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# SITTING AND CHATTING

Lamps, rugs, cushions and fireplaces are just some of the things that are changing the face of the outdoor sitting room



For well-designed and substantial outdoor sofas and armchairs, McKinnon and Harris is an excellent source. The 'Pavilion Vi Club Chair', pictured in wicomico white, measures 99 x 74 x 78cm and costs £7,608. [www.mckinnonharris.com](http://www.mckinnonharris.com)

An outdoor fireplace, such as this one by American designer Michael S Smith, can be a focal point around which to congregate on summer evenings. Comfortable outdoor sofas and armchairs are a must.



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## SLEEP OR SIESTA

'When you live in a country like the UK, with its interminable winters, on the precious days when it is warm I firmly believe that if you can do it outside, you should do. That includes sleeping,' says architect Jonathan Tuckey. 'In hot weather we often drag one of the beds into the garden, but you can get great outdoor beds now as well. There's something incredibly exotic and invigorating about sleeping under the stars in comfort.'



Oka's 'Easthampton Double Sunbed' is in all-weather rattan, with water-resistant cushions. It is 88 x 174 x 168cm and costs £1,240. [www.okadirect.com](http://www.okadirect.com)



In this house in Mexico by architect Héctor Velázquez Graham, this sheltered outdoor seating area has been furnished with a set of wicker furniture and a large woven rug, above which hangs a Noguchi 'L8' ceiling lamp.