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## 1. Weather-Resistant Garage Doors

Clopay's Modern Steel garage doors incorporate weather-resistant features such as insulation (with R-values ranging from 6.5 to 18.4), a vinyl bottom weather seal and aluminum retainer, and impact glass (available in four styles: clear, bronze, matte, and pebble polycarbonate). The company says select models can withstand wind speeds up to 200 miles per hour, when properly installed. A single-car-garage door without windows starts at \$700, while a door with windows starts at \$800. clopaydoor.com

## 2. Aluminum Under-Deck System

Designed to keep the area beneath an elevated deck dry, the Haven Underdeck System uses lightweight, durable aluminum panels to channel water to a gutter system and downspouts. The company says that these panels will not rust or become brittle, and individual panels may be removed later without disturbing adjacent ones. Homeowners can choose options such as LED lighting, speakers, swings, and fans. More than 27 colors are available. Pricing varies based on project scope and size. havenunderdeck.com

# 3. Durable Rod Railing

Viewrail's new <sup>1</sup>/4-inch rod railing is made with 2205 duplex stainless steel. According to the manufacturer, the rods won't sag and are more corrosion-resistant than marine grade 316 stainless steel. Rods are available in lengths ranging from 2 to 20 feet, in one-foot increments. The railing can be bent to turn a radius on a curved stairway, deck, or balcony. Pricing ranges from \$85 to \$225 per linear foot. viewrail.com

## 4. Smart-Home Water Monitor

The Streamlabs Smart Home Water Monitor is a wireless, non-invasive monitor that installs without interfering with the plumbing system. When positioned near a pipe, the monitor uses ultrasonic waves to measure the difference in the "time-offlight" between two specified points to collect data on the system's water flow and usage activity. It then presents that data via the Streamlabs app, providing early leak detection and water-use readouts. Users may set custom alerts based on specific conditions. The product has a suggested price of \$200. streamlabswater.com

#### 5. Sleek Steel Framing

Fortress Building Product's new Evolution light-gauge-steel deck framing features an interlocking joist and ledger system that's engineered to look and install like wood while providing a flat surface that won't twist, warp, rot, or crack. The framing is compatible with any type or brand of decking, including composite, PVC, aluminum, tile, wood, and tropical hardwoods, and is resistant to fire and insect damage. Parts are powder-coated black. Price varies based on project scope. fortressframing.com

#### 6. Modern Electric Fireplaces

Fireplace manufacturer and distributor European Home has expanded into electric with its new Electric Modern name-branded fireplaces. The fireplaces use multicolored LED lights to emulate the look of flames. While this effect produces no heat and requires no venting, an optional heating element is available. Styles include single-sided, corner, and bay (three-sided). Fireplaces are available with log set media and may be controlled through European Home's E-Touch app, or via remote control. Pricing ranges from \$2,365 to \$5,060. electricmodern.com

#### 7. Eco-Friendly Stone Veneers

Cultured Stone's new Pro-Fit Terrain Ledgestone manufactured stone veneers contain 58% recycled content on average and are made with a closed-loop recycling system that allows reuse of water in manufacturing. Its panelized format allows for easy installation, and it doesn't require painting, coating, or sealing once installed. The low-relief stones in varied textures come in four colors: gray-white, mid-gray, gray-brown (shown), and black-gray. Contact a local distributor for price. culturedstone.com

## 8. Easy Connect Joining System

The new Easy Connect Joining System for Andersen A-Series windows aims to make it easier to install a variety of large window combinations. Interlocking fiberglass joining plates are applied in the factory, and units arrive ready to install directly into the rough opening and ready to be connected to adjoining combinations. Easy Connect Joining System is tested to AAMA 450 requirements, is WDMA Hallmark-certified for air, water, and structural performance, and is impact-certified for Florida's High Velocity Hurricane Zone. Contact a local distributor for pricing. andersenwindows.com









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#### 9. Black Stainless Steel Hood

Kitchen-appliance manufacturer Zephyr has introduced a black stainless steel hood in its Ravenna Island collection. A smoke-gray glass canopy curves over island cooktops and has an anti-smudge titanium coating for extra durability and easy cleaning. An energy-efficient "BriteStrip" LED light outputs an even 3,000K warm white color to illuminate the cooking surface, and "Icon Touch" controls, integrated into the canopy, operate the hood's 600-cfm blower. Pricing starts at about \$1,700. zephyronline.com

## 10. Sound-Control Underlayment

Designed specifically for use under luxury vinyl tile and planks—with or without glue—the Protecto Wrap Co.'s new Whisper Mat LVT sound-control underlayment is a primerless, peel-and-stick sheet membrane constructed with a latex rubber sheet and an aggressive block copolymer adhesive. Whisper Mat LVT is CRI Green Label Plus Certified for optimal indoor air quality, and it resists mold and mildew growth, according to the manufacturer. Pricing starts at less than \$1 per square foot. protectowrap.com

## 11. Strong Composite Decking

Deckorators' new Voyage line of composite decking features the company's "Eovations technology," a fiber-like interior structure made from a blend of polypropylene and mineral filler. The manufacturer claims that this configuration delivers the industry's best strength-to-weight ratio, absorbs virtually no moisture, and minimizes thermal expansion or contraction. Voyage also has a protective capstock with textured embossing for improved traction. Voyage will be available in 2019 in 12-, 16-, and 20-foot solid and slotted-edge profiles, as well as in 12-foot fascia. Pricing will start between \$4.75 and \$4.95 per linear foot. deckorators.com

## 12. Aerial Map Measurement Tool

Global location content provider Nearmap has introduced a new measurement tool set, called MapBrowser, for the solar and roofing industries. The new tools will allow installers to measure roof pitch, height, width, and area from high-resolution aerial images. The imagery, which can be annotated with drawings, measurements, and notes, can help businesses in construction, painting, and insurance to show context for work being done. Subscription plans start at between \$1,000 and \$5,000 a year, depending on number of users and projects viewed. go.nearmap.com









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