



garden party

The sun is shining, the birds are chirping and we want to spend our days outside. Here's some design inspiration for sprucing up your space, whether balcony or backyard.

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COMFORTABLE CAMPFIRE

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PLANTER'S PARADISE

ADD GREENERY TO YOUR PATIO WITH A GROUPING OF PRETTY PLANTERS. Different sizes, shapes and colours will make for a unique display and allow each plant (and its pot!) the chance to shine.

From left to right: Small Argo **PLANTER** in Grey, \$219, Large Diamond **PLANTERS**, \$179 each, Large Sphere **PLANTER** in White, \$229, Large Rocklin **PLANTER**, \$179, crateandbarrel.ca.

SETTLE IN FOR A RELAXING EVENING ALFRESCO.

Add some warmth to any chilly summer nights by lighting a sleek chiminea. For the ultimate homey appeal, surround it with textured outdoor furniture and accessories.

Colourful Outdoor **CHAIR**, \$99, Standing Outdoor **FIREPIT**, \$250, Blocked Wood **SIDE TABLE**, \$70, Outdoor **ROCKING CHAIR**, \$200, Standing Wicker **PLANTER**, \$25, Outdoor **RUG**, 5' x 7', \$100, homesense.ca.

LIGHT YOUR WAY WITH LANTERNS IN ASSORTED STYLES.

Unlike the potential harsh glare of electrical lighting, lanterns, both tall and small, will illuminate your outdoor space with a soft glow.

Tanner Woven **LANTERN**, \$65-\$90, Crosby Teak **LANTERN**, \$100-\$150, Peek **LANTERNS** in Light Grey, 9", \$39, Ivory, 11", \$60, Dark Grey, 15", \$80, crateandbarrel.ca.



LASTING LUMINESCENCE

FEAST WITH FUN...ALL YOU NEED IS THE FOOD.

Bright and sophisticated, this geometric melamine tableware is light and super-durable, and sets the tone for an epic summer party.

Vaso Lagoon Acrylic Drink GLASSES, \$6 each, Jett 5-piece FLATWARE, \$115, Ollie Melamine BOWL, \$9, SALAD PLATES, \$37/4-piece set, DINNER PLATE, \$11, PLATTER, \$23, Spectra Cloth Cocktail NAPKINS, \$25/8-piece set, crateandbarrel.ca.



GO GEOMETRIC

SUNROOM SERENITY



UNWIND ON A COMFY CUSHIONED INDOOR/OUTDOOR CHAIR.

The perfect setting for a seat like this can be just about anywhere—but we're loving this rustic room the most. It's a simple space fit for curling up with a good book.

Havsten Indoor/Outdoor CHAIR in Beige, \$320, ikea.ca.

BOLD BOHO



ENJOY TEA TIME OR HAPPY HOUR IN THIS WHIMSICAL SETTING.

Throw some colour into the mix with playful items like a geometric rug, patterned planter and artsy stool. A large potted tree adds a touch of foliage if you don't have a garden.

Outdoor BISTRO SET with Side Table, \$380, Buddha Head DECORATION, \$10, Hanging BIRDHOUSE, \$17, Ceramic Colourful STOOL, \$60, Blue PLANTER, \$25, Small Patterned PLANTER, \$8, Outdoor RUG, 5' x 7', \$100, homesense.ca.

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BASK IN SUMMERY YELLOWS AND LUSCIOUS GREENS.

Make use of a long concrete bench by adding tons of comfy toss cushions. This outdoor room provides privacy but still feels full of nature. Divide the space with small groups of planters.

Acapulco Outdoor **CHAIR** in White, \$130, Water-Repellent **TOSS CUSHIONS** in Summer Lovin', Enjoy, Three-Toned, Pineapples, \$23 each, Water-Repellent **LUMBAR CUSHION** in Three-Toned, \$23, bouclair.com.

HANG OUT (LITERALLY), SIT BACK AND JUST RELAX.

An egg-shaped chair is as appealing for its interesting look as it is for its comfort. Feel at one with the breeze and let yourself sway.

Canvas Sydney Egg **SWING**, \$500, canadiantire.ca.

GET THE LOOK

Foxhill Trading Premier Home Hand-Woven Indoor/Outdoor **RUG** in Blush/White, 4' x 6', \$119, wayfair.ca.



Concrete Head **PLANTER** with faux plant, \$35, homesense.ca.

Aztec-pattern **TOSS CUSHION**, \$30, homesense.ca.



Otteron Innerskar Indoor/Outdoor **POUFFE** in Turquoise, \$60, ikea.ca.



Seagrass Candle **LANTERN**, \$20, hm.com/ca.



Savanna Wren **CHAIR**, \$349, urbanbarn.com.



PATIO PARLOUR

LOUNGE AND CHITCHAT OUTDOORS.

If you've got the space, set up an alfresco living room that's perfect for conversation. The seats are comfy enough to accommodate all those all-night debates.

Highland Dunes Cassville 12-piece Outdoor **CONVERSATION SET** with Cushions in Blue, \$3,170, wayfair.ca.

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