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**S**omething about summer makes us all want to go outside and play.

Feels good, doesn't it? To accompany your inner child out of doors, here is the annual *Better Homes and Gardens*® Outdoor Living issue, a place to hear about garden rooms and retreats, perfect porches, at-home summer-camp style, inviting vacation houses, and a taste of the great outdoors. But, this being summer, this issue also gives you a chance just to sit a spell, put your feet up, and—*abbb*—relax.

*To order plans for this arbor, see page 142.*