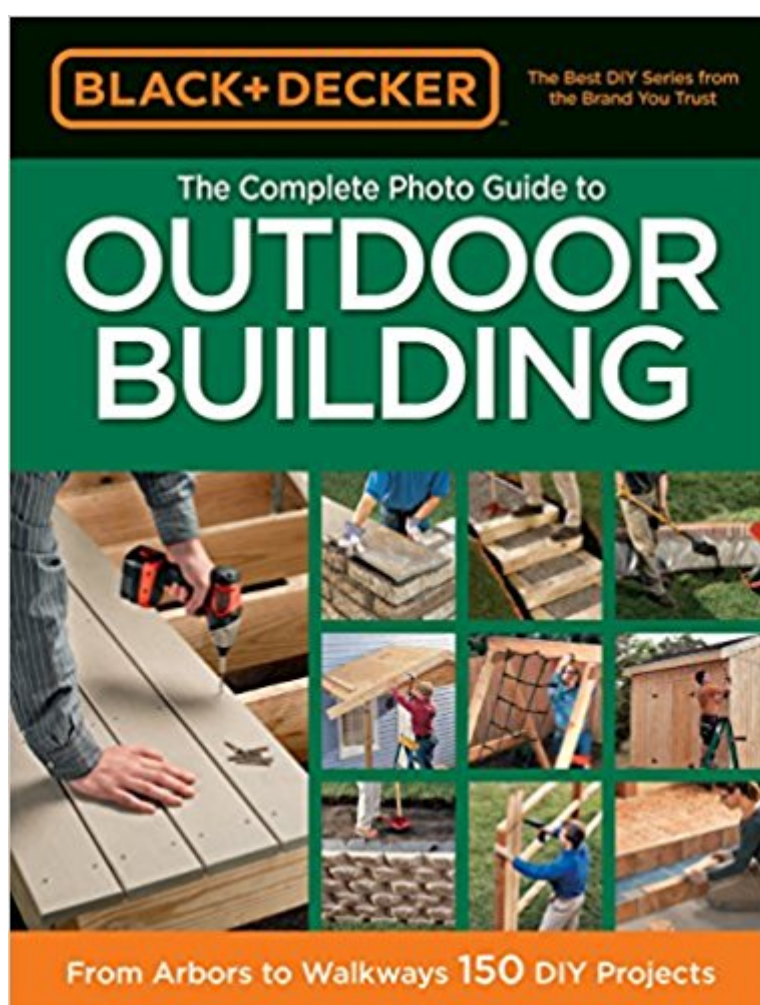


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# Black & Decker The Complete Photo Guide To Outdoor Building: From Arbors To Walkways: 150 DIY Projects



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Over 150 projects and hundreds of instructional photographs combine with informative tips, tricks, and inspiration in the most comprehensive patio and walkway book on the market. With *The Complete Photo Guide to Outdoor Building*, adding beautiful, functional patios and walkways to your yard has never been easier. From low-cost footpaths with high curb appeal to expansive, estate-quality decorative concrete patios, this book presents each project with foolproof step-by-step instructions and gorgeous full-color photographs. You'll be pointed toward the most current materials, tools, common practices, codes, and construction techniques to help you add value to your home and enjoy your outdoor spaces to their full potential. If you're looking for more storage, you'll find complete how-to information for sheds and greenhouses. If you need more living space, you'll find instructions for patios, decks, and porches. Build play structures to entertain the children; arrange an outdoor cooking area to entertain the adults—whether your existing space needs to be freshened up or your unused space is just waiting to be beautified, this book is a crucial one-stop resource for do-it-yourself homeowners. Complete with detailed planning information and recommendations for tools and materials, *The Complete Photo Guide to Outdoor Building* has everything the home DIYer needs to improve and enjoy their outdoor living space.

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This book is a great addition to add to your homeowner DIY library. It has a lot of projects covering just about anything you may want to attempt outside. I have a lot of other Black&Decker DIY books, and they are ALL very well put together, laid out nicely, and most importantly, have clear, helpful pictures. This book is no exception. Each project has 8 or so photos of the main phases of the project. And usually the pictures are of the most important phases. This book is great, too, in that it inspires creativity and may make you want to have the nicest looking yard in the neighborhood! Great ideas, great photos, easy to read, and has practical advice. One source for outdoor projects! Sheds, decks, porches, walking paths, pergolas, etc..

good practical knowledge for building an arbor/garden gate, which is what I wanted it for.

I have acquired an appreciation for B+D how-to books, and this is a great reference. Great diversity of projects. Pros: Covers walkways, fences and gates, decks, trellis and arbors, sections on designing and construction methods, materials, etc... wood, stone, concrete, synthetic -- in all great coverage. Note this is a "Photo" book, providing less text and fewer schematics than in previous DIY books. But the photos are all great, in color and worth the proverbial "1000 words". I also bought their companion "photo" book on building sheds, garages and other outbuildings, very helpful. Cons: this "new" book arrived with dirty finger smudges at both ends. Someone returned this item, and simply threw it back into the rotation.

Excellent book! Full of great pictures and good for those who aren't particularly handy. This isn't a book for the professional builder, though it does give some really great ideas. I look forward to starting some of these projects!

I was able to see inside the book. That's when I knew I would buy it. It was perfect for the retaining wall I am building and other projects for a pretty big backyard. I would recommend this for anyone

who would like to spruce up their outdoor spaces both present and future. Great Ideas also.

Decent book with a lots of projects, but very superficial. If your not already a DIYer you might want to look around at some more detailed books.

This was a Christmas gift from my wife to help me out a little on home projects. It is very helpful and easy to understand and has many visuals on lots of projects. The book has many of the most common projects you may want to attempt.

Very good guide to help you do many projects from building sheds and decks to putting in stone sidewalks and patios..

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