

MARCH-APRIL 2015

VERANDA

THE BEST OF SPRING

ROMANTIC ROOMS
& SECRET GARDENS





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1. **JARDINS DU ROI SOLEIL** A reproduction worthy of a queen. *Marie-Antoinette*; price upon request, through ajfdesign.com.
2. **CURREY & COMPANY** Faux bois fantasy. *Elwynn*; \$3,740, curreyandcompany.com.
3. **KINGSLEY-BATE** An iconic silhouette in patina-ready teak. *Lutyens*; \$1,250, kingsleybate.com.
4. **ACCENTS OF FRANCE** Juicy custom finishes enliven graphic lines. *Santeny*; \$5,540, accentsoffrance.com.
5. **LONGSHADOW** Classic, timeless stone. *Fluted*; to the trade, longshadow.com.
6. **AUTHENTIC PROVENCE** Sharp arcs are light as air. *Gothic*; \$4,200, authenticprovence.com.
7. **MUNDER-SKILES** A historic American shape gets a vivid hue. *Almodington*; from \$5,355, munder-skiles.com.
8. **McKINNON & HARRIS** Stately, seductive, sophisticated. *Keswick*; to the trade, mckinnonharris.com.
9. **JAMB** Handsome even for an entry hall. *Saltram*; \$5,119, jamb.co.uk.
10. **CHATSWORTH CARPENTERS** Splendor in the grass. *Chelsea*; \$7,542, chatsworth.org.

the allure of a garden bench is pretty hard to beat. Peeking out from beneath a copse of trees or beside a bed of blooms, the outdoor accessory invites quiet contemplation, a cozy tête-à-tête, or a delicious afternoon snooze. As an open-air focal point and a destination in its own right, a bench is meant to be admired from afar. Its profile is paramount. Will it be sharp or sinuous? Classicist or minimalist? Rough-hewn or refined? The options gathered here provide all that and then some—the only thing left for you to do, my dear, is decide.

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