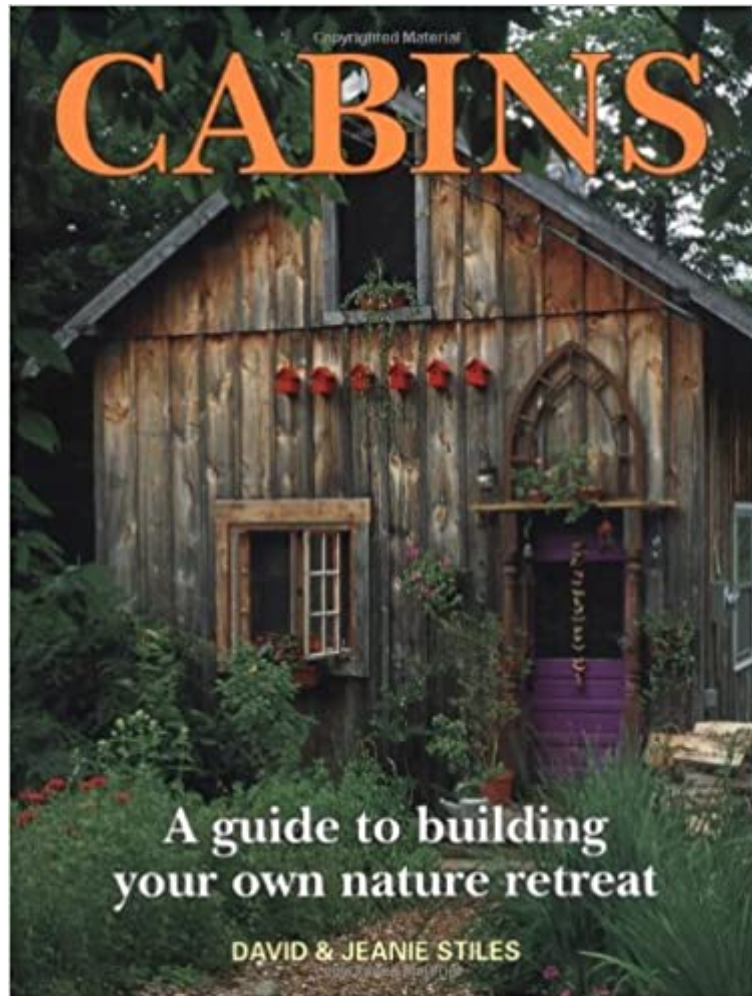


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# Cabins: A Guide To Building Your Own Nature Retreat



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"Clear, practical book ... full-color photos help do-it-yourselfers realize their dreams." -- Log Homes Illustrated The best-selling Cabins is back in print, at the same great value of its original price. This authoritative how-to title gives readers all the information they need to build their own cabin, including: A useful list of essential questions to consider during the planning process Types of cabin construction, such as pole built, stick built, post and beam, stone, cordwood, wood siding, and the advantages of each Site preparation, foundations, windows and doors, ladders and stairs, insulation, roofing, electricity, water systems and heating Essential information on log cabins Cabin designs and their advantages Furnishings and accessories Construction methods are clearly illustrated in meticulous line drawings and precise plans with measurements. Cut-away cross-sections and exploded diagrams give the builder the true perspective and detail needed to obtain the best result, allowing readers to get the most enjoyment out of their newly built wilderness retreat.

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Cabins have come a long way from the 19th-century rustic structures familiar to all school children. The Stileses, a husband-and-wife team who have collaborated on a number of woodworking titles, show how to build a cabin that reflects the builder's lifestyle; some are simple, while others contain multiple rooms and utilities. Although the authors make it look easy, the amount of work that goes into a log cabin is staggering (even small cabins require 60 or more logs that each take five to seven

hours to hew by hand). Other designs include a Japanese moon-gazing cabin, a pyramid-shaped cabin, and an A-frame cabin. A section on cabin accessories (including brief construction hints for rustic wood furniture) and a list of sources (including web addresses) completes this title. It should be part of in-depth public library collections. Copyright 2001 Reed Business Information, Inc.

[The book will] lead the clumsiest carpenter through the necessary steps to build a cozy getaway. (Annie Stoltie Adirondack Life 2002-10-15)The Stiles ... show how to build a cabin that reflects the builder's lifestyle. (Library Journal 2001-09-01)If you've ever thought of building a little retreat somewhere ... you will probably enjoy this book ... Cabins is geared to the modern homebuilder -- homes have to meet modern building codes, after all -- and examines a variety of building techniques. (New Brunswick Telegraph-Journal 2001-05-26)You'll find not only the practical issues ... but also the inspiration to help select the cabin that is perfect. (Kandis Carper Spokane Spokesman-Review 2001-05-25)An invaluable resource ... step-by-step instructions starting with basic planning. (Stacie Gentile Calgary Sun 2001-06-16)The kind of book that stirs the imagination. (Lexington Herald-Leader 2001-06-03)A primer for anyone with dreams of 'getting away from it all.' (Ted Hainworth Saskatoon Star Phoenix 2001-07-21)Clear, practical book ... full-color photos help do-it-yourselfers realize their dreams. (Log Homes Illustrated 2001-11-01)With this study of the what, when, where, and how of cabin building, anyone's yearning for the last great place can be satiated. (Patrick A. Smith ForeWord 2001-10-01)You can do it!... For tips read Cabins: A Guide to Building Your Own Nature Retreat. (Rebecca Sawyer-Fay Cottage Living 2005-04-01)

I enjoyed the book but I don't know if I can judge the accuracy of the info. I am not a builder.

This book provides you of all the knowledges you need before building your own cabin. My boyfriend and me are nervous and impatient for te starting of ours!!

If you're still in the planning stages of designing your cabin, this is a good book to give you different ideas or things to think about. It will not tell you how to build your cabin once you know what you want (although it does give you some basic instruction that may help you, depending on which type of cabin you decide to build).

I really like this book . It covers everything.It explains things that you understand them. If your a DIY . This is the book for you.

This book was very inspiring to me. Actually this is a great book if you want to build the cabins yourself. It gives many instructions on how to do. That's not my case. I'm starting the process of building a cottage by a Brazilian mountain (yes, Brazil has many mountains also!) and although I had bought many books, the final click about the floor plan came from this book.

Anyone interested in this topic should take a look and learn from this book.

Nice book. Lots of ideas for cabins and country side homes Like it. :)

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