

RHONA MITRA

"Living by the beach, I don't have to go to the gym as much," says Mitra, hanging out on a hammock on one of her three patios. "I can just ride my bike, Rollerblade—anything to avoid the gym!" Opposite: To make this patio work as an outdoor living room, Mitra installed an arbor-style roof and added a U-shaped, custom-made sofa in chocolate brown. (Her bulldog Oscar approves.)

