

PRIDE FAMILY BRANDS | CASTELLE

41-1/4 in. (w) x 41-1/4 in. (l)

- * Frame: Ipé
- * Warranty: 5 yrs. frame

[E] Kingsley Bate Amalfi

MSRP: \$2,570; Best Price: \$2,268

>> The Amalfi is a repeat Best Buy selection, because it still is constructed of Grade A center-cut teak that's at least 30 years old yet is priced significantly less than are other manufacturers' sets that are constructed of the same wood. We found that the contour of this set's chairs provides excellent comfort, but an optional seat cushion (\$68-\$104 per cushion, depending on the fabric grade) is available.

Features:

- * Table: 29 in. (h) x 50 in. (diam.)
- * Frame: Teak
- * Warranty: 5 yrs. frame; 1 yr. cushions

METAL DINING SETS

[P] Castelle Cannes Sling

MSRP: \$3,978; Best Price: NA

>> Not only is the Cannes Sling backed by the industry's best warranty among metal outdoor dining sets, but its sling chairs also are among the easiest to clean. The manufacturer specifies just water and mild soap for cleaning. The aluminum frame of this set, which is shaped to resemble pole rattan, is available in 10 finishes, and the chair fabric is available in 17 colors. Both numbers are unsurpassed in terms of available options among metal outdoor dining sets.

Features:

- * Table: 28-1/2 in. (h) x 48 in. (diam.)
- * Frame: Wrought aluminum
- * Warranty: 15 yrs. frame; 5 yrs. finish; 2 yrs. sling

[M] Lane Venture Charleston

MSRP: \$2,970; Best Price: NA

>> The Charleston delivers unmatched performance and styling for the price among metal sets that are in this price range. The cold-extrusion construction of this set's table means that it's stronger and has a smoother finish than do the aluminum tables that are formed via the more prevalent heat-extrusion process. And the armchair cushions have a water-resistant polyester core and outer fabric, which means that they should stand up better to the elements than those of other manufacturers, in which only the outer fabric is weather-resistant.

Features:

- * Table: 29 in. (h) x 48 in. (diam.)
- * Frame: Table: cold-extruded aluminum; armchairs: cast aluminum
- * Warranty: 5 yrs. frame; 3 yrs. finish; 2 yrs. cushions, fabrics

[E] Aglo Heritage

MSRP: \$1,498; Best Price: \$1,699

>> The Heritage is a real value. It includes seven pieces, not five: Two swivel rockers, which add at least \$140 per chair to the price in other metal sets, come standard. An