

Outdoor Living Involves Hard Work But Is Rewarding

Outdoor living! Sounds great, doesn't it? It is! Great! Even though there's plenty of hard work involved, the rewards of outdoor living are unlimited. You're nothing but a kid again, enjoying a quick swim in an above-the-ground swimming pool, lounging in a comfortable chaise longue, and eating a meal cooked on your barbecue grill. . . all in your own backyard. It's the trend, and it's fun. . . complete outdoor living. It all starts with a backyard!

This year hundreds of new homes have been built in new subdivisions in the entire south-eastern Michigan area. Many thousands of families will be encountering a bare backyard. These people who have just moved to new homes or have moved in during the winter months are faced with many decisions about landscaping.

At the same time, homeowners who have been in their homes for a few years are looking for ways to improve their backyards. There are exciting new ideas that everyone can use, and with the vast supplies of tools, shrubbery, trees, and flowers available, families can do almost anything with their homes. Many types of trees, shrubbery and flowers can be purchased now with the assurance that they can be planted easily and properly. With new formula fertilizers and plant foods, one makes our plants healthy and thriving. At the same time, garden tools are becoming more simplified, more durable and more convenient to use.

A few examples are new and better types of lawn sprinklers that cover more area, cutting watering time tremendously. There's huge selection of lawn mowers waiting at all stores. These mowers come in easier-to-push-than-ever before reel mowers, simple power mowers, and luxurious rider mowers that cut time as well as the lawn.

With a little imagination, landscaping can be something exciting. . . something different. The use of patio stones, poured cement, railroad ties, and white stones, big odd-shaped rocks, assorted bricks and unusual-shaped shrubs can add up to something special. Don't forget a fence to surround this beauty.

Choose a fence that's attractive as well as durable. There are so many to select, all well within the budget. Montgomery Ward, for example, takes pride in its line of fences: chain link, aluminum, stockade or redwood. It will completely install them, and convenient credit terms are available.

After the planning, the planting, the weeding, the mowing, and the watering is done, it's time for "the relaxing" on the patio. It's fun to sit in a softly padded aluminum chaise lounge

or have a cool drink under the shade of a gay floral printed umbrella. The family can sit down to a meal on a sturdy redwood table with matching benches. Redwood and aluminum aren't the only types of lawn furniture.

The department stores to day carry such beautiful lines of webbed furniture, wrought

Compact Camping Gear Gives Outdoor Comfort

The springtime migration of American families to the nation's campgrounds is becoming earlier each year because of the increasing appearance of new lightweight camping gear.

There was a time when a camping trip meant grappling with an unwieldy, hard-to-erect canvas tent, heavy metal cookware, and a potting on a wooden row boat that required the entire family to carry.

It all tended to make camping a weighty problem. Today, however, gear made of lighter yet more durable materials is making camping totally light-hearted activity. It should be, according to the Aluminum Association. Compact fold-out camping trailers, umbrellas, tents that can be set up in minutes; lightweight aluminum boats; handy, rust-proof cooking equipment; modern camping items can make living in the woods or by the lakeside nearly as comfortable as life at home.

A few examples for camping equipment, these four basic qualities should serve as your guide: compactness, lightness, durability and ease of maintenance. Such equipment is easy to find in today's well-stocked camping and department stores.

Among the most useful outdoor items available are compact aluminum camping trailers that convert into tented sleeping units. Some of the latest models almost instantaneously open up into shelter containing two double beds and a dining nook complete with full-size table, refrigerator, stove and a sink with running water.

For the less ambitious camper, simpler trailers and tents of lightweight canvas also have the advantages of compactness and durability. Complete cooking has been improved by the development of more versatile, portable gas burners. They range from simple double burners to a new all-aluminum two-piece units that serve as an oven, toaster, fryer, hot water heater. With attachments it converts into a lighting fixture, drink dispenser, tent heater or shower.

Non-stick, aluminum uten-

iron and wicker . . . all priced to fit within everyone's budget. Each of these types of lawn furniture add that "something extra" that makes outdoor living so comfortable.

Almost everyone loves sitting on the patio in the warm weather, enjoying the cool breezes of the evening and also enjoying the company

of friends and family. Loung-

ing in the backyard is something both Mom and Dad look forward to after their respective hard days in the home and the office. So, it is important to get the best value for your money and invest in good lawn furniture.

The ads in this section show quite a selection of some available in this area.

Charbroiled steaks, hot dogs and spare-ribs are just three types of foods that can be prepared on an outside barbecue. Nothing ports up weather-wit-

ted people than an outdoor barbecue dinner. Cook a small dinner for two on a portable hibachi or a feast for 20 on a large brazier with oven and rotisserie.

Why not experiment with outdoor cooking this year? Season some cut-up chicken parts, put them directly on the barbecue grill and baste them with the favorite barbecue sauce.

Or, salt and pepper some pork chops and grill vegetables. are fun to cook on a grill, too. Throw some foil-wrapped cobs of corn or whole potatoes in with the charcoal, and when the meat is done, so are the vegetables.

These ideas and more make a barbecue dinner a special occasion, especially for Mom, who isn't stuck in the kitchen all day. All she has to do is toss a salad or make a gelatin mold earlier in the day.

But, the first step is in the right direction to outdoor eating fun is to purchase a barbecue grill. Look for one with sturdy legs, a large diameter turning grill, large exhaust

holes in the oven hood and a big-capacity charcoal holder. Again, Montgomery Ward has quite a selection of all different types and sizes . . . designed to fit any family's need and pocketbook.

Another favorite this year is the screened-in porch-patio or a new idea. This new item is called the "Puidrome." It's a completely portable 10'x10' screened-in porch with 10 wall panels, snap-in windows and a reinforced nylon top that can be folded down and stored and is easy to assemble and put up.

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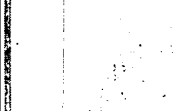
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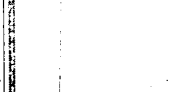
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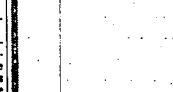
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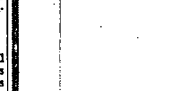
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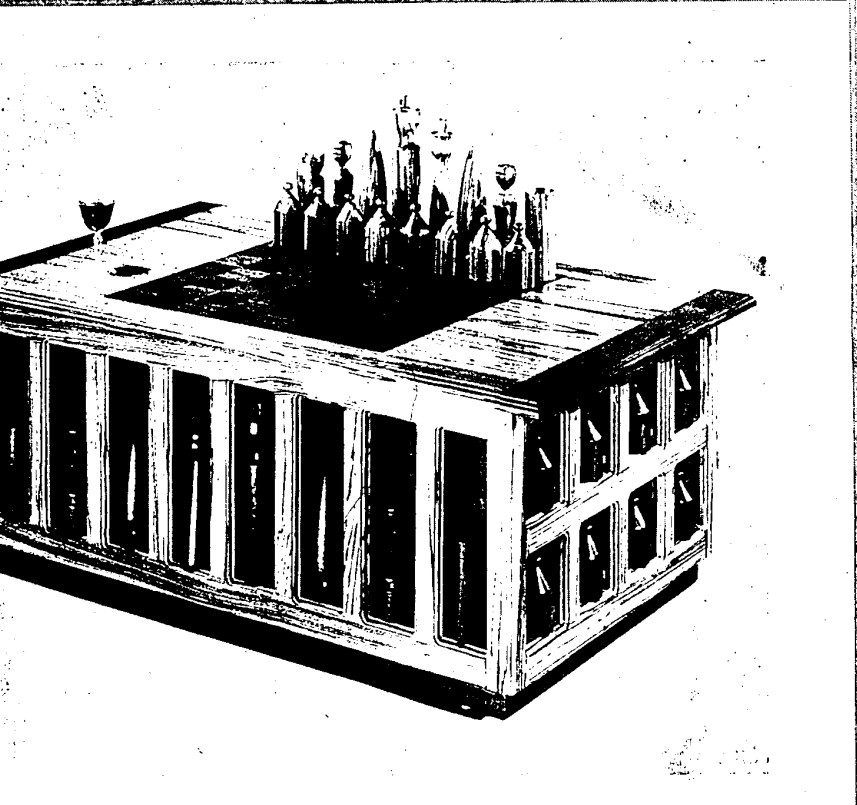
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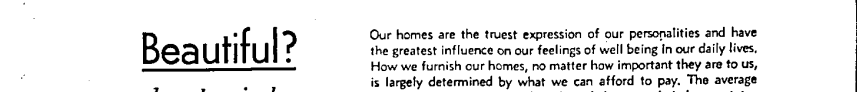
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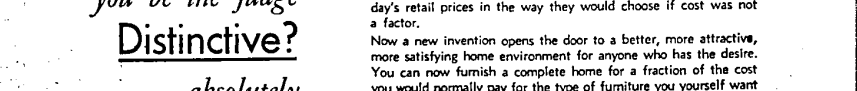
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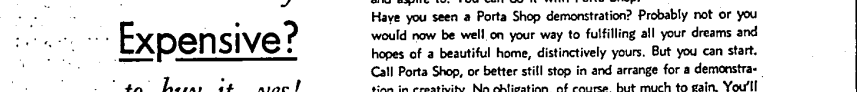
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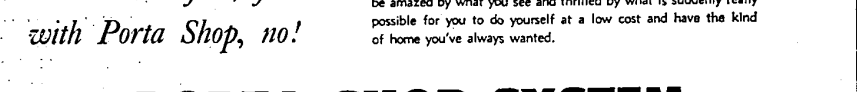
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U.S. Families Love Their Dishwashers

Are you a modern homemaker? Not if you're still washing dishes by hand.

Eight million American women already have switched to doing dishes automatically. Engineering and design advances have made today's automatic dishwashers the most efficient time- and labor-saving kitchen appliance available.

A housewife who still clings to the dreary three-times-a-day washing-dishes-by-hand routine is not only behind the times, she's also squandering hours that could be spent in more satisfying family pursuits.

Studies show that electric dishwashers free the average homemaker of about 90 minutes of messy cleanups daily — once if she has a large family, or entertains a great deal. Tableware that would ordinarily be stacked on the counters or sink, or washed after every meal, can be placed right in the dishwasher and washed all at once at the end of the day.

New models handle large capacities, require no pre-rinsing of dishes and deliver tableware that's hygienically clean, bone-dry and ready to be stacked away by the shelves. There's no kitchen clutter and no extra dishcloths to add to washday chores.

Modern dishwashers are also easier than ever to operate and built-in models are equipped with a host of automatic features.

Most models have push-button controls and a variety of cycles that can handle anything from fragile glassware to heavy-soiled cooking utensils.

Big slide-out racks permit random loading, and you even had odd-sized platters and large pans with ease. Automatic dispensers release detergent and rinsing agents during the proper washing cycle.

Many models have hot water boosters to assure the correct water temperature to provide sanitation and effective washing action.

There are several types of dishwashers from which to choose depending on the size

and style of your kitchen, your need for countertop space and your preference for top- or front-loading.

Free-standing models are separate cabinet units that can be permanently installed at the end of a counter or anywhere in the kitchen. These front-loaders are available in a variety of countertops including wood cutting blocks and laminated plastic to match kitchen counters.

Undercounter models, also known as built-ins, are front-loaders that are permanently installed under a counter. Portable dishwashers can be rolled to and from the sink or even to the table for easier loading. These are especially convenient for kitchens too small to accommodate a permanently-installed model.

When not in use they can be rolled into a hallway or another room.

Front-loading convertible portables can be used as portables immediately and permanently installed as built-ins later.

They are especially popular with families that plan a future move or kitchen remodeling but want the convenience of a dishwasher now.

They provide an extra work surface, and many have optional wood cutting board tops. Dishwasher-sink combinations are space saving and economical to install.

Dishwasher, sink and disposer can be located in one functional compact unit.

A variety of sink tops or countertops is available. To suit the modern housewife's up-to-date kitchen decorating tastes, dishwashers are available in a variety of colors as well as white, and many have decorator fronts or optional trim panels to match other kitchen appliances or cabinets.

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Our homes are the truest expression of our personalities and have the greatest influence on our feelings of well being in our daily lives. How we furnish our homes, no matter how important they are to us, is largely determined by what we can afford to pay. The average family starting out cannot furnish and decorate their home at today's retail prices in the way they would choose if cost was not a factor.

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