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**Hazel Evans : The Patio Garden (The garden bookshelf)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Patio Garden (The garden bookshelf):

A sunny corner of the garden, a tiny backyard, a roof terrace - whatever the space available, this book offers many ideas for creating a new outdoor room. Examples of some of the best existing patios demonstrate how to put good design principles into practice, and provide varied solutions for tackling every situation, exposed or sheltered, sunny or shady, large or small. Examples include a shady terrace and a town patio garden. This book contains a comprehensive and clearly laid out section on structuring the patio, illustrated with colour photographs and explanatory diagrams. Hazel Evans is the author of "How to Cheat at Gardening", "Instant Gardens" and "Small Space Gardening".

From Publishers Weekly Evans, gardening editor of Good Housekeeping, delivers clear and stimulating directions on designing, constructing, painting and furnishing what she calls an "outdoor room." She maintains that there are myriad possibilities for such rooms, whether the gardener lives in a city apartment, in the suburbs or in the country. The author offers ideas for beautifying a small terrace or rooftop in town, for larger areas that could include pools, different levels, etc. Each section focuses on a specific subject: the initial "spade work" building the patio as planned then planting chosen trees, flowers, vegetables; selecting furniture and ornamental statuary; and caring for the al fresco living room in general. Copyright 1986 Reed Business Information, Inc.