**Synopsis**

See how easy it is to build your own backyard oasis. Outdoor carpentry projects using cedar, redwood, and pressure-treated pine are perfect for Do-It-Yourselfers of all skill levels, since the materials are easy to work with, and the results are rewarding. Enjoy outdoor furnishings you can create yourself. Items made with quality materials last much longer and cost less, in the long run, than off-the-shelf items. With classic swings for kids and adults, arbors for gardeners and even a table that folds, there’s something in The Complete Guide to Outdoor Carpentry for everyone! Over three dozen projects are included, ranging from seating, entertaining, recreational and storage, to overheads and arbors. New projects, unique to this edition, include: 5-board bench, picnic table, folding table, outdoor occasional table, deck-railing planter, window box, Arts-and-Crafts mahogany gate, sheltered swing, outdoor serving cart, arbor and garden bridge. All the projects within this book can be built in a weekend with ordinary power hand tools and materials available at any local home center or hardware store. Each project has complete construction plans and directions for foolproof results—so jump right in and make your backyard unique!

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5-Board Bench  The construction could not be simpler, which makes this the perfect project for someone looking to build their woodworking skills and cut their teeth on a surefire success. Expect to spend no more than an afternoon putting this project together.

Picnic Table  The traditional material for this type of table is redwood, which will resist rot and the elements quite naturally. You can also go with cedar, which has the same properties and looks just as nice as redwood.

Sheltered Swing  Set aside a full weekend for building this project. Although the techniques we've used are meant to simplify things for the home craftsman, the project is still fairly involved.

Outdoor Serving Cart  This cart is built with exterior-rated materials. The fasteners and hardware are all corrosion-resistant. It features cedar for the framing and the drawer front, but you could easily substitute any exterior-grade lumber.

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