

Synopsis

The Basics of Permaculture Design, first published in Australia in 1996, is an excellent introduction to the principles of permaculture, design processes, and the tools needed for designing sustainable gardens, farms, and larger communities. Packed with useful tips, clear illustrations, and a wealth of experience, it guides you through designs for gardens, urban and rural properties, water harvesting systems, animal systems, permaculture in small spaces like balconies and patios, farms, schools, and ecovillages. This is both a do-it-yourself guide for the enthusiast and a useful reference for permaculture designers.

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Customer Reviews

Ross Mars does approach the subject from an assumption of complete ignorance from his readers, so he doesn't write over anyone's head- which is good, but it really seems a bit redundant to write yet another introduction to permaculture. not a bad book, but you might as well spend your money on something a little less superficial. (ie. Mollison's books; even Rosemary Morrow is a bit more thorough)

This was the ideal introduction I needed to talk some what intelligently about the back-in-vogue topic of permaculture. The book is written very well as a quick reference guide particularly considering the breadth of the subject matter.

I very much appreciated this book. What put me in a place of respect for it was its' dialogue on misconceptions and some lack of practicality that people who are attracted to permaculture approach with, and so that can be associated with permaculture. There is some thoroughness in this book and I feel it was very much worth the purchase as a designer.

Clear and concise and packed with insight. Great read for beginners and experts. Designers rejoice. This is your book of the day.

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