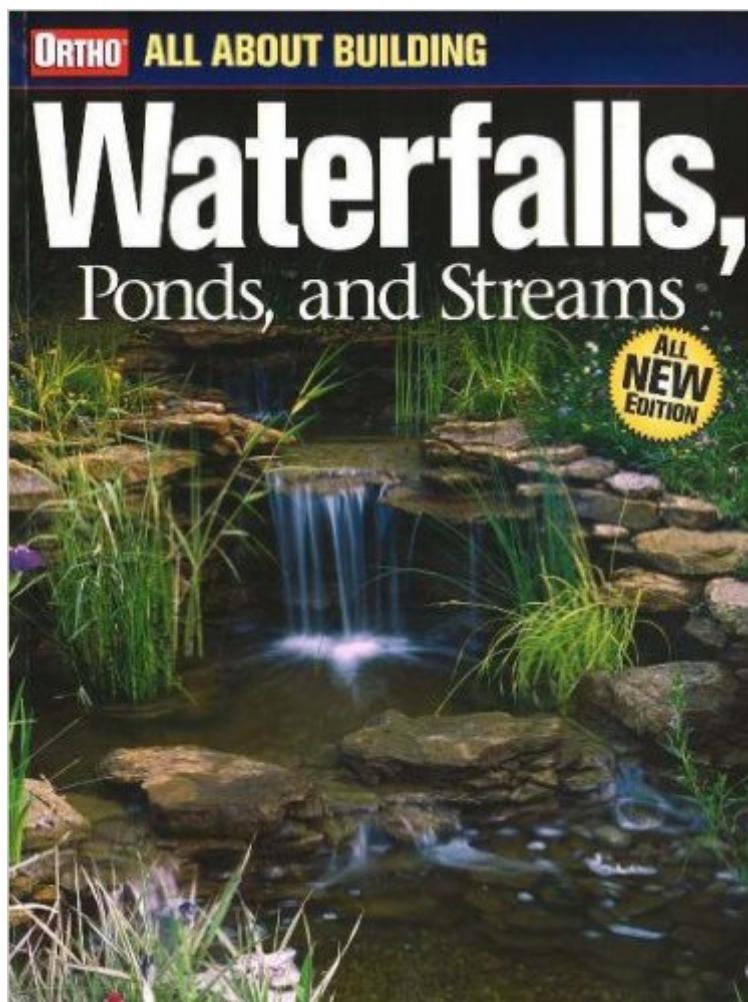


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# All About Building Waterfalls, Ponds, And Streams



## **Synopsis**

A practical, easy-to-understand guide to adding both still (ponds) and moving (waterfalls and streams) water features to any garden. Includes complete, easy-to-follow instructions on designing, establishing, and caring for a variety of eye-pleasing water projects. More than 220 vivid photographs and illustrations, plus detailed instructions, make this guide a must-have for garden enthusiasts looking to plan and build a water feature. Expert advice on selecting the right fish and plants for embellishing any backyard aquatic paradise. Solution-based format inspires homeowners to confidently create water havens in their own yards. This all-new second edition provides the very best instructions for building ponds, waterfalls, and streams.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I bought this at Home Depot, which also offers a "materials" service from the same help desk in each store that will help design a deck and print out all the needed materials. This offering appears to be "best in class." I found the following extremely helpful: 1) Up front discussion of the hardest part, creating a balanced ecosystem with balanced chemistry. If you do nothing else, let county water sit in a tub overnight to dissipate the chlorine, before putting it into a live environment. 2) Complete coverage (chapter 3) on materials and equipment. This is a lot easier than most might think, but it *\*does\** require hard work if you get much above a pre-fabricated form. Rocks are *\*heavy\** and you need a LOT of them--three times as many as you might think. 3) Superb photographs and drawings, checklists, and at the end, a list of water resources. I am struck by how

many people seem to be turning not only to waterfalls, but to full-up water gardens. While perhaps difficult to support in drought conditions, my wife and I have had a small pond for years and now want to move up to a waterfall and 4 times larger pond, and this is the book that has made that possible. If you are discouraged or do not feel up to the challenge, I do recommend a very simple water feature, just a wash-tup and one of those spouting lion heads, or the bamboo trio. For under \$100, you can get a water feature that is ready to go and plugs in, and for under \$75 you can get a world class wind-chime. Add an outdoor clay fire pot with chimney, and you have the three key ingredients: water, wind, and fire.

Good book. Pictures are good and the descriptions and details from the creation of Ponds, Streams and Waterfalls is the most complete of all the books that I have purchased or read. It could do a little better job of describing how to integrate a Bog Garden with a Pond. I still have questions about that. Overall the best of the breed.

If you're in the planning stages of building your pond, waterfall or stream, this is a great book to get. Filled with great pictures and number of great ideas, you're likely to find something that suits your plan and your yard. This book covers everything from minor water features to huge waterfalls, and formal watergardens to natural mountain streams and waterfalls. There are better books with step by step guides for when you need the details, but you can't beat this one for concepts and general plans. I've already made several modifications to my original plans thanks to the suggestions and ideas in this book. Just about every aspect of construction is addressed in this book; site selection, materials, installation, and maintenance. If you're planning any water feature, this book is a must so you can be informed of what you're in for! There is also a reference page containing 20 different pond businesses so you can surf the net to price materials and get even more ideas.

I am new to the whole pond thing. This book is great for people looking for larger more elaborate projects. I am just shooting for a 300 gallon with a small waterfall. I ended up only using like 2 sections of the book. The rest are for larger projects. Still a good read and will definitely use as a reference when we decide to upgrade.

I liked the idea pictures in this book, but ultimately the "how-to's" left me wanting for more. I didn't feel it went into enough detail of things such as, how to make the rocks look natural and how to place them on the rubber liner so they don't wash away immediately. A good idea book, though.

Awesome! I love it! The pictures are wonderful, the instructions are very detailed, and now all I need, are the supplies, (the pumps being the most expensive aspect of it all, next to the wetland plants and flowers).

Planning to build a waterfall this summer with tips from this awesome guide. It may be a little older and the pricing a little off, but the instructions and pictures are very informative and we are looking forward to referencing it in the next few months.

This was a good book in general. Lots of pictures, inspiration for your own project, very good detail about a lot of things. I was hoping for a little more depth in talking about the equipment needed to run a pond, but maybe I set my expectations too high. I was also hoping for a little more guidance about concrete ponds. All in all, thumbs up.

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