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Double-dowel joints. Double-doweled joints provide extra strength and durability. All corners should be reinforced using corner blocks secured by both glue and screws.

Additionally, look for mortise and tenon joinery as an option to double-dowels. These supply superior strength to the frame.

Sinuuous springs. These are heavy-gauge steel springs that have been heat-formed into continuous "S" shapes. They are cut into lengths and affixed to the frame. Look for these primarily for support to the back. Conversely, drop-in springs are mass-manufactured, welded units that are more cheaply manufactured and considered to be of lower quality than sinuous springs.

From kitchen appliances to bathroom fixtures, I always encourage my clients to buy the very best they can. And, like any other home décor, building a proper furniture collection can take time, and you want to do it purposefully and with an eye toward quality.

Remember, your home is your sanctuary – furnish it wisely.



A custom designed slope arm sofa featuring eight way, hand tied springs. Photos courtesy Brandon Neff Design



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