

# Better Homes and Gardens August 2007 Issue Highlights

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## **Leaf of the Party; pg. 21**

Set the scene for an outdoor party with accents gathered from your garden. Create a fragrant nosegay in just a few easy steps, set out any large, striking leaf when serving drinks, instead of using a traditional cloth, look to the garden when setting your table. *Better Homes and Gardens* gives new ways to adorn your garden party from the comfort of your own backyard.

## **Style Made Simple: A Shade Better; pg. 30**

Give ordinary lampshades a lift with easy add-ons that take less than an hour. From no-fuss slipcovers to creating the look of pleated silk and from giving a drum shade a paper makeover to a fabulous 10 minute embellishment. *Better Homes and Gardens* shows you easy and affordable ways to create new styles for your lampshades.

## **Stocking Up On Green; pg. 86**

If making your home more eco-friendly is a priority, you can start with the supplies in your closet. Light bulbs, paper products, trash bags, and cleaners, all of these are necessary household items. Learn what products to buy and use that reduce the waste and chemicals in your home while saving you money.

## **A Green Cleaning Basket; pg. 88**

With manufacturers offering more options, it's easier to buy environmentally sensitive cleaners. Learn what products to look for that are free of chemicals that can irritate or pollute.

## **Problem Solved: Gem Packed; pg. 96**

Tangled bangles and errant earrings tarnish a girl's morning dress up routine. Learn how to tidy up your treasures with pretty storage.

## **Stay Cool; pg. 139**

To beat the heat, turn your backyard into a water theme park. There is fun in the sun for everyone. Take a dip in a kid's pool, play games with a water hose, or even have a water balloon fight! Enjoy the summer with your entire family.

## **Get Organized: Clean Getaway; pg. 152**

For trips long or short, a tidy vehicle keeps your eyes and mind on the road. Try our tips for keeping your car organized.

## **Give Me Liberty; pg. 156**

To step out as independent adults, children need to learn to rely on themselves, starting from an early age. Knowing when to help and when to let children cope is one of the great balancing acts of parenthood, from the first sleepover to the day they leave home for good. Learn ways to slowly let your child take steps on his own so that they are prepared for the future.

## **Everyday Easy: Summer Pleasures; pg. 206**

Perfect for those cool end of summer evenings, *Better Homes and Gardens* offers some great quick dinners that are just right for eating alfresco. Try five delicious recipes that are easy to prepare, won't wear out your wallet, and are ready in just 20-minutes. Enjoy the sunset with some of our meals for the whole family to enjoy.

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