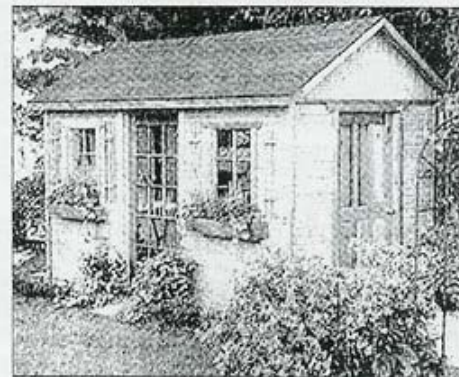




A pool cabana, above, and a garden shed, below, both are sold by Summerwood products in kits that can be personalized.

Just don't call them sheds



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Living rooms have couches. Bathrooms have toilets. Kitchens have ovens.

And gardens? They have outbuildings.

"Every garden needs one," said garden designer Kelvin Terry of J.K. Terry & Company in Homewood, Ala. "It's a way of bringing the architecture of the home into the garden."

Other designers agree. Whether a gazebo, a small potting shed, or a well-designed storage building, an outbuilding unifies home and

garden and serves both as an aesthetic aid and a space creator.

Those who want to add a structure to their garden can order a kit to install themselves or hire a designer to draw something original and have it built by a professional.

Plan to spend \$25 per square foot, or more, depending on the extravagance of your project and whether you build it yourself.

Before beginning the project, designers recommend thinking about the architecture of the home and the utilitarian purpose of the outbuilding.

"People want a place to keep garden supplies," said garden designer Mary Zahl of Birmingham, Ala. "They want a place to store plants, sometimes in the winter. A lot of homes don't have garages or storage areas that are part of the house, so some of my clients want the additional storage."

All these, Zahl said, are great reasons to add an outbuilding to your garden. But, she said, they should come second to the aesthetic value the outbuilding adds. "If you go to the great gardens of the world, they have

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