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Western Landscaping Book: Companion To The Best-Selling Western Garden Book



Synopsis

This all-new second edition, the companion book to the much-beloved Western Garden Book, promises to be just as successful as the first. Packed with expert advice from landscape designers, gardeners, and others, it addresses climatic, soil, and topographical challenges and solutions for Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, and southwestern Canada. Features n The only landscaping guide designed specifically for Western gardeners n Over 600 photographs and dozens of ready-to-use landscape plans n Step-by-step illustrations and exploded views show easy, do-it-yourself solutions n Seasonal gardening guides and checklists ensure year-round success for experienced and novice gardeners alike n Easy-to-understand plant selection and growing instructions

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Customer Reviews

This is a very comprehensive book describing all western regions including the low and high desert, the Pacific Northwest and southern California. The book includes many landscape ideas with diagrams and suggested plant types and many plant photos. Ideas for special needs such as privacy, patio & small spaces , desert areas, swimming pools, decks, lots for shade, low water and other requirements are covered. Types of fencing and decking are also covered. If you are starting out with a bare backyard, as I am, this is the book for you!

If you get Sunset the magazine, you probably don't need this book. The book has some beautiful

pictures of varied landscape types in varied climates and some general planting suggestions (like the magazine). But, also like the magazine, unless you have \$50K-\$100K lying around, good luck pulling any of these things off. I say get the magazine because you can get the landscaping ideas, seasonally relevant planting suggestions along with some nice recipes, gardening and traveling tips.

Anytime I am tired of working on my housing projects I can look through this book and get excited again. I didn't find much useful advice or How-To in here, so if that's what you want there are much better books out there. For my purposes it is perfect: Inspiration and beautiful pictures. The info in there is OK, but don't buy it for that or you will be disappointed.

This book has some really good ideas for gardening and landscaping in the desert. Anyone who lives in the desert knows what a challenge it is to grow a beautiful garden AND be a good steward of the limited, precious resources. The only negative comment is that the garden examples are mostly from California. It would be more helpful to me if there were more examples and discussion on high desert gardening in places like Santa Fe and Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Not a lot of planting or landscaping tips in the book, but it's great for a coffee table, or flipping through to get inspired. While I realize that Western landscaping includes a variety of climates, I would have preferred more desert landscaping.

This is indeed a must-have book. Sunset consistently produces excellent gardening books. I thought I didn't need this, since I have the Western Garden Book. I was wrong. Tons of information on landscaping, materials and technical detail. Lots of inspiring photography. Worth every penny.

This is a great addition to my ever-growing book collection of excellent horticulture related material. Helpful aid to the original and also newly updated sunset book, absolutely worth every penny to have both at hand, always nearby.

Lots of great information for gardening in the Phoenix area. A lot of great photos also. Wouldn't want to be without this book. There is also a copy at the nursery where I work, and we use it almost daily to answer customer questions.

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