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## BUILDING A HOME?

# Ask for natural gas

Making plans to build your dream home? Don't forget to ask for natural gas, advises a local homebuilder.

Natural gas is considered standard in upscale homes in northern Georgia, said Rodney Jones, owner of Athens-based Frameworks Unlimited.

"It's a luxury people expect, and so we always include it," said Jones, who has been building custom homes in Georgia for more than 20 years.

### Natural gas benefits that attract Georgia homebuyers:

- **Affordable** Walton Gas offers new customers and current customers competitive pricing month after month.
- **Versatile** Georgia homebuyers chiefly prefer natural gas for heating, cooking, water heating and outdoor living.
- **Reliable** Because natural gas supply pipes are underground, outages are rare.
- **Energy efficiency** Natural gas appliances have lower operating costs and use less energy.
- **Resale value** Homes with natural gas appliances sell for 6 percent more on average.
- **Clean** Eco-conscious homebuyers are attracted to natural gas, which is one of the cleanest fossil fuels.



### GAS UP

A new construction home offers an exciting opportunity to plan for natural gas appliances. Builder Rodney Jones comments on the amenities that are the most requested by area homebuyers:

- **FURNACE** – "A gas furnace can heat up a large space quickly."
- **FIREPLACE** – Whether they are found indoors or outdoors, fireplaces and fire features are a definite must-have for 2019.
- **COOKTOPS, RANGES & STOVES** – "Everybody wants a gas cooktop these days." Gas ranges last six years longer and cost 30 percent less to operate than other fuel sources, on average.
- **OUTDOOR GRILLS** – "We almost always run a natural gas line out to the deck for installing a gas grill."
- **SPA & POOL HEATERS** – "Every pool I build includes natural gas heat."
- **OUTDOOR LIVING SPACES** – "Half of the screened-in porches we build include a gas fireplace."

Make sure to choose items that are both energy efficient and good for the environment. Look for the ENERGYSTAR® label.



### the natural gas advantage...

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gas up  
the stove

## Spiced Up Grilled Salmon



Salmon 1 – 1.5 lbs.

1 teaspoon sea salt

1/2 teaspoon pepper

1/2 tablespoon paprika

2 tablespoons ginger, grated or prepared

2 garlic cloves, minced

1/3 cup tangerine juice (substitution: orange juice)

1/4 cup honey

thyme, fresh

1 sweet onion, sliced

Sprinkle salt, pepper, and paprika onto the salmon and gently pat spices into the fish. Mix ginger, garlic, tangerine juice and honey. Pour mixture over the salmon. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes to 1 hour.

Place fish on top of thyme and onion inside a foil packet. Grill over medium-high heat for 10 to 15 minutes depending on how you like your fish. Place on top of your choice of white/brown rice, couscous or risotto. Serve with a traditional cucumber, tomato and onion salad.

**Submitted by Jennifer Porter.** Featured recipes are not independently tested, so we must depend on the accuracy of the cooks sending them. Always use safe food handling, preparation and cooking procedures from the recognized experts.

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Delicious  
with a cucumber,  
tomato and onion  
salad.

## Easy grill cleanup

Planning that big Memorial Day cookout but dreading the cleanup after? You don't need a bunch of fancy equipment to rid your natural gas grill of grease and grime. Try one of these clever cleaning hacks to have a sparkling grill in no time.

### 1 ALUMINUM FOIL & VINEGAR

After cooking, spray warm grill grates with vinegar. The acid will help break down any fatty residue left on the grates. Then, pick up a crumpled ball of foil with your tongs, and scrub away. After, lightly oil your grill grates using an oiled paper towel, and things will be clean and nonstick the next time you barbecue.



### 2 ONION

If you have a light cleanup job: Take a freshly halved onion, stick it on a fork and use the cut side to scrub residue off the still-hot grate. The oils in the onion will take care of the grit without the elbow grease.



### 3 BOIL WATER

Add a pan of water to your grill,. Close the lid and let it boil away for 5 to 10 minutes. Then, grip a rag in your grill tongs and simply wipe away the steam-loosened grime.

### 4 CLEAN WHILE HOT

Prevention is the best cure for grill-cleaning woes. Clean up while the grill is hot. Use a scraper or scrub brush to remove any residue, then lightly oil the grill using a paper towel.

Does your natural gas grill need a thorough spring cleaning before the summer barbecue season begins? Read this month's Walton Gas blog at [waltongas.com/blog](http://waltongas.com/blog) for step-by-step cleaning instructions to get your grill looking like new.

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## CALLING ALL GRILL MASTERS

**Share your hacks!** Know a shortcut for cleaning a hot gas grill? Have a tip for making a better burger? Have a go-to barbecue tool? What's your secret for grilling up the best meats and vegetables?

Share your grilling know-how at [waltongas.com/submit](http://waltongas.com/submit).

Then, be on the lookout for a list of customers' favorite hacks, which will be published in time for National Grilling Month in July.

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