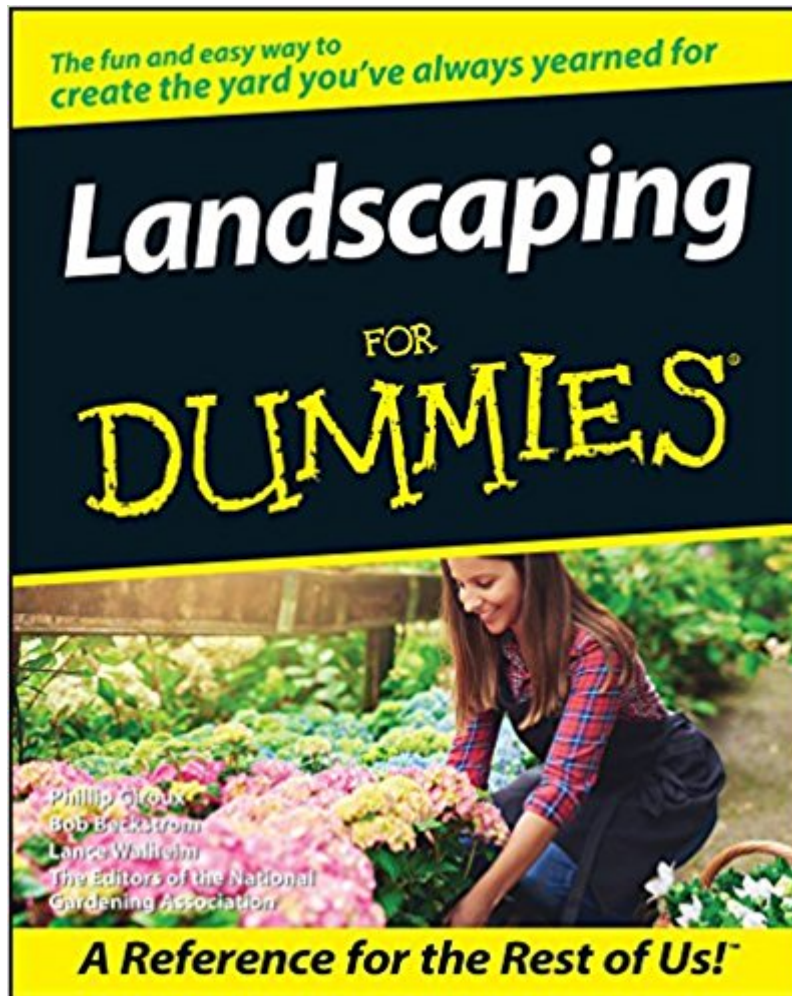




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Landscaping For Dummies



Synopsis

A beautiful landscape reflects well on your house, making it a welcome part of a neighborhood or native terrain. And it dramatically increases your home's value. Landscaping also makes your house and yard more useful and better able to complement your family's lifestyle. Trees shade your home to reduce energy use. Thorny shrubs deter prowlers. Lawns reduce dust from bare ground and give children the perfect play area. Patios and decks are great for entertaining. And a vegetable garden can yield fresh, delicious salads to eat on that patio or deck. Landscaping for Dummies has everything you need to turn the little patch of earth you call your own into a personal paradise. Whether you've waited for the day to have property to landscape, you'd never given it a second thought until you had to, or you want to improve on an existing landscape, this book offers a clearly written wealth of knowledge on:

- Designs Fences, walls, gates, and paths
- Decks, patios, and outdoor rooms
- Trees Shrubs and vines
- Ground cover

From the basic principles of landscape design, to all the ins and outs of hillsides, balcony gardens, and water gardens, this book will show you how to:

- Think like a designer
- Dream up the right landscape for your family's needs
- Increase your home's resale value
- Conserve energy
- Deal with contractors, nurseries, and hardware suppliers
- Create an edible landscape

Full of helpful problem-solvers for all kinds of landscapes, Landscaping for Dummies also features sample plans, "theme" landscape ideas, and a brilliant color photo section to inspire the imagination. Accessible and informative to both beginner and expert landscapers, this is the complete guide to creating the yard you've always wanted.

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Customer Reviews

This guide is intended as a basic reference for those who want to improve their landscape. Beginning with a Wish List, the authors help gardeners achieve the yard of their dreams. Each step of the process is explained: designing a layout, building "hardscape" (paths, fences, arbors), selecting plants and trees, choosing a contractor or deciding to do the work yourself. Icons are used to point out important information. Many illustrations, checklists, a hardiness zone table, plant lists, lists of mail-order suppliers, 16 professional landscape designs, recommended readings, and online resources provide inspiration. The tone of the book is upbeat and humorous. Recommended for public libraries. (Color photographs not seen.)ANancy Lee Myers, Univ. of South Dakota Lib., Vermillion Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc.

"I was amazed at its comprehensiveness and thoroughness--you can tell that the authors really have done this stuff before." -- About.com

It seems helpful for someone with a bare lawn but for someone who has an established yard and is looking to replace existing plants and trees and shrubs it's not very helpful. I bought it hoping to learn how to revamp and mulch soil after we remove hedges from our walkway but no such luck. Other than that It's not a bad book, it has a lot of helpful tips for choosing the right kind of plants and trees for your yard. If you're looking for a serious step by step book though, of course you realize a For Dummies book is not the right one for those kinds of jobs.

product is just as described , great service

Bought this book to landscape my yard,but because im not ready i lent ot to my neighbour. He told me that this book has been a tremendous help to him and his yard looks great. it truely works for people who have zero knowledge on landscaping. i will recommend this book for all novices.

First time homeowner and I'm clueless about how to handle the yard duties. And Dummies books are always fun.

This book was a simple version of landscaping. A little to simple. Not recommended for a serious

business minded person.

Easy to read and helped with my planning for the next year for this dummy!

This book had a lot of things we were looking for, but not all of them. Would like to see a book that has more design ideas.

Very helpful.

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