

# METAL ROOF OPTIONS

## Benefits of metal roofing

Metal roofing has many benefits that make it a superior roofing choice compared to other materials. Firstly, metal roofs are durable and long-lasting, with a lifespan of up to 50 years or more. They are also fire-resistant, energy-efficient, and can withstand extreme weather conditions such as heavy rain, wind, and snow.

Additionally, metal roofing is eco-friendly as it is made from recyclable materials, and it reflects solar heat, reducing your energy bills in the summer. Metal roofs are also available in various styles and [colors](#), making them a versatile roofing option suitable for any architectural style.

## Factors to consider before choosing a metal roofing style

Before choosing a metal roofing style, there are some factors you need to consider. Firstly, consider the climate in your area, as some metal roofs are better suited for specific weather conditions. For instance, standing seam metal roofs are ideal for areas with heavy rainfall, while corrugated metal roofs are better for areas with high winds.

Secondly, consider your home's architectural style and the color of your exterior walls. You want to choose a metal roofing style that complements your home's design and enhances its curb appeal. Lastly, consider your budget and the cost of installation, as some metal roofing styles are more expensive than others.

## Top 10 metal roofing styles

1. **Standing seam metal roof** – This metal roofing style features vertical panels with raised seams that interlock to provide a watertight seal. Standing seam metal roofs are popular for their durability, energy efficiency, and sleek appearance.
2. **Corrugated metal roof** – Corrugated metal roofs have wavy panels that provide excellent water shedding and resistance to high winds and hail. They are popular for their affordability, durability, and rustic appearance.
3. **Metal shingle roof** – Metal shingle roofs mimic the appearance of traditional asphalt shingles but are more durable and long-lasting. They are available in various styles and colors, making them a versatile roofing option.
4. **Metal tile roof** – Metal tile roofs mimic the appearance of clay or concrete tiles but are lighter, more durable, and longer-lasting. They are popular for their aesthetic appeal and energy efficiency.
5. **Metal shake roof** – Metal shake roofs mimic the appearance of traditional wood shakes but are more durable and long-lasting. They are popular for their rustic appearance and low maintenance.
6. **Copper roof** – Copper roofs are a premium metal roofing option that is popular for their longevity, aesthetic appeal, and natural patina. They are also eco-friendly and can last up to 100 years or more.
7. **Zinc roof** – Zinc roofs are a premium metal roofing option that is popular for its durability, aesthetic appeal, and low maintenance. They are also eco-friendly and can last up to 100 years or more.
8. **Aluminum roof** – Aluminum roofs are a lightweight and durable metal roofing option that is popular for its resistance to corrosion and affordability. They are also energy-efficient and available in various styles and colors.
9. **Steel roof** – Steel roofs are a durable and long-lasting metal roofing option that is popular for its affordability and energy efficiency. They are available in various styles and colors, making them a versatile roofing option.
10. **Tin roof** – Tin roofs are a traditional metal roofing option that is popular for their affordability and rustic appearance. They are suitable for low-pitched roofs and are available in various styles and colors.

## **Pros and cons of each metal roofing style**

Each metal roofing style has its pros and cons that you need to consider before making a final decision. Standing seam metal roofs offer durability and energy efficiency but are more expensive than other metal roofing styles. Corrugated metal roofs are affordable and rustic but are not suitable for steep roofs. Metal shingle roofs are versatile and long-lasting but are more expensive than asphalt shingles.

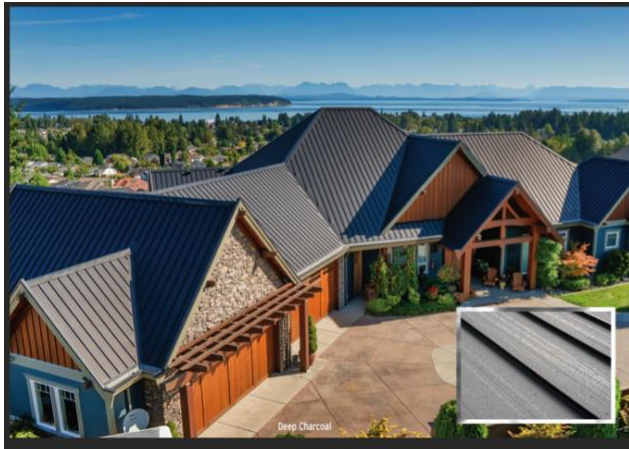
Metal tile roofs offer aesthetic appeal and energy efficiency but are more expensive than other metal roofing styles. Metal shake roofs are low maintenance and rustic but are more expensive than asphalt shingles. Copper roofs offer longevity and natural patina but are the most expensive metal roofing option. Zinc roofs offer durability and low maintenance but are also expensive.

Aluminum roofs offer resistance to corrosion and affordability but are not suitable for areas with heavy snowfall. Steel roofs offer durability and affordability but are prone to rusting and require regular maintenance. Tin roofs are affordable and rustic but are prone to rusting and require regular maintenance.

Interlock® Roofing offers a highly durable aluminum roofing product available in a range of different colors, opening up an extensive palette for homeowners and designers. Interlock metal roofs are protected for a lifetime by our exclusive Alunar® Coating System.



Our Alunar® Coating System provides homeowners with protection from stains, moisture and organic debris. Actual color may vary from sample. Colors and availability may change without notice. Ask your representative for details.



### Interlock® Standing Seam

The classic look of metal roofing.

A popular choice for homes because of its clean look. Long, dramatic shadow lines will make your home stand out. Interlock Standing Seam is weathertight thanks to its interlocking panels that are mechanically locked. Our protective coating, that goes on both sides of the panels, gives further protection from the elements, especially the salt air of the ocean. Curved and tapered is also available for custom architectural roof details.

- Aluminum will not corrode like steel
- Solar compatible
- A wide range of colors available
- Lifetime Limited Warranty



### Interlock® Slate

The elegance of slate roofing without the weight.

Real slate is expensive and very heavy. A home may need to be reinforced for the extra weight it brings. An Interlock® Slate roof will give you the look, protection and longevity of real slate without that extra weight.

- Removes the need to reinforce your home for weight
- Naturally resistant to fire
- No more cracking or spitting
- Four-way interlocking connection system on all sides of the shingle
- Hail Impact Testing (UL2218 Class 4 - Highest rating available)
- Lifetime Limited Warranty





## Interlock® Cedar Shingle

Crafted to resemble thin-cut wood shingles. Built to last for a lifetime.

The beautiful look of cedar in aluminum comes from embossing them with a heavy grain texture. Each shingle is then interlocked four-ways, and nailed to the roof surface to protect your home. Additional protection comes from our exclusive Alunar® Coating System to provide an extremely durable and attractive surface. Available in many designer colors.

- No more shingle deterioration (Curling, cracking, rotting, or splitting)
- Superior weather protection
- Can be installed over existing roofing
- High velocity wind tested (Additional fasteners may be required to comply with local building codes)
- Hail Impact Testing (UL2218 Class 4 - Highest rating available)
- Lifetime Limited Warranty



## Interlock® Shake

The beauty of real shake. Lifetime performance.

Unlike traditional cedar shakes, our aluminum version will never split, warp, crack, or rot. Our Interlock® Shake panel is a two-way interlocking system. Each panel is embossed with a natural looking, heavy grain texture, and also coated with our exclusive Alunar® Coating System. Matching color trims are available. A lifetime solution if you love the look of cedar shake roofing.

- Avoid yearly maintenance that hand-split shake requires
- Naturally fire resistant
- Environmentally sustainable / recyclable
- High velocity wind tested (Additional fasteners may be required to comply with local building codes)
- Hail Impact Testing (UL2218 Class 4 - Highest rating available)
- Lifetime Limited Warranty



## Interlock® Tile

Inspired by the luxurious look of traditional Mediterranean tile, without the weight.

Interlock® Tile is designed to be the last roof you ever install on your home or development. Real tile roofing is charming, but also very heavy. While real tile is durable, they can crack or break. Often the support system underneath will fail well before the tile does. Our tile is very lightweight. It's 90% lighter than concrete or clay, so you won't have to reinforce your home's support system. Important if you live in an earthquake zone.

- Will not crack (No need to reinforce your home's structure)
- Lightweight
- Extremely weather resistant
- Hidden fastener system (No unnecessary exposed screws on panels)
- Hail Impact Testing (UL2218 Class 4 - Highest rating available)
- Lifetime Limited Warranty



# FENCE OPTIONS

## WROUGHT IRON



### PROS

The strength of a wrought iron fence gives it several advantages over other types of metal.

- **Variety:** Wrought iron does not refer to a shape or design, but rather the details of the manufacturing process. With that said, there are so many design options to choose from here, including ornamental designs, flat tops, arched tops, spearheads, and more.
- **Durability:** Wrought iron fences take a licking and keep on ticking. As a matter of fact, they take thousands of lickings and keep on ticking. These fences are extraordinarily durable and long-lasting.
- **Increased security:** It is extremely difficult to cut through wrought iron, so would-be interlopers will stay where they belong—off your property.

### CONS

The construction of wrought iron fences is not without its drawbacks.

- **Susceptible to corrosion:** Though extremely durable, wrought iron is susceptible to rust and corrosion, especially in coastal climates. Stave off these issues by regularly sealing, painting, or powder-coating your fence.
- **Pricier than some types:** This is one of the more expensive types of metal fences, due to the manufacturing process.
- **Difficult to install:** The installation process is also time-consuming and labor-intensive, further adding to your [fence installation costs](#).

## CAST IRON



### PROS

This more modern fencing material is popular for several reasons.

- **Budget-friendly:** If wrought iron is just out of your price range, but you love the look, go with cast iron instead.
- **Diverse designs:** Just like wrought iron, there are many designs and shapes to choose from.
- **Durable:** Though cast iron flakes and rusts over time, the frame itself is nearly as durable as wrought iron.

### CONS

Along with modern advantages, cast iron fences bring a few drawbacks.

- **Brittle:** Cast iron is more brittle than wrought iron, so it does not stand up to quite the same level of pressure. In other words, it is slightly easier for would-be burglars to break it with the right tools.
- **Flakes and rusts:** This metal type is susceptible to flaking, rusting, and peeling with enough time and extreme weather events.
- **Difficult to install:** One thing it has in common with its wrought cousin is a labor-intensive installation process. These fences are heavy and bulky.

## ALUMINUM



### PROS

Aluminum's rust-resistant properties aren't its only advantages.

- **Weather resistance:** Aluminum naturally resists rust and corrosion, so these fences shrug off extreme weather conditions with ease.
- **Various colors:** Most aluminum fences are powder-coated and these coatings are available in many colors to suit the needs of different consumers.
- **Reduced maintenance needs:** Aluminum's natural tendency to reduce many weather-related issues makes it a [low-maintenance fence](#). Hire a [local aluminum fence contractor](#) yearly for a simple inspection.

### CONS

Despite its strength against weathering, aluminum lacks in certain areas.

- **Decreased security:** Many aluminum fences are installed with simple screws, so it is relatively easy to unscrew the fence and enter your property.
- **Gaps on the larger side:** Though designs differ, the gaps between each aluminum rung tend to be on the larger side, making it easy for pets to escape the property. However, you can install puppy pickets to make these gaps smaller.
- **Decreased durability:** Though resistant to rust and corrosion, aluminum bends when hit with objects like pieces of storm debris. Higher-grade aluminum decreases this risk, but this option increases the cost.

## STEEL



## PROS

Though not as high-end as wrought iron, steel fencing still offers several benefits.

- **Resists rust:** Standard steel resists rust, making it a great choice for moisture-heavy environments. Going a step further to galvanized steel also resists corrosion.
- **Many design options:** Galvanized steel is not your potential add-on here, as there are many design options to choose from, such as prefabricated steel panels, corten steel, and more.
- **Increased security:** Steel fences are manufactured by welding pieces together, so there are no screws. In other words, this is a highly secure metal type that is not easily dismantled.

## CONS

Steel may be less expensive than other metals, but that affordability has a few drawbacks.

- **Installation difficulty:** Here is another thing steel has in common with wrought iron. It is extremely heavy, bulky, and difficult to install. This makes it a less-than-ideal option for DIYers.
- **Not scratch-resistant:** Though resistant to rust and corrosion (with galvanized steel,) this metal is not resistant to scratches. Over time, these imperfections add up.
- **Not much privacy:** The gaps between steel fences tend to be on the larger side, decreasing privacy. Solid panels are an option here, but that significantly increases the cost.

## CHAIN-LINK



### PROS

Though it's on the more basic side of metal fencing, chain-link offers many advantages.

- **Budget-friendly:** The price is right here, particularly if you are just looking for something simple that gets the job done.
- **Color and design variety:** Chain links integrate nicely with vinyl coatings, allowing for a multitude of color and design options.
- **Easy to install:** [Installing chain link fences](#) is easy because they are on the lighter side. DIYers, take note.

### CONS

As you might expect, the humble chain-link fence doesn't excel in all areas.

- **Reduced aesthetics:** Metal fences are known for increasing property value, but this ROI does not extend to chain-link fences. The aesthetics here are practical, but barebones.
- **Security concerns:** Though chain links do a great job at keeping pets and children in, they are not so great for keeping intruders out. Nefarious would-be thieves can easily climb over it or cut through it. [Barbed wire fencing](#) on top is an option here, but it is illegal in many areas—not to mention unsightly.
- **Limited privacy:** The gaps between chain links allow neighbors and passersby to easily see what you are up to, though installing slats is an option.