Before you pick a style, it helps to look at a few practical questions: - How much swing window installation room do you actually have inside and outside the opening?

- How often do you move people, food, or large items through the door?
- Does the rear of the house get hard afternoon sun?
- Is the home prone to settlement or sticking doors?
- Do you want a more modern look or a more traditional one?

For a Dallas backyard, the best choice is usually the one that fits the way the house is used, not the one that looks best in a catalog. That is the kind of decision that pays off every time you open the door to go outside.