

# Decorative Rocks for Landscaping

Rocks in the garden look fabulous, but small rocks and gravel on some parts of the home's landscape look extra nice. You can work them in all imaginable designs to bring out the best in your landscape. Take gravel for example, it serves the important purpose of solving a myriad of drainage issues while improving the textural appeal of the landscape at the same time. If the gravel comes in different forms and colors, parts of your landscape becomes irresistible to gaze at for extended periods of time. There is that satisfying crunching sound often heard when you walk on well laid gravel.



Besides gravel, here are several types of landscaping rocks that can be used to rock your homestead's landscape:

## 1. River Rock

As the name suggests, River Rocks are the ideal decorative landscaping rocks when there is a need to control water to avoid flooding. They are good at draining some parts of your landscape thus reducing the maintenance costs of the place. Depending on your taste, they can be laid in such a way that a contrast to green shrubs or grass is achieved.

## 2. Mexican Beach Pebbles

Mexican Beach Stones are the costliest landscape decorative stones. One reason behind this, besides their stunning beauty, is the smooth texture and their polished appearance. A first glimpse on the Mexican Beach Pebble makes you think they've just been picked up from the Atlantic tropical coastline. Therefore, they are the excellent rocks to decorate your pathways or act as borderlines around your pools.

## 3. Decomposed Granite

Looking at it from a distance, decomposed granite is almost unrecognizable. It resembles red or tan pebbles of dirt hence unattractive (unattractive only to non-landscape design purists). Yet landscape designers love it for its ability to substitute asphalt and concrete on driveways.

#### 4. Crushed Granite Gravel

Crushed Granite Gravel is very much like Decomposed Granite only that the former is larger and chunkier. Their colors are similar but the gravel comes in varying shades of beige and red. These rocks look great on walkways although more upscale options can be considered. In terms of their costs, Crushed Granite Gravel is pricier than its decomposed counterpart.

#### 5. Pea Gravel

Pea Gravel comes in size of the green peas in your kitchen - just 0.5" in diameter. They are not great for driveways because cars or feet sink in them owing to their fine texture unless mixed with a much bigger type of gravel. But they are remarkably good for patios, especially in an outdoor living space. You can choose Pea Gravel that suits your landscape, for they come in colors that mimic most of your landscape's features.

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