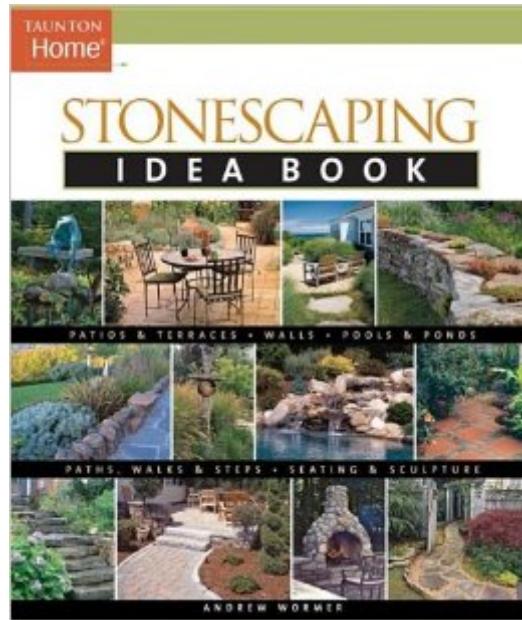


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# Stonescaping Idea Book (Taunton's Idea Book Series)



## **Synopsis**

The right kind of stone and how you incorporate it in your landscape and garden can make all the difference. Stone, a broad term that includes pavers, fieldstones, bricks, rocks and boulders, and stone veneer, can be used to create a distinct yet practical component to any yard. And with the variety of natural and manufactured stone products widely available today, incorporating stone in the landscape is no longer out of reach. "Stonescaping Idea Book" showcases a wide range of inspiring and practical ideas for using stone in all types of landscape settings and for all budgets and regions of the country. Along with tried-and-true designs for inviting walkways and beautiful walls, new ways of using stone in gardens and patio spaces are also presented. You'll discover ideas for creating graceful streams, waterfalls, or even simple fountains that will help transform your backyard into a private retreat. And you'll find a wide range of outdoor living spaces that family and friends can enjoy for years to come. As the examples in the book demonstrate, there is a world of stone to explore; this book will help get you started on the right path. Topics covered include: Patios & Terraces, Paths, Walks & Steps, Walls, Pools & Ponds, Seating & Sculpture.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book has color pictures on almost every page with almost every type of stonework imaginable. If you need ideas or just pictures of different types of stonework, this book should cover that information. Topics covered include paths and steps, terraces, patios, garden spaces, poolside spaces, dry and mortared stone walls, benches, landscaping features, sculptures, pools, ponds,

streams and waterfalls, water fountains, entryways, driveways, and borders. A nice book to own for creating an abundance of ideas, however, this is not the book you want if you are looking for step by step do it yourself instructions.

I loaned this book to my friend [we're both rockaholics] and she's having a hard time giving it back [maybe I should buy one for her]. I have acquired several books on stonescaping, building with rock, etc., this is one of the good ones, wonderful pictures too.

While this has great photospreads of some elaborate and a few simple rock and stonework pieces, it has a very broad scope and a lot of it is work that would have to be done by a mason or contracted. I was hoping for a comparison of the different types of stone used in rock work and masonry, the use of firebrick, the difference between concretes and slate, granite stone, and all I found was a paragraph on types of cobblestone not available in my area, and bricklaying patterns that are in my Sunset landscaping book. There are TWO outdoor fireplaces, and a handful of firepits and water pieces. I was hoping for multiple examples of all types of rock and stone work, I can glean about as much information out of a Sunset Magazine or Better Home and Gardens issue as was provided here. It amounts to a pretty coffee table book for someone with lots and lots of money to have someone else do the stone work for them.

I needed ideas for myself as well as my job as a landscape designer. This book is super.

Lots of good ideas but you also realize how much potential work is involved. Every form of stonework is covered both formal and informal and suggestions are given for how each would work in the landscape..

Nothing wow here, it's ok for an idea book. maybe I'm looking for more innovation, otoh it may be right for you

I got this book for my husband, who enjoys landscaping with stone. He really enjoys it, and got a lot of ideas from it.

This book has a lot of information on different aspects of stonescaping. Stonescaping goes over paths and steps with lots of good information. Then it covers terraces, patios and garden spaces.

Then it has examples of dry stone walls and mortared walls. I would like to try dry stone walls, they look real neat. Next this book covers landscaping features. Stone benches, stone bridges and sculptures. Next there are water features, pools, ponds and fountains. There are many things in this book that I want to try. This is a very good book with so many projects to do that everyone can find something to achieve. This book is highly recommended.

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