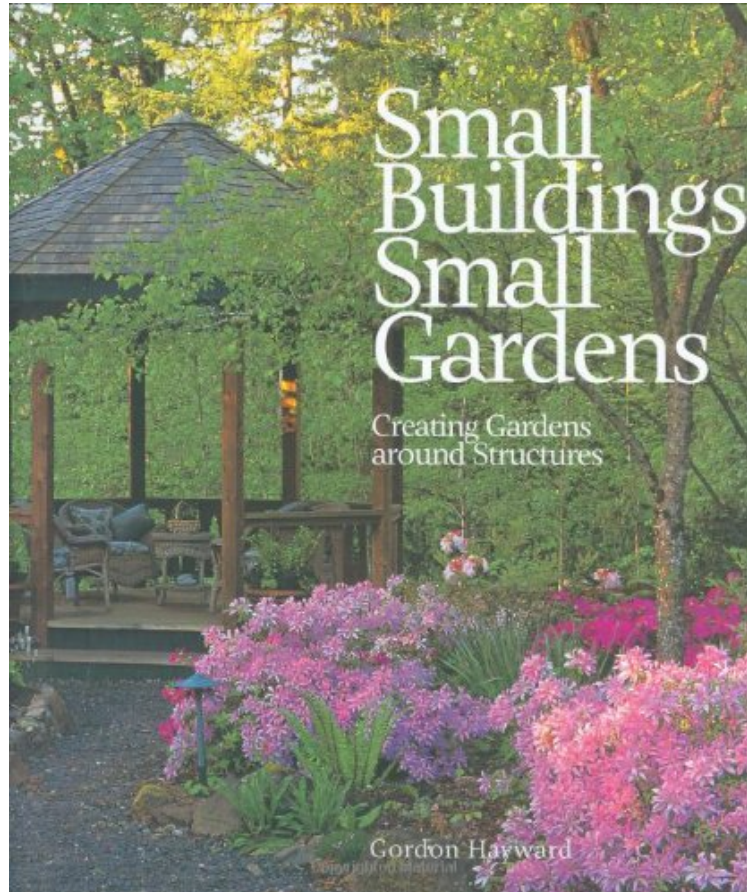


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Small Buildings, Small Gardens Creating Gardens Around Structures Gordon Hayward Illustrations by Peter Joel Harrison In his eighth book on practical garden design, renowned gardener Gordon Hayward explores the idea that existing or newly built structures in a garden--sheds, pergolas, fences, arbors, gazebos, pools, and so on--can be used to answer most questions about how to develop an engaging and user-friendly garden plan. Important tips: A small structure such as a shed suggests the dimensions, style, line and purpose of the garden adjacent to it. Gazebos, arbors and other open structures frame garden views. Fences, pergolas and walls provide structure, background, edges and places for people to sit, have a meal or gather. Gates and breaks in walls and fencing create thresholds, points of entry and transitions from one garden area to the next. Trellises and other vertical built structures attached to the sides of buildings provide places for vines or espaliers. Gordon Hayward is the author of several books, including *The Welcoming Garden*, *The Intimate Garden: Twenty Years and Four Seasons in Our Garden*, *Garden Paths: Inspiring Designs and Practical Projects*, and *Your House, Your Garden: A Foolproof Approach to Garden Design*, as well as a variety of articles for *Horticulture Magazine*. He lives in Westminister West, Vermont. "Hayward has shown himself to be not only a talented landscape designer but also a gifted teacher." -Publishers Weekly "Gordon Hayward shows you how to get beyond lawn and standard shrubs . . ." -Chicago Tribune

If you are thinking of updating or expanding your landscaping, do yourself a favor and check out this book. I learned more about landscape philosophy and design from *Small Buildings, Small Gardens* than I did from college horticulture classes and the UC Davis Master Gardener's Program. The ideas presented here are easy to understand, make sense, and are applicable to all we do in our yards and gardens, whether or not we have small buildings. If you are thinking of adding any small buildings, arbors, trellises, or other garden structures--you will find tons of tips on placement and design. These tips could make the difference between ho-hum and spectacular. Author, Gordon Hayward, trains your eye--through easy to understand text and the inclusion of pictures that are worth a thousand words. The very best designs are not the result of spending more money; but rather the result of developing a careful level of observation. *Small Buildings, Small Gardens - Creating Gardens around Structures*, by Gordon Hayward, published by Gibbs Smith, 2007, ISBN 978-1-58685-705-9 ([Harvest McCampbell Harvestsgardeningsecrets.blogspot.com](http://Harvest McCampbell Harvestsgardeningsecrets.blogspot.com) 2012-01-30) From the Inside Flap Sitting in a vine-covered gazebo framing a lakeside view, walking under a pergola connecting an orchard and pool garden, having lunch in a summerhouse with lavender blooms in the foreground while roses scramble over the roof--variety is what engages visitors to a garden, and once you understand that garden design gathers around making places for people, then you begin to find just the right places for plants that will engage those people. Built structures in a garden provide anchors, centers and starting places for good garden design. Features such as garden sheds, arbors, pergolas, gazebos, trellises, fences, gates, bridges, decks, arches and small buildings--playhouses, summerhouses and pool houses--provide valuable clues as to how to develop gardens around them, and how using a variety of these structures can solve many design problems. In *Small Buildings Small Gardens*, author Gordon Hayward teaches you his design process, which will help answer many questions about how to develop a design for your new or existing garden: . Where should I put a new bed? . How big should it be? . What shape should it be? . How does it relate to existing beds? . How should I plant this new garden so it fits in with those that already exist yet adds to the overall experience of my garden? Packed with case studies of private gardens from around the world, *Small Buildings Small Gardens* offers practical, essential advice on siting built structures to help you gain the confidence in designing your own garden masterpieces. Gordon Hayward is the author of several books, including *The Welcoming Garden*, *The Intimate Garden: Twenty Years and Four Seasons in Our Garden*, *Garden Paths: Inspiring Designs and Practical Projects*, and *Your House, Your Garden: A Foolproof Approach to Garden Design*, as well as a variety of articles for *Horticulture Magazine*. He lives in Westminister West, Vermont. About the Author Gordon Hayward holds degrees from Wesleyan University and began gardening in the 1970s. In 1984, he turned to the work of garden design, lecturing, and writing full time. He consults throughout the Northeast for residential clients, their architects, and builders. Peter Joel Harrison has written four studies on Historic American landscape detail that are published by John Wiley and Son. These hardcover volumes contain more than 1,100 images fashioned after copperplate engravings, all printed on cream paper using period typefaces and with marbled end papers. They are the result of three decades of field research as Mr. Harrison traveled the country. Anyone involved in design, restoration or reproduction of historically accurate or historically inspired garden structures will find these books invaluable.