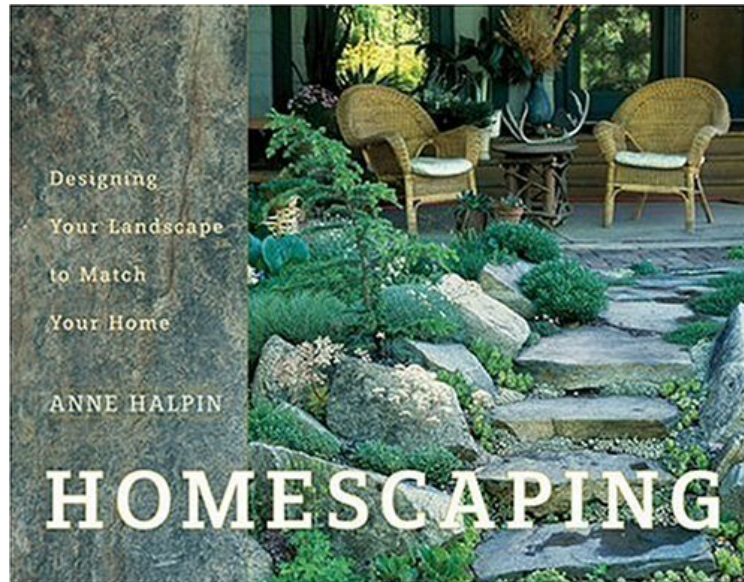


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Transform your landscape into an extension of your home with this innovative new approach to garden design and outdoor decorating-showing how to create the perfect setting for any home.Well-designed outdoor space enhances the appeal and functionality of any home by making the house look complete and seamlessly integrated into its setting. Would a woodland garden work with a stone farmhouse? Would a flagstone walkway suit a brick Colonial? This one-of-a-kind book shows how to transform outdoor space into an extension of the home by matching landscape design to house style. In Homescaping, noted garden writer Anne Halpin:o Explores different garden styles and offers guidelines on which sorts of houses each garden style suits besto Shows the way to mix and match the colors of paint and building materials with flower and plant colorso Looks at options for paths, patios, decks, walls, fences, and hedges; outdoor structures like arbors, pergolas, gazebos, and sheds; and outdoor furniture, lighting, water features, ornaments, and plant containersProviding a fresh new perspective on home improvement, Homescaping is perfect for homeowners wanting to beautifully complement their home.

From Publishers Weekly Halpin has created a practical, encouraging volume that should prove valuable to both new and well-practiced horticulturists. Her approach is straightforward: when designing your landscaping, consider your house's architectural style, color, size and location. Other elements of her advice are less conventional (Are your neighborhood's streets straight or curvy? Do you want an invigorating garden or a relaxing one? Do you want visitors to stroll through, or sit and contemplate?) but just as crucial to establishing an appealing, comfortable setting. "Plant Finders" appear throughout to aid readers in finding the perfect vine or white flower; "How to Do It" tidbits are similarly helpful to those who wish to contain impetuous bamboo, for example. Halpin, an accomplished gardener and experienced garden writer (Annuals, Perennials and Bulbs; Horticulture Gardener's Desk Reference; etc.), leaves no decorative stone unturned she offers information and recommendations on everything from lighting and selecting statuary to laying and constructing a proper garden path. Those who haven't the real estate for a garden or patio will still benefit from her discussions of "Getting the Most from Containers," and the back-of-the-book "Plant Finders" section (meant to supplement the lists that appear earlier on) will provide inspiration for denizens of any climate. 200 color photos. (Mar.) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. About the Author Well-known garden writer ANNE HALPIN has published 12 books, including The Year-Round Flower Gardener and Annuals, Perennials, and Bulbs. Numerous articles by and about her have appeared in such magazines as Horticulture, Country Gardens, Country Home, Woman's Day, and Homeowner. She resides in the Hamptons in New York.