Boardwalks

Today on Gardening in a Minute: boardwalks.

A backyard boardwalk is a great addition to the yard and is relatively simple to build. A boardwalk, in the conventional sense, is a wooden path for pedestrians and sometimes vehicles. Boardwalks are often found along beaches, but they are also common as paths through wetlands, coastal dunes, and other sensitive environments.

You can add a boardwalk to your garden very easily. Build a simple wooden boardwalk by nailing crosspieces to wood sleepers laid either in or on top of a flat, well-drained base of gravel.

Make sure the wood is decay resistant, pressure-treated, or a composite material and rated for ground contact. The decking and support boards should be of sufficient strength to support your intended use.

Use your imagination to see how a boardwalk can enhance your landscape!

For more about boardwalks and many other gardening topics, contact your county extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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