

Here are some options for replacing your wood shingle roof

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FIVE TYPES OF ROOF SHINGLES

Asphalt Shingles

The least expensive type of shingle, asphalt shingles are also the most common. These shingles are thin, made from fiberglass and asphalt, and can last from 15 to 20 years.

Laminated Fiberglass Shingles

These shingles are made like asphalt shingles and contain the same materials.

However, they're thicker and give a more textured look to your roof. They cost at least twice as much as the common asphalt shingle, but can last longer, up to 30 years.

Wood Shingles- Not Available in some areas due to extreme dry climates

Sometimes called wood shake, these shingles are made from treated wood and give the house a rustic appearance that many homeowners find appealing. They are less fire resistant than other types of roofing. They can cost five times as much as traditional asphalt shingles and last from 15 to 20 years.

Metal Roofing

Metal roofing is lightweight, fairly easy to install and comes in a variety of colors. It lasts from 20-50 years and costs about ten times what an asphalt shingle roof might cost.

Slate Roofing

Slate roofing is elegant, unusual and very heavy. Your rafters may need to be reinforced if you choose slate. Slate roofing can cost 30 times the price of an asphalt roof but it will also last 100 years or more.