

b. **Dimplex** - *Top Quality Designs with an Unparalleled Selection of Styles, Accents, and Finishes*

- https://www.dimplex.com/en/electric_fireplaces
- Get heat and illusion of flame literally anywhere
- Choose from a wide variety of options to fit any style and application
 - Media Consoles
 - Mantels
 - Wall-Mounts
 - Fireboxes and Inserts
 - Stoves
 - Linear Fireplaces