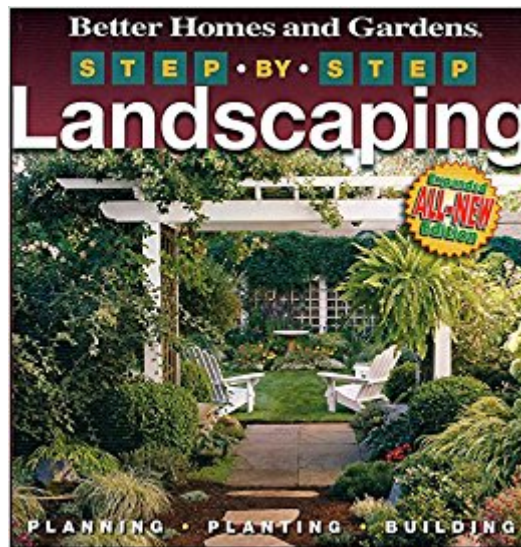




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A new edition of Better Homes and Gardens(r) best-selling landscaping book. Packed with 408 pages of all-new material from the editors of Better Homes and Gardens(r) books, this complete landscaping guide has everything you need to know transform your yard. More than 700 stunning photographs and 100 complete step-by-step projects show you how to improve grading, plant successfully, build a deck, and much more. Plus an all-new plant encyclopedia with 95 plant photos! It's everything you need to know to improve your view. Step-by-step plans for patios, edging, walls, fences, water gardens, outdoor kitchens, fireplaces, garden sculpture, and more. Cost estimate, time needed to complete, skill level, and material list included with every project. Hundreds of inspiring photographs, ideas, and plans.

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Customer Reviews

The iconic BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS brand is one of America's most trusted sources for information on cooking, gardening, home improvement, home design, decorating, and crafting. Today, the brand encompasses books, magazines, and digital media.

This wonderful book truly inspires gardeners and do-it-yourself landscapers. It is full of unusual, exciting, and achievable ideas for lawns, beds, pools, pavings, and more. The acknowledgements say that the wealth of photos and plans were submitted by many designers and the selected by Better Homes and Garden. Perhaps that partly explains the enormous variety of ideas in this book,

but anyone familiar with Better Home and Garden book will not be surprised to find so many kinds of beautiful ideas for designing outdoor spaces. A few of the great design ideas in the book are things that I have heard of before—like the importance of focal points—but many others are new, tremendously helpful concepts to me, like the advisability of dividing your space into zones. I also love the way the design ideas cover a wide spectrum, from a dramatically unusual meditative labyrinth of sedum, riverstone, and raked earth to more traditional treatments of gates, walls, fences, etc. The before and after pictures of the DIY backyard would inspire anyone, and I also particularly love the ideas for side yards, garages, and driveways, the “green ideas that work,” and above all, the way this book suggests things that I can actually achieve—building, creating, and maintaining my landscape on my own. And now I’m totally inspired to have chickens for pest control! We can have them in the city I live in an older 1950’s subdivision so I will also enjoy fresh eggs. If you found this review helpful please like. Thank you

I wanted a book on landscaping, not building gazebos and storage sheds. This one concentrates too much on big stuff like this. I wanted more info and ideas for flower beds. The few pages of ideas in it are so cluttered with plants it’s not realistic for me who want something aesthetically pleasing without having to work in the yard 40 hours a week.

Learned a lot. Worth the price.

Good Book.

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Good reference book

Having very little gardening or landscaping experience, I found this book to be a good introduction to the topic. It doesn’t go into crazy levels of detail on any particular subject, but instead gives you a good overview of what’s possible. It stresses planning, explains the importance of practical things like grading and observing the patterns of sunlight year-round, and gives you an idea of how much work is involved in things like building a deck or retaining wall or pond (helpful in deciding whether to DIY or hire a professional). There’s probably not much new in here for experienced gardeners, but

as a complete beginner, I now have some ideas about how to start planning the yard, and what subjects I should read about more in depth.

Good inspiration but, not much new for veteran gardeners / landscapers. Lots of pictures and some good ideas, but seems to be geared toward DIY'ers (with deep pockets) who may not know where to start. If that's you, this is the book to get!

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