Ideas & How-To: Garden Structures (Better Homes And Gardens) (Better Homes And Gardens Home)

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Gazebos, pergolas, trellises, arbors, and more! This book offers a multitude of ideas for overhead outdoor structures in a wide variety of settings and regional contexts, from small to large scale and from attached to unattached. Cutaways, exploded diagrams, charts, and graphs help readers decide whether to undertake a project themselves or hire someone to do it for them. Chapters on prefabricated structures and available kits as well as extensive comparisons of materials are provided to help readers make intelligent buying decisions. Must-know information on choosing and working with professionals is covered in detail.

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Customer Reviews

I was looking to rebuild my existing 25 year old deck. I thought I wanted to incorporate some type of pergola or screen structure and this book gave me more ideas than I could hope for! Great book with very clear instructions.

When I purchased this book I was hoping to find instructions on building structures from start to finish. While this book has great photos of many different kinds of garden structures and some construction techniques it does not show you how to build anything from the ground up.

This book is perfect for what I need. It shows different garden structures and how to build them. I
was looking for a book that had ideas for my yard and this book fits my needs. I plan to use one of the designs. There are so many, it is hard to choose. The directions included for "how-to" are easy to understand, although I don't plan to build the structure myself. I will have it professionally built. I highly recommend this book.

Seems like every carpenter has a unique design angle on a gazebo. The emphasis here is on garden structures, rather than large open spaces. I liked the idea of tucking a small gazebo off in a corner of my back yard and this book has several suggestions.

I bought this book to get some ideas for our pergola and we did get some great ideas and built our pergola. It has great pictures in it, it gets your creative mind moving.

This book is another great book about outdoor structures from very large and ornate to more simple ones and on down to simple trellises. A good resource for those with the skills for the job.

This gave me some ideas for projects that I am considering. Good for reference.

I bought a home and was looking for designs and guides to make a deck and pergola. Perhaps for the experienced builder this book is useful, but I found it useless. It's basically a bunch of deck porn for aspiring builders. Great pictures of stately homes with elaborate deck, pergolas, gazebos, etc. There is very little in the way of how to actually build any of these structures, at least for the novice.

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