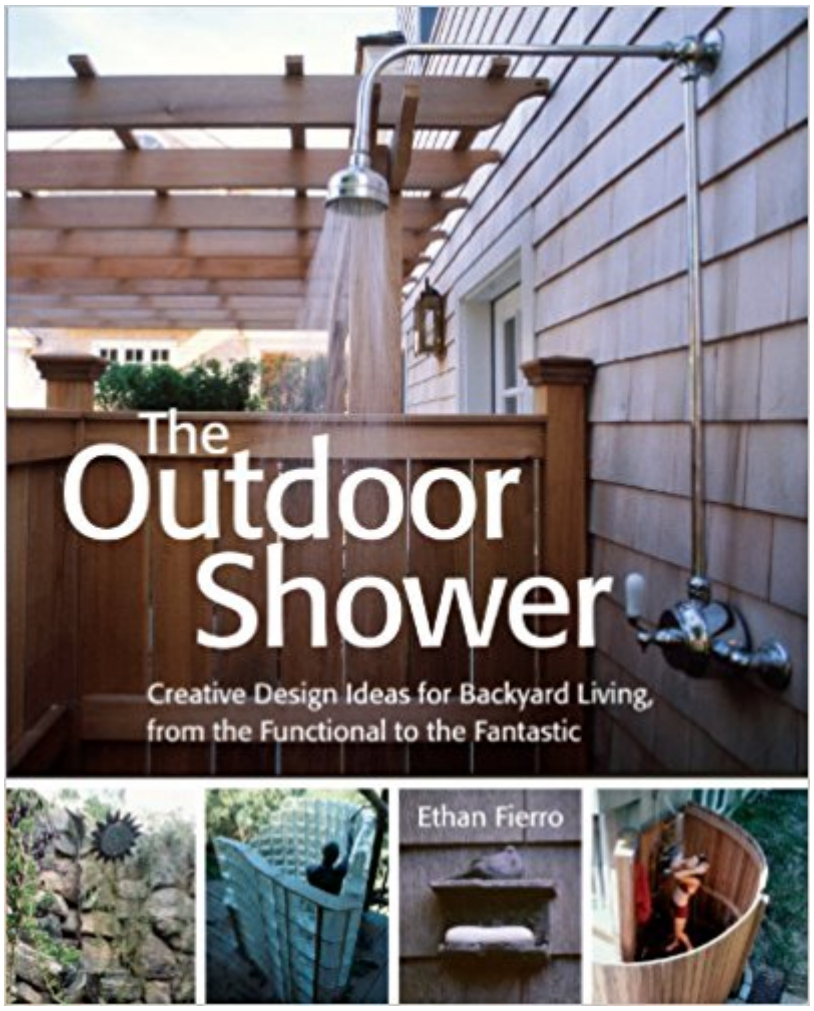
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The Outdoor Shower: Creative Design Ideas For Backyard Living, From The Functional To The Fantastic



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Synopsis

An outdoor shower is one of summerÃ¢â ¬â„¢s greatest pleasures. Providing practical building instructions for a variety of designs that range from a simple showerhead on the side of a cottage to a freestanding structure enclosed in frosted glass, Ethan Fierro shows you how to build an outdoor shower that reflects your unique personality and style. With an eye toward keeping costs down and environmentally friendly construction practices, Fierro will inspire you to create the shower of your dreams.Ã Â

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Customer Reviews

Ã¢â ¬Å“The ideas just flow on how to create one of these escapist retreats for yourself.Ã¢â ¬Â•Ã¢â ¬â •Nancy Schoeffler, Hartford CourantÃ¢â ¬Å“The book covers all the practical aspects you need to know before building an outdoor showerÃ¢â ¬Â¦[H]e also includes plenty of photos of showers, from elegant glass block enclosures to simple setups supplied by garden hoses, that will make you wish for the opportunity to scrub up al fresco.Ã¢â ¬Â• Mary Beth Breckenridge, McClatchy NewspapersÃ Â

Enjoy Outdoor Living to the Fullest!Ã Â Showering outdoors under a bright blue sky after a day of playing in the surf, digging in the garden, or taking a long bicycle ride is the ultimate in relaxation. Designer/builder Ethan Fierro celebrates the creativity and whimsical inspiration behind dozens of

outdoor showers in this collection of stunning designs, all photographed on location across North America.Ã Â Whether you're planning to add a simple wooden shower enclosure to the outside of your beach or lake house, or to build a freestanding shower structure in a private corner of your property, you will find the perfect plan idea. There is also plenty of practical information on basic plumbing and structural requirements, along with suggestions for how to use a wide range of building materials, from stone and wood to metal, glass blocks, tile, and more. And for the cost-conscious builder, Fierro offers fun ideas for repurposing found and recycled materials.Ã Â If you've always dreamed of having an outdoor shower, now's the time to open the pages of this book, shed your inhibitions, and take the plunge!

The design ideas in the book certainly are enough to light a fire in those who enjoy doing their own construction/renovation. There are numerous pictures showing the range of complexity that can be found in outdoor showers. It does give a good general overview on topics like design, planning, integration with existing structures, plumbing, local building codes and drainage. But sadly that's about all the book is: a general overview. Their really isn't any sort of "how-to" in the book. I don't mean full-blown construction plans but a discussion about something as basic as how to get hot water without paying hundreds of dollars to a plumber. I really enjoyed reading the information and viewing all the photos but when I was done with the book I felt like it didn't get me any closer to figuring out what kind of shower to make or even if I should try and attempt this project on my own at all! And just for the record, I am no slouch when it comes to construction\renovation nor am I one to back away from a DIY project because I think its above my pay grade. I just felt that this book really didn't do anything that an unhurried meandering in Home Depot for two hours would accomplish. As I said, it does light a fire but really doesn't seem to help with directing that fire once it's been lit.

Good for ideas and reference

The value of this book depends on what basic knowledge you have of showers. If you don't know about plumbing or materials (wood, etc) you will find the book informative. Or you if you are looking for ideas of a rustic or eclectic outdoor shower (shower on a tree), you will find the book informative. But if you are looking for ideas for a stylish outdoor shower and associated fixtures, you will find the book lacking. I found better ideas by doing an internet search.

This is not an architectural idea book for outdoor showers. Very dated designs and materials. Not an idea or help book for someone doing a higher end, creative design, and construction materials ideas for their outdoor shower. I thought unattractive and uncreative tiles and glass block personally not a favorite and another example of dateness . As I said the showers were very basic and for someone looking to do an inexpensive shower.

This book contains everything I needed to get an idea for the perfect outdoor shower. I was able to put together great plans for my project.

This book is a practical guide to putting in an outdoor shower. I would've liked more photos of what people have done to create great outdoor shower spaces- the book seems to mostly focus on Martha's Vineyard- but this book has some good advice on plumbing from the house, drainage, and partitions. It is a good place to start if putting in an outdoor shower, but I found the internet and my local guys at Home Depot to be better resources for some things.

I guess I expected more innovated ideas they all look pretty much the same or maybe I have just been around more including Buring Man, I know that shower.

I wanted to have built a free standing shower and there were too any fancy showers and no basic easy to build showers. I wanted a cedar wood 5x5 6 foot shower. Live across from beach and have always enjoyed outdoor showering. Wish this book had been more helpful.

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