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YOUR Best summer weekend



Celebrate the season with our three-part summer series packed with great ideas for getting together with family, friends, and neighbors, getting fun projects done around the house and garden, or just getting away from it all.



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OUR TOP PICKS

Previous page: Striped Hammock by Magnolia Traditions, \$89-\$99; Pillow, \$29. *This page, clockwise from top:* Cabana Row, St. Tropez Spice Jacquard, Large Quick-Dry Hammock from Hatteras Hammocks, \$160. Hatteras Hammocks' Roman Arc cypress stand, \$700, and LL Bean's Rope Polyester Hammock, \$89. Frontgate's Air Lounger Zig-Zag Spring Suspension Stand, \$849, Air Lounger Hammock, \$175, and Air Lounger Pillow, \$39.50.

SWINGIN' WEEKEND

The world takes on a whole new perspective when viewed from a gently swaying hammock. Don't have two perfectly spaced trees? No problem. You'll still have it made in the shade when you buy a sturdy hammock stand and set aside space on a patio, sunroom, or deck.

At the garden center or outdoor furniture store, find everything from traditional tied-rope hammocks to new weather-resistant fabric versions. Make sure the stand will support the heaviest member of the family and check for stability. If the stand rocks or bows when you get in, it's not a good choice. Consider a double hammock if you plan for a couple kids climbing aboard or you and your partner like to snuggle.

TO GET INTO A HAMMOCK It's a little like getting into a canoe—once you know how, it's easy. First, spread out the hammock. Turn so that your back is facing the hammock, in the same manner as if you were about to sit in a chair. Reach behind yourself and grasp the edge. Sit down and lie back slowly. Never climb into a hammock feet first or side first—you may go overboard.

FIND A COMFORTABLE SPOT Lie diagonally across the hammock, which distributes weight evenly, keeps the hammock stable, and supports your back better. If you have a double hammock, lie crosswise, along the center.

TO GET OUT OF A HAMMOCK Swing your legs over the side first, and then sit up. Hold the edges of the hammock firmly and push yourself up and off.

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CHRISTIAN MILLMAN AND STEPHEN EXEL. PRODUCED BY JOSEPH BOEHM



SUMMER'S BEST LEMONADE

Jazz up a timeless thirst-quencher with fresh summer ingredients.

WATERMELON-BASIL LEMONADE: In a 4-quart bowl or heat-proof pitcher, use the back of a wooden spoon to bruise ¼ cup fresh basil leaves. Add juice from 4 large lemons (1 cup); reserve rinds. Mix juice with ½ to ¾ cup sugar. Pour 4 cups boiling water over juice mixture, stir to dissolve sugar. Add lemon rinds and 3 cups pureed watermelon. Cover and refrigerate 2 to 3 hours. Remove and discard rinds. Strain through a mesh sieve into a pitcher. Add watermelon wedges and fresh basil leaves. Stir before serving. Makes about six (10-ounce) glasses over ice.

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