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## ANNUAL COST DIFFERENCE <br> TRADITIONAL SOD vs SYNTHETIC TURF

Below is a cost breakdown of installing and maintaining traditional sod versus synthetic turf. While synthetic turf costs more initially due to labor and the product itself, the annual maintenance cost of traditional sod is expensive and quickly adds up over the years. As you can see on the bottom chart, you already start to save after a few years.

INSTALLATION \& MAINTENANCE COSTS

| Traditional Sod 1000 sq. ft. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Cost |
| Installation: Irrigation \& Misc. | \$3,000 |
| Installation: Labor | \$3,600 |
| Sod \& Accessories | \$1,000 |
| TOTAL | \$7,600 |
| Maintenance: Water, Fertilizer, etc. | \$1,060 |
| Maintenance: General | \$1,300 |
| TOTAL | \$2,360 |


| Synthetic Turf 1000 sq. ft. |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Cost |
| Installation: Irrigation \& Misc. | \$0 |
| Installation: Labor | \$7,000 |
| Synthetic Turf \& Accessories | \$5,000 |
| TOTAL | \$12,000 |
| Maintenance: Water, Fertilizer, etc. | \$0 |
| Maintenance: General | \$200 |
| TOTAL | \$200 |

## INSTALLATION \& MAINTENANCE COSTS OVER TIME

| \# of Years | Traditional Sod | Synthetic Turf | SAVINGS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| time of install | $\$ 7,600$ | $\$ 12,000$ | $(\$ 4,400)$ |
| 1 | $\$ 9,960$ | $\$ 12,200$ | $(\$ 2,240)$ |
| 2 | $\$ 12,320$ | $\$ 12,400$ | $(\$ 80)$ |
| $3^{* *}$ | $\$ 14,680$ | $\$ 12,600$ | $\$ 2,080$ |
| 4 | $\$ 17,040$ | $\$ 12,800$ | $\$ 4,240$ |
| 5 | $\$ 19,400$ | $\$ 13,000$ | $\$ 6,400$ |
| 6 | $\$ 21,760$ | $\$ 13,200$ | $\$ 8,560$ |
| 7 | $\$ 24,120$ | $\$ 13,400$ | $\$ 10,720$ |
| 10 | $\$ 31,200$ | $\$ 14,000$ | $\$ 17,200$ |
| 15 | $\$ 43,000$ | $\$ 15,000$ | $\$ 28,000$ |
| 20 | $\$ 54,800$ | $\$ 16,000$ | $\$ 38,800$ |

## **Homeowner gets investment back after a few years

