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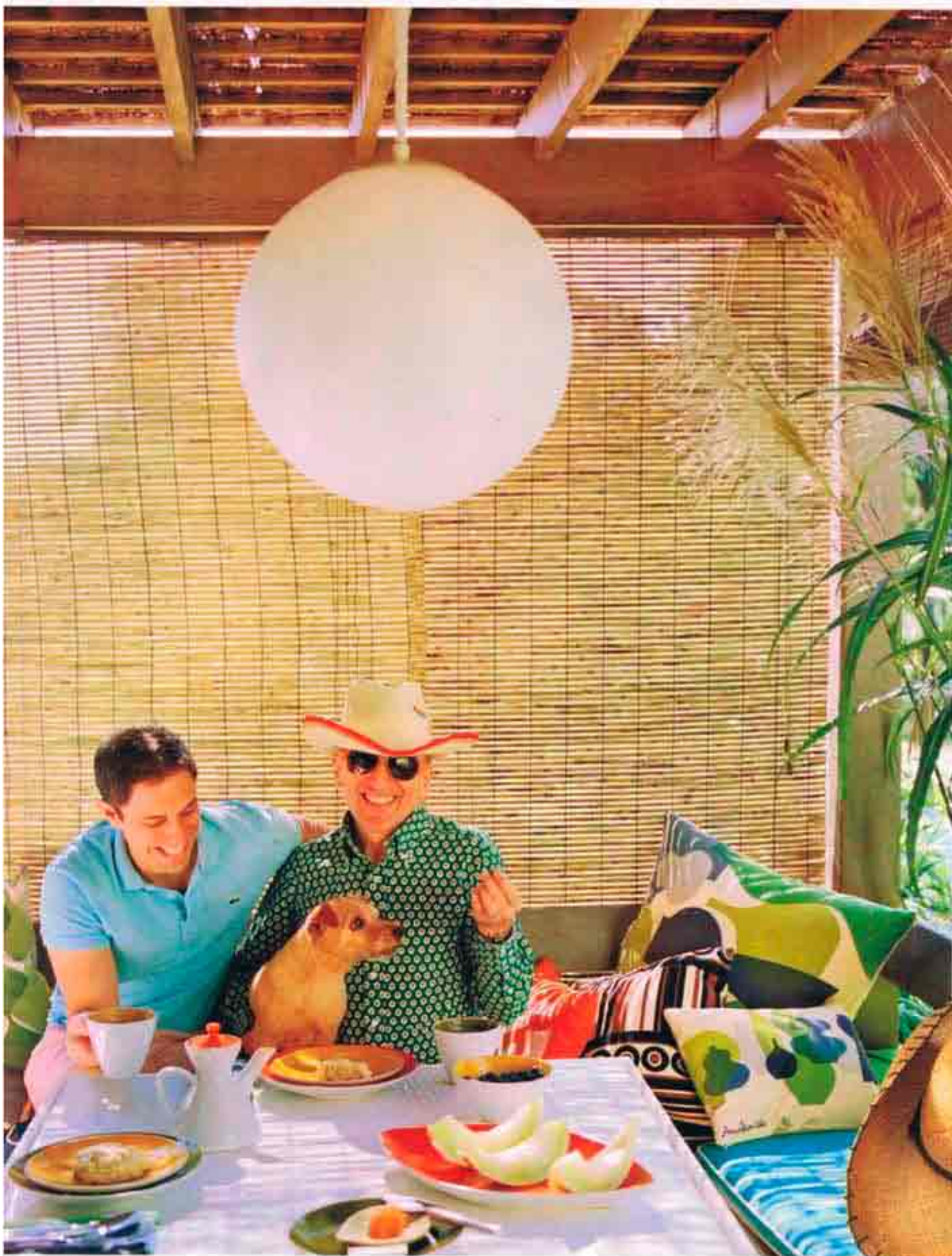
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MADE SIMPLE**  
The colors, fabrics &  
looks we love most

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# mod men

What do you get when you cross a Shelter Island shack with two fun-loving designers? Jonathan Adler and Simon Doonan's splash-tastic outdoor space



**Y**ou know designer Jonathan Adler for his punchy modern patterns and funky white ceramics. His partner, Simon Doonan, is a famed Barneys window dresser who has written five books, including *Beautiful People*, which became a hit BBC comedy series in 2008. Together, the New York City design duo turned a Shelter Island shack into a stylish pad dedicated to entertaining their just-as-fabulous friends and lounging poolside with their Norwich terrier, Liberace. "This house is our escape from our bonkers professional lives," Jonathan says. "Informality is the key." Here, they reveal their backyard makeover and share tips for scoring mod-rustic style. >

#### DRESS THE PART

"I always wear my Rod Keenan cowboy hat from Barneys. People yell 'yee-haw!' at me from passing cars." —SIMON



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Landscape designer Vickie Cardaro

## GREENERY CHEAT SHEET

Landscape designer Vickie Cardaro of Buttercup Design Group gives us the scoop on her plant plan.

**Hardy banana trees** potted or planted in the ground

**Lily-of-the-Nile (agapanthus)** in a narrow strip between the pool and house, just below the banana trees

**Bamboo** in a cement trough at one end of the pool and throughout the property for privacy

**Foxtail ferns**, which look great in tall pots or low, squat planters

**Agave**, potted for sharp poolside drama 🌵

### MAKE IT MOD

"UNDER ROUND STEPPING STONES, GRAVEL GIVES A COOL MIDCENTURY LOOK"

—JONATHAN



**PLANT BOLDLY**  
"I LOVE A GIANT ORANGE PLANTER! I'M ALWAYS ON THE LOOKOUT FOR COLORFUL POTS THAT COMPLEMENT JONNY'S CERAMIC SHAPES"  
—SIMON

The Retro Bullet Planter in Hot Orange, \$145 (16"); hiphaven.com



### DO IT YOURSELF

"We made the outdoor shower from a bamboo fence we got at a local garden center, attached to locust posts, and centered under an outdoor spigot. The posts are like steel and tend to be straighter than other tree trunks." —JONATHAN

"I'M NOT SURE I COULD RELAX IF WE SPENT SUMMERS IN THE HAMPTONS. SHELTER ISLAND IS LESS FANCY-PANTS" —SIMON